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Questions for Answer on Monday 11 September

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Kirsty Blackman** (Aberdeen North): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what estimate he has made of how much the Government will spend on the Queen Elizabeth Memorial Committee in the (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26 financial year. (198373)
- 2 **Kirsty Blackman** (Aberdeen North): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what the projected number of full-time equivalent civil servants is that will support the work of the Queen Elizabeth Memorial Committee. (198374)
- 3 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps they are taking to help ensure that their Department (a) gives sufficient attention to long term strategic challenges, (b) does not allow current events to slow down work on long term strategic issues and (c) consistently undertakes horizon scanning. (198436)
- 4 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how much his Department spent on gym (a) facilities and (b) equipment in each of the last five financial years. (198325)
- 5 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to his Department's enabling agreement with Corporate Travel Management (North) Ltd. for the provision of public sector air capability (reference CCYZ20A01), what number of (a) club, (b) business and (c) economy seats were provided in the configuration for the A321neoLR plane wet-leased from Titan Airways between the periods (i) 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022, (ii) 4 April to 8 June 2022, and (iii) 1 October 2022 to 1 September 2023. (198326)

- 6 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, which Department has responsibility for publishing the 2022-23 annual report of the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy's; and when he expects that report to be published. (198327)
- 7 **Mr Ben Bradshaw** (Exeter): To ask the Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, with reference to Review of Lowest Income Communities and Strategic Development Funding, published in March 2022, what steps the Church Commissioners have taken to implement new governance arrangements to ensure that Lowest Incomes Communities Funding is distributed to dioceses by the Archbishops' Council is accounted for (a) effectively and (b) transparently. (198286)
- 8 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps they are taking to help ensure that their Department (a) gives sufficient attention to long term strategic challenges, (b) does not allow current events to slow down work on long term strategic issues and (c) consistently undertakes horizon scanning. (198438)
- 9 **Mark Logan** (Bolton North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what progress her Department has made on developing economic relations with the Indo-Pacific region. [Transferred] (198232)
- 10N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent assessment she has made of the adequacy of the environmental duties under the Companies Act 2006 relating to mining activities. [Transferred] (196228)
- 11 **Judith Cummins** (Bradford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of increasing SEND state school provisions in Bradford South constituency. (198348)
- 12 **Judith Cummins** (Bradford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of earmarking funding to local authorities for funding SEND school places at independent institutions. (198349)
- 13 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps they are taking to help ensure that their Department (a) gives sufficient attention to long term strategic challenges, (b) does not allow current events to slow down work on long term strategic issues and (c) consistently undertakes horizon scanning. (198439)
- 14 **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much funding her Department has allocated to (a) Sheffield and (b) Abbey Lane Primary School for the remediation of reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete (RAAC). (198384)
- 15 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure that (a) children's safeguarding, (b) social care and (c) other essential services continue in Birmingham. [Transferred] (198202)

- 16 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to ensure that universities are able to accommodate all overseas students who have (a) applied for and (b) have received confirmation of residential accommodation. (198394)
- 17 **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to improve the (a) recruitment and (b) retention of teachers in Selby and Ainsty constituency. (198453)
- 18 **Layla Moran** (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many schools are currently waiting for the results of their reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete survey to be returned as of 7 September 2023. (198467)
- 19 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps they are taking to help ensure that their Department (a) gives sufficient attention to long term strategic challenges, (b) does not allow current events to slow down work on long term strategic issues and (c) consistently undertakes horizon scanning. (198437)
- 20 **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what estimate he has made of the (a) number and (b) proportion of care recipients who are in fuel poverty in Selby and Ainsty constituency. (198456)
- 21 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will make it her policy to introduce grants for houseboat (a) owners and (b) occupiers to decarbonise their heating systems. (198356)
- 22 **Andrew Percy** (Brigg and Goole): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the oral contribution of the Minister for Energy Security and Net Zero on 30 March 2023, Official Report, column 1193, on the need to work with Drax on a bridging option between 2027 and 2030, whether she expects her Department to consult publicly on a bridging mechanism by 1 January 2024. (198385)
- 23 **Andrew Percy** (Brigg and Goole): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether her Department has had recent discussions with biomass generators on the potential merits of implementing a bridging mechanism to support generators as they transition from unabated biomass to power bioenergy and carbon capture. (198386)
- 24 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps they are taking to help ensure that their Department (a) gives sufficient attention to long term strategic challenges, (b) does not allow current events to slow down work on long term strategic issues and (c) consistently undertakes horizon scanning. (198440)

- 25N **Patricia Gibson** (North Ayrshire and Arran): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent discussions she has had with Cabinet colleagues on the potential merits of banning the import of fur. [Transferred] (198157)
- 26 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether her Department has made a recent estimate of the number of birds that are killed by onshore wind turbines in each year. (198284)
- 27 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether her Department has made a recent estimate of the number of bats that are killed by onshore wind turbines in each year. (198285)
- 28 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she has had recent discussions with (a) Natural England, (b) private sector stakeholders and (c) other organisations on the potential impact of the proposed changes to nutrient neutrality rules on private investment in nature recovery. (198383)
- 29 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many local authorities applied for funding through the air quality grant scheme in 2022. (198357)
- 30 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps she has taken to align the air quality strategy for England, published on 28 April 2023, with the Government's net zero strategy. (198361)
- 31 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent discussions she has had with local authorities on the air quality strategy for England, published on 28 April 2023. (198362)
- 32 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many local authorities applied for the air quality grant scheme in 2022. (198364)
- 33 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, which grants will be impacted by the planned £200m reduction in her Department's capital expenditure in 2024-25. (198365)
- 34 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment her Department has made of the adequacy of the (a) powers and (b) funding available to local authorities for regulating domestic wood burning. (198367)
- 35 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether her Department is taking steps to help local authorities to develop financial risk assessments for climate change related weather events. (198368)

- 36 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps her Department are taking to collaborate with (a) local authorities and (b) water companies on flood mitigation measures. (198369)
- 37 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she is taking steps to ensure that action is taken by the Environment Agency against water companies when illegal sewage discharges occur. (198370)
- 38 **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what the total (a) value and (b) number of fines issued to water companies was in each region since 2010. (198381)
- 39 **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how much and what proportion of fines issued to water companies went uncollected in each year since 2010. (198382)
- 40 **Richard Thomson** (Gordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of import checks on products arriving from the EU on (a) food prices and (b) consumers. [Transferred] (198262)
- 41 **Richard Thomson** (Gordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she has had recent discussions with industry in the (a) UK and (b) EU on the potential impact of import checks on food products arriving from the EU. [Transferred] (198263)
- 42 **Richard Thomson** (Gordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of import checks on food products arriving from the EU on (a) independent and (b) small and medium-sized (i) sandwich shops, (ii) delicatessens and (iii) grocery wholesale businesses. [Transferred] (198264)
- 43 **Richard Thomson** (Gordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment her Department has made of the impact of import checks on food products arriving from the EU on Christmas supply chains. [Transferred] (198265)
- 44 **Richard Thomson** (Gordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to improve (a) awareness of and (b) compliance with upcoming import checks on food products arriving from the EU to Great Britain among food importers in the (i) UK and (ii) EU. [Transferred] (198266)
- 45 **Richard Thomson** (Gordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to improve its communications with food importers in the (a) UK and (b) EU on upcoming import checks on food products arriving from the EU. [Transferred] (198267)

- 46 **Richard Thomson** (Gordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that (a) border inspection teams and (b) port authorities are fully-staffed ahead of the implementation of import checks on food products arriving from the EU.[Transferred] (198268)
- 47 **Richard Thomson** (Gordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to minimise the disruption of import checks on food products arriving from the EU. [Transferred] (198269)
- 48 **Richard Thomson** (Gordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that the implementation of import checks on food products arriving from the European Union to Great Britain causes minimal loss of perishable products. [Transferred] (198270)
- 49 **Richard Thomson** (Gordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that the availability of fresh food will not be affected by the implementation of import checks on food products arriving from the EU. [Transferred] (198271)
- 50 **Sir Bill Wiggin** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment she has made of the accuracy of the on-farm calculations undertaken by (a) farmers and (b) her Department of on-farm (i) carbon cycling and (ii) sequestration. (198313)
- 51 **Sir Bill Wiggin** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to page 49 of the report entitled National Food Strategy: The Evidence, published 2021, whether she has made an assessment of trends in the level of the UK's greenhouse gas footprint per kilogram of bovine meat and how this compares to other countries. (198468)
- 52 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps they are taking to help ensure that their Department (a) gives sufficient attention to long term strategic challenges, (b) does not allow current events to slow down work on long term strategic issues and (c) consistently undertakes horizon scanning. (198441)
- 53 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will review the application of the local government formula grant to rural counties. (198294)
- 54N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to help ensure that the new residential developments provide for a healthy space for the mental, physical and social health of the population. (198342)
- 55 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many civil enforcement officers were working in local authorities in (a) 2023 and (b) 2010. (198411)

- 56 **Caroline Nokes** (Romsey and Southampton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to support local communities who have a (a) village hall and (b) other community building impacted by Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete. (198347)
- 57 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, when he plans to respond to the consultation on the National Planning Policy Framework. (198358)
- 58N **Carol Monaghan** (Glasgow North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether she plans to publish a revised Digital Inclusion Strategy. [Transferred] (198196)
- 59N **Carol Monaghan** (Glasgow North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether her Department plans to increase funding for digital inclusion and skills. [Transferred] (198197)
- 60 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether her Department made a comparative assessment of the potential merits of (a) joining Horizon Europe on the new terms and (b) pursuing the Pioneer research programme. (198444)
- 61 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if she will publish any impact assessments conducted by her Department on the UK's return to the EU Horizon research programme. (198445)
- 62 **James Daly** (Bury North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much funding his Department has provided for new buses in Greater Manchester in the latest period for which data is available; and how many and what proportion of the buses that have been purchased with that funding were manufactured in the UK. (198447)
- 63 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to reduce overcrowding on rail services. (198423)
- 64 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to reduce instances of signalling equipment failures. (198424)
- 65 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of undertaking planned maintenance of the rail network(a) midweek, (b) in solid blocks of time which do not require start stop overnight repairs and (c) not on bank holiday weekends. (198425)
- 66 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to encourage the transition to greener forms of public transport. (198428)
- 67 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate he has made of the quantity of freight that was transported on the rail network in each of the last five years. (198429)

- 68 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether sanctions are applied to train operating companies that do not provide fully-accessible trains. (198432)
- 69 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has held discussions with Transport for London on delivery drivers driving with learner plates; and if he will make an estimate of the number of delivery drivers in London driving with learner plates. (198283)
- 70 **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he plans to take to support (a) vulnerable and (b) disabled passengers affected by the potential closure of railway ticket offices in Selby and Ainsty constituency. (198449)
- 71 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much funding the Government has provided to Transport for London in each of the last five years. (198353)
- 72 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will take steps with local authorities to introduce a ten-year maintenance plan for local roads. (198354)
- 73 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make it his policy to agree five-year funding settlements for local transport with local authorities. (198355)
- 74 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of adopting Hong Kong MTR Corporation's Rail plus Property (R+P) model for incentivising housing development near or over railway lines; and if he will make a statement. (198282)
- 75 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps they are taking to help ensure that their Department (a) gives sufficient attention to long term strategic challenges, (b) does not allow current events to slow down work on long term strategic issues and (c) consistently undertakes horizon scanning. (198442)
- 76 **Neale Hanvey** (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of the requirement for people to wait six months following the onset of invalidity before they can claim Attendance Allowance. (198418)
- 77 **Sir Robert Buckland** (South Swindon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of the 25 of May 2023 to Question 185279 on Health Services and with reference to Lord Markham's letter of 30 August 2023 to the Chair of the Health and Social Care Select Committee, whether the figures on the average impact across the 24 trusts involved in realising benefits through the

- Improving Elective Care Coordination for Patients Programme on (a) waiting list reduction and (b) increased efficient usage theatres are available; and if will take steps to publish that data. (198344)
- 78 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to create the nine statutory joint committees on radiotherapy; and what the process will be for creating those committees. (198462)
- 79 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help improve the experience of birthing partners (a) during and (b) immediately after labour. (198435)
- 80 **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to increase the availability of face-to-face GP appointments in Selby and Ainsty constituency. (198455)
- 81 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what his Department's timescales are for the creation of the nine statutory joint radiotherapy committees; what steps his Department is taking to create those committees; and if he will make a statement. (198463)
- 82 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps the Department has taken to monitor the potential impact of changes in NHS cancer waiting time targets in Warrington North constituency; and if he will make a statement. (198464)
- 83 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the situation of the Hazara community in Afghanistan. (198397)
- 84 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to help de-escalate the risk of violence in Afghanistan. (198398)
- 85 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had recent discussions with the UNHCR on the reunification of families in safe countries. (198399)
- 86 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she is taking steps to ensure that people from Hazara communities are able to access the Afghan citizens resettlement scheme. (198400)
- 87 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of reports of recent attacks on churches in Jaranwala in Pakistan. (198419)

- 88 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to protect Christians accused of (a) blasphemy and (b) other acts from (i) mob violence and (ii) extrajudicial killing in Pakistan. (198420)
- 89 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much his Department spent on gym (a) facilities and (b) equipment in each of the last five financial years. (198324)
- 90 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she plans to take steps to prevent the appearance of pop-up knife advertisements on social media. [Transferred] (198110)
- 91 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people whose asylum claims were withdrawn in the year ending June 2023 have (a) left the UK, (b) regularised their immigration status and (c) remained in the UK without any status. (198336)
- 92 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people have had their asylum claim withdrawn because they did not complete the Streamlined Asylum Process questionnaire. (198337)
- 93 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many asylum claims withdrawn between June 2022 and June 2023 have been reinstated. (198338)
- 94 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department have taken to (a) support people who have had their asylum claim withdrawn and (b) ensure that people who have had their asylum claims withdrawn do not become victims of (i) exploitation and (ii) modern slavery. (198387)
- 95 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many subscribers to the Student premium customer service for sponsors made representations to her Department opposing planned changes to the service between 1 January and 7 September 2023. (198406)
- 96 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether the ongoing Ofcom investigation into Royal Mail's compliance with its quality-of-service performance targets in 2022-23 was relevant to the decision to award Royal Mail the contract to collect and deliver passports and travel documents; and if she will make a statement. (198404)
- 97 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many family reunion applications have not been completed by her Department within (a) the 60 day service standard, (b) six months and (c) one year. (198405)

- 98 **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to tackle street crime against women and girls in Selby and Ainsty constituency. (198457)
- 99 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she is taking steps to provide support to victims of marriage fraud in the UK by foreign nationals to help them obtain (a) a residence permit and (b) money. (198297)
- 100 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 25 April 2023 to Question 181192 on Military Bases: Concrete, how much his Department has spent conducting surveys of buildings on the Defence Estate containing RAAC. (198290)
- 101 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when his Department was first informed that (a) Ministry of Defence funded boarding schools and (b) schools run by the Defence Children's Services contained buildings constructed using reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete. (198293)
- 102 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department had conducted a survey of the Queen Victoria boarding school to detect the presence of reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete in the last 12 months. (198298)
- 103 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department is aware of reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete being present in any of his Department's boarding schools other than the Queen Victoria School. (198299)
- 104 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has instructed any school (a) funded by his department and (b) ran by the Defence Children's Services to conduct a survey of its buildings to identify the presence of reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete. (198300)
- 105 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many buildings in the Queen Victoria boarding school have been identified as at risk of collapse due to reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete. (198301)
- 106 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many aircraft will be included in the New Medium Helicopter programme. (198302)
- 107 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when his Department intends to release a tender to procure the New Medium Helicopter. (198303)
- 108 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what is the current out of service date for the Puma helicopter? (198304)

- 109 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department is taking to incorporate the UK steel charter into its procurement strategy; and if he will make a statement. (198305)
- 110 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department has taken steps to advertise defence procurement opportunities to UK steelmakers; and whether his Department places any obligations on its contractors to do the same. (198306)
- 111 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department uses British steel standards when detailing steel requirements for its projects. (198307)
- 112 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department has appointed a supply chain champion to management engagement with the domestic steel sector. (198308)
- 113 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he requires all steel products procured by his Department to be accredited to (a) BES 6001 and (b) BS 8666 standard. (198309)
- 114 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department considers the use of steel produced in the UK when awarding public procurement contracts. (198310)
- 115 **Adam Holloway** (Gravesham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many former members of Commando Force 333 are in the UK. [Transferred] (198066)
- 116 **Adam Holloway** (Gravesham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many former members of Commando Force 333 remain in Afghanistan. [Transferred] (198067)
- 117 **Adam Holloway** (Gravesham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the extent of the UK's responsibility for the security of former members of Commando Force 333. [Transferred] (198068)
- 118 **Adam Holloway** (Gravesham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has plans to support former members of Commando Force 333. [Transferred] (198069)
- 119 **Adam Holloway** (Gravesham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what estimate he has made of how many former members of Commando Force 333 have died since the fall of Kabul. [Transferred] (198070)
- 120 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 122 of his Department's annual report and accounts for 2022-23, how many of the special payments reported for financial year 2022-23 were payments made under the (a) Common Law Compensation Scheme, (b) Armed Forces Compensation Scheme and (c) War Pensions Scheme. (198315)

- 121 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 122 of his Department's annual report and accounts for 2022-23, how much of the £114.53 million in special payments reported for financial year 2022-23, was made under the (a) Common Law Compensation Scheme, (b) Armed Forces Compensation Scheme and (c) War Pensions Scheme. (198316)
- 122 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 122 of his Department's annual report and accounts for 2022-23, how many of the special payments reported for financial year 2022-23 were made to (a) service personnel and (b) other individuals affected by defence activities. (198317)
- 123 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 122 of his Department's annual report and accounts for 2022-23, how much of the £114.53 million in special payments reported for financial year 2022-23 consisted of payments made to (a) service personnel or (b) other individuals affected by defence activities. (198318)
- 124 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, for what reason the cost of compensation payments reported on page 122 of his Department's Annual Report and Accounts 2022-23, published in July 2023, is lower than the costs for common law compensation claims for each of the financial years from 2017-18 to 2021-22 in the MOD common law compensation claims statistics published in December 2022. (198319)
- 125 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether he is taking steps to simplify the process for parents of disabled children to access child trust fund accounts when their children turn eighteen. [Transferred] (198046)
- 126 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 18 July 2023 to Question 193876 on Ipsos Mori, between which dates the Value of Prison survey was conducted online; and whether the results of that survey have been reported to his office. (198320)
- 127 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many individuals were (a) prosecuted and (b) convicted of offences relating to procurement fraud against (i) private sector companies and (ii) public sector organisations in each of the last four financial years. (198321)
- 128 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many people were (a) prosecuted and (b) convicted of offences relating to payroll fraud against (i) private sector companies and (ii) public sector organisations in each of the last four financial years. (198322)
- 129 **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will take steps to make War Widows Recognition Payments tax exempt. [Transferred] (198173)

- 130 **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether his Department is taking steps to help secure free access to cash withdrawals and deposit facilities in Selby and Ainsty constituency. (198458)
- 131 **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of bank closures on the financial vulnerability of people in Selby and Ainsty constituency. (198459)
- 132 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much his Department spent on gym (a) facilities and (b) equipment in each of the last five financial years. (198323)
- 133 **Dr Jamie Wallis** (Bridgend): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of expanding research and development tax relief to include capital equipment relating to industrial decarbonisation. (198407)
- 134 **Dr Jamie Wallis** (Bridgend): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of introducing a Help to Grow Green scheme for businesses. (198408)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 12 September

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Imran Hussain** (Bradford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 6 September 2023 to Question 196273 on Fireworks: Licensing, if she will publish a list of the (a) organisations and (b) stakeholders her Department has met with to (i) listen to and (ii) understand their views on inconsiderate use of fireworks between 2019 and 2023. (198392)
- 2N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department plans to take to support (a) higher and (b) further education institutions with reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete (RAAC) in their buildings. (198393)
- 3N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a hosting scheme for overseas university students for when they first arrive in the UK. (198395)
- 4N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will hold discussions with Ofgem on the process for reviewing customer credit balances every six months and avoiding large build-ups of credit. (198311)

- 5N **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many petrol retailers have joined the Competition and Markets Authority's interim voluntary fuel price data scheme. (198403)
- 6N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to her Department's press release of 3 July 2023 entitled Tighter limit on industrial, power and aviation emissions, as UK leads the way to net zero, what advice her Department (a) sought and (b) received on (i) the UK Emissions Trading Scheme cap and (ii) allowances available to the market from relevant stakeholders prior to that announcement. (198329)
- 7N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to her Department's press release of 3 July 2023 entitled Tighter limit on industrial, power and aviation emissions, as the UK leads the way to net zero, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of changes to the number of Emissions Trading Scheme allowances available to the market on (a) the carbon price, (b) likelihood of meeting de-carbonisation targets and (c) future trade with the EU. (198330)
- 8N **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent assessment she has made of whether the oil and gas sector will meeting its targets under the North Sea Transition Deal. (198350)
- 9N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if she will make an estimate of the number of gas boilers that have been taken out of service since the launch of the heat pump subsidy scheme. (198295)
- 10N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the Government response to the consultation on Introducing a Deposit Return Scheme for drinks containers in England, Wales and Northern Ireland, published on 20 January 2023, when she plans to publish the deposit return scheme regulations. (198331)
- 11N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate she has made of the number of fines issued to water companies by the Environment Agency in each year since 2010. (198378)
- 12N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate she has made of the total sums collected in fines to water companies by the Environment Agency in each year since 2010. (198379)
- 13N **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will publish all correspondence between Natural England and his Department from 1 May 2023 to 31 August 2023 on changes to regulations on nutrient neutrality and the delivery of new homes; and if he will make a statement. (198372)

- 14N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has had recent discussions with the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators on reciprocal licence exchange arrangements. (198296)
- 15N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answers to Questions 193235 and 194771 on Railways: Tickets, on which date the meeting where Ministers met stakeholders to discuss closing the majority of ticket offices in England took place; who attended that meeting; and whether the proposal to close the majority of ticket offices was first raised by (a) Ministers or (b) stakeholders. (198421)
- 16N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of the monitoring of occupational psychological fitness of train drivers. (198427)
- 17N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to adapt the rail network to take account of (a) long-term changes in weather patterns and (b) increased incidences of extreme weather. (198430)
- 18N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 7 September to Question 197409, how many and what proportion of the violence against the person offences recorded in (a) 2021-22 and (b) 2022-23 were committed against women. (198314)
- 19N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure that children and young people living with PANS and PANDAS receive effective, patient-centred care. (198351)
- 20N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has shared recommendations from the Getting It Right First Time Rheumatology with devolved institutions. (198312)
- 21N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when the former Chief Executive at the Countess of Chester Hospital, Tony Chambers, was last employed by (a) the NHS and (b) an organisation overseen by his Department. (198434)
- 22N **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 22 June 2023 to Question 190126 on Hospitals: Discharges, when his Department plans to allocate funding from the 2023-34 Discharge Fund. (198328)
- 23N **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of patients in community hospitals had their discharges delayed since January 2023. (198332)

- 24N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of requiring care homes to provide (a) residents and (b) family members of residents of care homes with access to a second opinion on clinical care decisions if they raise concerns about a proposed decision. (198343)
- 25N **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer to Question 195463 on Dental Services: Cornwall, how much of the £4,562,496 recovered from dentists in Cornwall in 2021-22 is (a) available and (b) allocated for financial year 2023-24. (198352)
- 26N **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of units of dental activity under NHS dental contracts were handed back to NHS England in Cornwall in financial year 2021-22. (198409)
- 27N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has received the report of the Equity in medical devices: independent review into equity in medical devices. (198335)
- 28N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhese** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to his visit to China in August 2023, whether he discussed freedom of navigation in the South China Sea with Chinese officials. (198443)
- 29N **Tim Loughton** (East Worthing and Shoreham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the recent attacks on the border between Azerbaijan and Armenia. (198281)
- 30N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will take steps to increase the share of funding allocated to the Global Fund to treat tuberculosis. (198388)
- 31N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will publish a WHO Multisectoral Accountability Framework for TB following the UN High-level Meeting on the fight against tuberculosis on 22 September 2023. (198389)
- 32N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with his G7 counterparts on the content of the political declaration for the UN High-level Meeting on the fight against tuberculosis on 22 September 2023. (198390)
- 33N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department plans to take to support the (a) engagement and (b) attendance of civil society groups at the UN High-level Meeting on the fight against tuberculosis on 22 September 2023. (198391)

- 34N **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, the total sum of assets frozen under the Myanmar sanctions regime. (198402)
- 35N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will consider the potential merits of making non-student visas available to women and girls from Afghanistan who wish to study in the UK and are unable to travel here on a student visa. (198396)
- 36N **Jessica Morden** (Newport East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of applications to the Voluntary Returns Service were processed in each month between January 2021 and July 2023. (198333)
- 37N **Jessica Morden** (Newport East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of applicants that were eligible for the Streamlined Asylum Processing Questionnaire returned their application within 30 working days in each month since its introduction. (198334)
- 38N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 25 April 2023 to Question 181192 on Military Bases: Concrete, whether the surveys to identify buildings constructed with reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete have been completed. (198287)
- 39N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 25 April 2023 to Question 181192 on Military Bases: Concrete, how many surveys were conducted to identify buildings on the Defence Estate containing reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete. (198288)
- 40N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when the first building on the Defence Estate identified as being constructed using RAAC was first so identified by his Department. (198289)
- 41N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when Ministers in his Department were informed that buildings of the Queen Victoria boarding school were constructed with RAAC. (198291)
- 42N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when officials in his Department learned that the Queen Victoria boarding school had buildings constructed with reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete. (198292)
- 43N **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether it remains his Department's policy to procure up to 44 new aircraft under the New Medium Helicopter programme. (198339)
- 44N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many and what proportion of prison officers at Wandsworth Prison attended their shift on 6 September 2023. (198412)

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- 45N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many prisoners were held at Wandsworth Prison on 6 September 2023. (198413)
- 46N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of security arrangements at Wandsworth Prison. (198414)
- 47N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many and what proportion of prison officers at Wandsworth Prison attended their shift on the last day of each month since September 2022. (198415)
- 48N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many and what proportion of shift slots at Wandsworth Prison were unfilled on 6 September 2023. (198416)
- 49N **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, when his Department plans to respond to correspondence of (a) 7 July 2023 and (b) 8 August 2023 from the hon. Member for Bolton South East, case reference YQ28262. (198366)
- 50N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 18 July to Question 193069 on Treasury: Deltapoll, on how many occasions between (a) 19-31 July 2022, (b) 1-31 August 2022, (c) 1-30 September 2022, (d) 1-31 October 2022, (e) 1-30 November 2022, (f) 1-31 December 2022, (g) 1-31 January 2023, (h) 1-28 February 2023, (i) 1-31 March 2023, (j) 1-30 April 2023, (k) 1-31 May 2023, (l) 1-30 June 2023, (m) 1-31 July 2023, and (n) 1-31 August 2023, was online polling activity carried out upon instruction from his Department; and which company was responsible for carrying out each online poll. (198340)
- 51N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 18 July 2023 to Question 193068 on Treasury: Deltapoll, how times between (a) 18 and 31 July 2022, (b) 1 and 31 August 2022, (c) 1 and 30 September 2022, (d) 1 and 31 October 2022, (e) 1 and 30 November 2022, (f) 1 and 31 December 2022, (g) 1 and 31 January 2023, (h) 1 and 28 February 2023, (i) 1 and 31 March 2023, (j) 1 and 30 April 2023, (k) 1 and 31 May 2023, (l) 1 and 30 June 2023, (m) 1 and 31 July 2023 and (n) 1 and 31 August 2023 focus group activity was carried out upon instruction from his Department by which company. (198341)
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Questions for Answer on Wednesday 13 September

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Layla Moran** (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many schools in England and Wales have (a) submitted and (b) been returned the results of Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete surveys. (198465)
- 2N **Layla Moran** (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the average number of days is for her Department to process and return a school's RAAC survey. (198466)
- 3N **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to reduce the risk of flooding in North Yorkshire. (198452)
- 4N **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment his Department has made of trends in the prevalence of damp and mould in social housing in (a) Selby and Ainsty constituency and (b) North Yorkshire. (198454)
- 5N **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to reduce waiting times for driving tests in (a) Plymouth, (b) the South West and (c) England. (198460)
- 6N **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent assessment he has regarding made of the adequacy of the availability of driving tests in England. (198461)
- 7N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, in the context of married women who reach state pension age prior to 6th April 2016, whether it is his Department's policy for a woman who draws a category A state pension prior to her husband reaching pension age and who is widowed after her husband reaches pension age and draws his pension should be automatically assessed at the point of being widowed for a backdated category BL pension in the case where her category A pension is lower than the Category BL rate; and whether a woman over pension age with no entitlement to a category A state pension, and who is widowed after her husband reaches pension age and draws his pension should automatically be assessed at the point of being widowed for a deferred Category BL pension, with her date of claim treated as the date when her late husband first drew his pension. (198410)
- 8N **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the average waiting time was for a Work Capability Assessment in Selby and Ainsty constituency in the latest period for which data is available. (198450)
- 9N **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help increase access to NHS dentistry in Selby and Ainsty constituency. (198448)

- 10N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what information his Department holds on the number of residential care homes constructed with reinforced autoclave aerated concrete. [Transferred] (198258)
- 11N **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 17 July 2023 to Question 193665 on Health Professions: English Language, what the (a) pass and (b) fail rate was for the Occupational English Test in the latest period for which data is available. (198446)
- 12N **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the total cost was of refurbishments to his Department's offices at 39 Victoria Street in the last 12 months; and what the procurement references were for these refurbishments. (198375)
- 13N **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many NHS staff left the health service by job role in the last 12 months. (198376)
- 14N **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many retired NHS staff returned to work in the NHS in each of the last five years. (198377)
- 15N **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he had discussions with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on the potential merits of including the seven hospitals most affected by reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete in the New Hospitals Programme at the time the initial list of hospitals was drawn up in 2020. (198380)
- 16N **Dr Philippa Whitford** (Central Ayrshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he is taking steps with his international counterparts to include older people from developing countries in consultations on the development of Universal Health Coverage in low and middle-income countries. (198401)
- 17N **Stephen Kinnock** (Aberavon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the press release, UK and Türkiye strengthen partnership to help tackle illegal migration, published on 9 August 2023, what the total amount of financial support is which the Government plans to provide to Türkiye for the purposes of implementing any plans set out in an agreement between the UK and Türkiye. (198345)
- 18N **Stephen Kinnock** (Aberavon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to her Department's press release entitled UK and Türkiye strengthen partnership to help tackle illegal migration, published 9 August 2023, whether her Department has reached an agreement on a framework for the return of failed asylum seekers of (a) Turkish or (b) any other nationality from the UK to Türkiye. (198346)

- 19N **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to tackle anti-social behaviour in Selby and Ainsty constituency. (198451)
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Oral Questions to the Prime Minister

- 1 **Chris Law** (Dundee West): If he will list his official engagements for Wednesday 13 September. (906398)
 - 2 **Nicola Richards** (West Bromwich East): (906399)
 - 3 **Ashley Dalton** (West Lancashire): (906400)
 - 4 **Andrew Jones** (Harrogate and Knaresborough): (906401)
 - 5 **Caroline Ansell** (Eastbourne): (906402)
 - 6 **Chris Green** (Bolton West): (906403)
 - 7 **Saqib Bhatti** (Meriden): (906404)
 - 8 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): (906405)
 - 9 **Stephen Hammond** (Wimbledon): (906406)
 - 10 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): (906407)
 - 11 **Michael Fabricant** (Lichfield): What recent assessment he has made of the economic outlook for the West Midlands. (906408)
 - 12 **Kevin Foster** (Torbay): (906409)
 - 13 **Philip Davies** (Shipley): (906410)
 - 14 **Brendan Clarke-Smith** (Bassetlaw): (906411)
 - 15 **Richard Graham** (Gloucester): (906412)
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Questions for Answer on Thursday 14 September

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Carol Monaghan** (Glasgow North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if he will take steps to encourage Departments to donate electronic devices that are no longer in use the National Device Bank. (198371)
- 2N **Neale Hanvey** (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether his Department plans to exempt people in receipt of Attendance Allowance from vehicle excise duty. (198417)

- 3N **Neale Hanvey** (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many and what proportion of people claim (a) Attendance Allowance, (b) Personal Independence Payment and (c) Universal Credit in (i) each parliamentary constituency, (ii) the UK, (iii) Great Britain, (iv) England, (v) Scotland and (vi) North Ireland. (198422)
- 4N **Neale Hanvey** (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to increase the efficiency of the process of applying for and receiving a Blue Badge. (198426)
- 5N **Neale Hanvey** (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether his Department has issued guidance to people affected by the transition from Attendance Allowance to Pension Age Disability Payment delivered by the Scottish Government. (198431)
- 6N **Neale Hanvey** (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, when he next plans to hold discussions with his counterpart in the Scottish government on the process for transferring responsibility for Attendance Allowance to the Scottish government. (198433)
- 7N **Carol Monaghan** (Glasgow North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether he has made a recent assessment of the potential merits of increasing the length of time for which paternity pay is awarded from two to four weeks. (198359)
- 8N **Carol Monaghan** (Glasgow North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment he has made of the potential merits of increasing the level of paternity pay. (198360)
- 9N **Carol Monaghan** (Glasgow North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of increasing (a) the length of time for which paternity pay is awarded and (b) the level of paternity pay when the mother is not working. (198363)

Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Business and Trade

- 1 **Mr Alistair Carmichael** (Orkney and Shetland): What recent assessment she has made with Cabinet colleagues of the adequacy of business preparedness for future controls on the import of (a) food and (b) fresh products from the EU. (906363)
- 2 **Jon Trickett** (Hemsworth): What assessment she has made of the adequacy of her Department's implementation of policies supporting levelling up. (906364)
- 3 **Holly Mumby-Croft** (Scunthorpe): What steps her Department is taking to support the steel industry. (906365)
- 4 **Mark Fletcher** (Bolsover): What steps her Department is taking to support business exports. (906366)

- 5 **Peter Aldous** (Waveney): What steps her Department is taking to support the shipbuilding sector. (906367)
- 6 **Andrea Leadsom** (South Northamptonshire): What steps she is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help increase international investment in Northern Ireland. (906368)
- 7 **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): What recent assessment she has made with Cabinet colleagues of the adequacy of business preparedness for future controls on the import of (a) food and (b) fresh products from the EU. (906369)
- 8 **Mrs Sheryll Murray** (South East Cornwall): What steps her Department is taking to support the green industry. (906370)
- 9 **Theresa Villiers** (Chipping Barnet): What recent progress she has made on regulatory reform. (906371)
- 10 **Andrew Selous** (South West Bedfordshire): What steps her Department is taking to support business exports. (906372)
- 11 **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): What recent discussions she has had with (a) NGOs and (b) charities on the inclusion of human rights considerations in trade negotiations. (906373)
- 12 **Virginia Crosbie** (Ynys Môn): What steps her Department is taking to support business exports. (906374)
- 13 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): What steps her Department is taking to help increase trade with the US. (906375)
- 14 **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): What recent assessment she has made of the impact of her trade policies on the cost of food. (906376)
- 15 **John McDonnell** (Hayes and Harlington): What plans she has for accession to the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership. (906377)
- 16 **Michael Fabricant** (Lichfield): What steps her Department is taking to support business exports to the US. (906378)
- 17 **Paul Maynard** (Blackpool North and Cleveleys): What assessment she has made of the potential merits of strengthening consumer rights for airline passengers. (906379)
- 18 **Andrew Jones** (Harrogate and Knaresborough): What steps her Department is taking to support business exports. (906380)
- 19 **Jeff Smith** (Manchester, Withington): What steps she is taking to increase trade with European countries. (906381)
- 20 **James Daly** (Bury North): What steps her Department is taking to help reduce barriers to international trade for the wine industry. (906382)
- 21 **Priti Patel** (Witham): What steps she is taking to support businesses in Essex to increase exports. (906383)

- 22 **Deidre Brock** (Edinburgh North and Leith): Whether she has had recent discussions with (a) Cabinet colleagues and (b) the Scottish Government on support for Scotland's hospitality sector. (906384)
- 23 **Jonathan Edwards** (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): Whether she has had discussions with courier services on deliveries to isolated rural areas. (906385)
- 24 **Joanna Cherry** (Edinburgh South West): What recent discussions she has had with Cabinet colleagues on the impact of fraud on businesses. (906386)
- 25 **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): What recent assessment she has made of the potential impact of fire and rehire practices on the labour market. (906387)

Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Business and Trade

- T1 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): If she will make a statement on her departmental responsibilities. (906388)
- T2 **Andrea Leadsom** (South Northamptonshire): (906389)
- T3 **Deidre Brock** (Edinburgh North and Leith): (906390)
- T4 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): (906391)
- T5 **Judith Cummins** (Bradford South): (906392)
- T6 **Ms Anum Qaisar** (Airdrie and Shotts): (906393)
- T7 **Suzanne Webb** (Stourbridge): (906394)
- T8 **Gavin Newlands** (Paisley and Renfrewshire North): (906395)
- T9 **Jeff Smith** (Manchester, Withington): (906396)
- T10 **Simon Baynes** (Clwyd South): (906397)