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Questions tabled on Thursday 14 September 2023

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Questions for Answer on Monday 18 September

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, which Minister in their Department is responsible for overseeing work on long-term strategic challenges; and how many officials in their Department (a) undertake horizon scanning work and (b) focus on delivering long-term priorities.
(199619)
- 2 **Sir David Evennett** (Bexleyheath and Crayford): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many recorded incidents of violent crime there have been in (a) Bexleyheath and Crayford constituency, (b) Bexley Borough and (c) South East London in each of the last five years.
[Transferred] (199289)
- 3 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of the London Ultra-Low Emission Zone expansion on the cost of non-compliant Government vehicles travelling in London.
(199536)
- 4 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how much funding his Department has requested from the Exchequer for next year's Conflict, Security and Stability Fund allocation.
(199574)
- 5 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, which Minister in their Department is responsible for overseeing work on long-term strategic challenges; and how many officials in their Department (a) undertake horizon scanning work and (b) focus on delivering long-term priorities.
(199620)

- 6 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how much from the public purse was spent on travel for UK trade envoys to nations on the African continent in each of the last five years. [Transferred] (199445)
- 7 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will hold discussions with industry representatives on the potential merits of bringing forward proposals to establish security standards for bike locks. (199651)
- 8 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she has had recent discussions with (a) the Premier League and (b) TV broadcasters on the proportion of Premier League games that are available to watch by (i) English and (ii) overseas audiences. (199605)
- 9 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, which Minister in their Department is responsible for overseeing work on long-term strategic challenges; and how many officials in their Department (a) undertake horizon scanning work and (b) focus on delivering long-term priorities. (199617)
- 10N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she has made an assessment of the potential impact on the health of people under the age of 18 of having access to free sports facilities for at least two hours a week. (199597)
- 11 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of support for children of people in prison. [Transferred] (199341)
- 12 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of support given by local authorities for children who have a parent in prison. [Transferred] (199342)
- 13 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment she has made of the adequacy of the support given by local authority social services departments to children who have a parent in prison. [Transferred] (199343)
- 14N **Thangam Debbonaire** (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of trends in entries for art and design GCSEs and A-levels on the future ability of creative industries to recruit skilled staff. [Transferred] (199115)
- 15 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, which Minister in their Department is responsible for overseeing work on long-term strategic challenges; and how many officials in their Department (a) undertake horizon scanning work and (b) focus on delivering long-term priorities. (199621)

- 16 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made an assessment of the adequacy of the allocation of gross dedicated schools grant funding for (a) each local authority and (b) York. (199598)
- 17 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of the level of high needs block funding on educational outcomes for children with SEND. (199599)
- 18 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made a comparative assessment of the impact (a) price and (b) wage inflation on school budgets for schools (i) in and (ii) outside the f40 network. (199601)
- 19 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department plans to take to help schools support children in disadvantaged circumstances in the North of England. (199591)
- 20 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to tackle potential regional disparities in school absence rates. (199592)
- 21 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate her Department has made of the cost to schools of ransomware attacks in each of the last three years. (199595)
- 22 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate she has made of the number and proportion of state-funded schools that are suspected to contain reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete that have not yet been surveyed. (199665)
- 23 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent estimate she has made of when all state-funded schools that are suspected to contain reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete will have been surveyed. (199666)
- 24 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has had recent discussions with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on providing funding additional to her Department's capital budget to support the implementation of the guidance on reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete in education settings, published on 31 August 2023. (199668)
- 25 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent estimate her Department has made of the cost to the public purse of mitigating against the presence of reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete across the entire school estate. (199669)
- 26 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the average waiting time is between a school informing her Department of suspected reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete in its buildings and a surveyor appointed by her Department visiting the school. (199670)

- 27 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what is the expected cost to the public purse of Government-funded net-zero innovation projects in financial year 2024-25.
[Transferred] (199410)
- 28 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, which Minister in their Department is responsible for overseeing work on long-term strategic challenges; and how many officials in their Department (a) undertake horizon scanning work and (b) focus on delivering long-term priorities.
(199618)
- 29 **Neale Hanvey** (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the oral evidence of the Minister for Energy and Climate to the Scottish Affairs Committee's inquiry into Hydrogen and carbon capture in Scotland, HC 83 Q258, on 16 January 2023, across which financial years the £40 million of Government expenditure on the Scottish cluster for carbon capture utilisation and storage was allocated; and how much funding was provided in each of those financial years.
(199686)
- 30 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether She has made an estimate of the quantity of aviation fuel used by aircraft registered in the UK in each of the last five years.
[Transferred] (199496)
- 31 **Miriam Cates** (Penistone and Stocksbridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 12 September 2023 to Question 197914, whether she plans to extend eligibility for the Animal Health and Welfare Pathway in the future beyond the species currently included.
(199676)
- 32 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how much funding her Department provided to peat restoration projects in the latest period for which data is available.
(199608)
- 33 **Dave Doogan** (Angus): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when she plans to introduce secondary legislation to implement the due diligence provisions for illegal deforestation of the Environment Act 2021.
(199662)
- 34 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing funding for all fire safety remediation up-front on a full building basis and recovering costs at a later date from any responsible parties on residents living within buildings requiring remediation work.
(199681)
- 35N **Julie Elliott** (Sunderland Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what percentage of eligible British Citizens living overseas submitted a successful application to register to vote in each of the last five years.
[Transferred] (199382)

- 36 **Ben Everitt** (Milton Keynes North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the adequacy of Local Housing Allowance for local authorities to prevent homelessness. (199677)
- 37 **Sir Brandon Lewis** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what recent progress he has made on a devolution deal for Norfolk. (199566)
- 38 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that facilities for people with disabilities in public buildings are kept in adequate condition. (199544)
- 39 **Duncan Baker** (North Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if she will have discussions with Cabinet colleagues on the potential merits of supporting care homes that are transitioning to ultra-fast fibre broadband and facing potentially expensive (a) subscriptions and (b) hardware purchases. (199689)
- 40 **Duncan Baker** (North Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of maintaining a connection to (a) copper wires and (b) a suitable alternative in rural communities to allow residents to make emergency calls, what assessment she has made on the need to maintain a connection to either copper wires or a suitable alternative in rural communities during the installation of fibre cables to allow residents to still make emergency calls if required. (199691)
- 41 **Kevin Brennan** (Cardiff West): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether she plans to invite representatives from creative industries to the London AI Summit. (199545)
- 42 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what estimate her Department has made of the number of ransomware attacks on (a) schools and (b) other educational settings in each local authority in each of the last three years. (199579)
- 43 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to his Answer of 13 September 2023 to Oral Question 906407 from the Member for St Albans, whether the Government plans to accept the recommendations of the Climate Change Committee that there should be no further airport expansion until a capacity management framework is in place. [Transferred] (199520)
- 44 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make it his policy to roll out artificial intelligence cameras to help detect motorists who use their mobile phone whilst driving. (199690)

- 45N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether representatives of the Government were invited to attend the meeting of the UN Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in Geneva on 28 August 2023. [Transferred] (199106)
- 46 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to reduce waiting times for NHS treatment in (a) Liverpool, Walton constituency and (b) England. (199631)
- 47 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of the projects funded through the New Hospital Programme are under construction. (199632)
- 48 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve patient access to primary care in (a) Liverpool, Walton and (b) England. (199633)
- 49 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve waiting times for cancer treatment in (a) Liverpool, Walton constituency and (b) England. (199634)
- 50 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve access to mental health services in (a) Liverpool, Walton constituency and (b) England. (199635)
- 51 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve healthcare for women in (a) Liverpool, Walton constituency and (b) England. (199682)
- 52 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help tackle health inequalities. (199683)
- 53 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help increase staff (a) recruitment and (b) retention in the adult social care sector. (199684)
- 54 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the percentage uptake of Healthy Start Scheme vouchers is as of 12 September 2023 in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London. [Transferred] (199480)
- 55 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department is taking steps to improve NHS guidance on the characterisation of symptoms associated with haemochromatosis. (199606)
- 56 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the uptake was of the Healthy Start scheme in each of the last 10 years. (199610)

- 57 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, which Minister in their Department is responsible for overseeing work on long-term strategic challenges; and how many officials in their Department (a) undertake horizon scanning work and (b) focus on delivering long-term priorities. (199613)
- 58 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of reviewing prescribing guidelines for sodium valproate to help ensure that babies of men and women do not experience disability due to that medication. (199693)
- 59 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of levels of disability in children of men who have been prescribed sodium valporate. (199654)
- 60 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent discussions he has had with the Patient Safety Commissioner on a timetable for compensation for people harmed by sodium valporate. (199655)
- 61 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the average length of time is that it takes his Department to respond to Members' correspondence. (199552)
- 62 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to support ProMED-mail. (199594)
- 63 **John Penrose** (Weston-super-Mare): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he he plans to respond to the correspondence from the hon. Member for Weston-super-Mare of 30 June and 7 August 2023 on health care for older people. (199549)
- 64 **Sir Gavin Williamson** (South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has plans to raise awareness among (a) healthcare professionals and (b) patients of the safe (i) prescription and (ii) use of sodium valproate. (199583)
- 65 **Sir Gavin Williamson** (South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has held discussions with Bayer on the potential effects of Primodos. (199584)
- 66 **Sir Gavin Williamson** (South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to take steps to secure financial redress for the victims of Primodos. (199586)
- 67 **Sir Gavin Williamson** (South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking with the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions to improve financial support for people caring full-time for multiple individuals with disabilities and (b) other full-time carers. (199587)

- 68 **Sir Gavin Williamson** (South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that full-time carers have access to support to help (a) prevent burnout and (b) maintain their (i) mental and (ii) physical well-being. (199588)
- 69 **Sir Gavin Williamson** (South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make it his policy to provide additional Carer's Allowance for people caring for more than one person. (199589)
- 70N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will hold discussions with International partners on how best to co-ordinate action to tackle child trafficking. [Transferred] (199003)
- 71 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, which Minister in their Department is responsible for overseeing work on long-term strategic challenges; and how many officials in their Department (a) undertake horizon scanning work and (b) focus on delivering long-term priorities. (199603)
- 72 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what information his Department holds on the level of Russian influence on the coup in Niger. (199604)
- 73 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will take steps to review the security of (a) the accommodation and (b) other arrangements for UK diplomatic staff posted to China. (199609)
- 74 **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what (a) bilateral and (b) multilateral aid has been offered to Libya following the September 2023 flooding in Derna. (199568)
- 75 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much from the Conflict, Security and Stability Fund his Department will spend on supporting stability in African countries (a) in conflict and (b) in which conflict is deemed likely in the next year. (199554)
- 76 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent progress he has made on helping to deliver the Just Energy Transition Partnership for South Africa. (199555)
- 77 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent progress he has made on helping to establish the funding arrangements for responding to climate-induced loss and damage agreed at COP27. (199556)

- 78 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much funding for (a) humanitarian and (b) development work his Department has provided for use in (i) Somalia, (ii) South Sudan, (iii) Ethiopia and (iv) Kenya in this financial year. (199557)
- 79 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what reports his Department has received on (a) levels of violence in eastern Democratic Republic of Congo and (b) potential war crimes in that area. (199559)
- 80 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people without the legal right to remain in the UK have been removed in 2023. (199538)
- 81 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, Pursuant to the Answer of 11 September 2023 to Question 195848 on Visas: Afghanistan, what approach she is taking to reviewing processes to streamline decision making for family reunion visa applications; whether she plans to consult MPs; and if she will make a statement. (199550)
- 82 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department has conducted research on the causes of retail crime. (199643)
- 83 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will take steps with industry stakeholders to help ensure that there is an effective programme of self-protection training for staff working in retail. (199644)
- 84 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many cases of retail crime were reported in each of the last 10 years ;and how many of these led to a prosecution. (199645)
- 85 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the reasons for trends in the level of prosecutions for retail crimes. (199646)
- 86 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will publish a retail crime strategy. (199647)
- 87 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what information her Department holds on the number and proportion of retail crimes that involve physical assaults on staff. (199648)
- 88 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of cases of physical assault against (a) retail staff and (b) members of the public in a retail outlet were attended to by the police in the last 12 months. (199649)

- 89 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of cases of physical assault against (a) retail staff and (b) members of the public in a retail outlet led to a prosecution in the last 12 months. (199650)
- 90 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department holds data on the proportion of bicycles that have been stolen and returned to their owner (a) nationally and (b) in York. (199652)
- 91 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she has had discussions with the Union of Shop, Distributive and Allied Workers on (a) the level of crime and (b) safety of staff in the retail industry. (199653)
- 92 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the average length of time is that it takes his Department to respond to Members' correspondence. (199551)
- 93 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she is taking steps to help ensure that police forces investigate every reported crime. (199553)
- 94 **Nicola Richards** (West Bromwich East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to ensure that Iran is held accountable for its reported deployment of foreign agents to the UK. [Transferred] (199400)
- 95 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department has estimated the cost of the London Ultra Low Emission Zone expansion on the movement of non-compliant military vehicles across London. (199537)
- 96 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, which Minister in their Department is responsible for overseeing work on long-term strategic challenges; and how many officials in their Department (a) undertake horizon scanning work and (b) focus on delivering long-term priorities. (199614)
- 97 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an estimate of the total income his Department expects to receive from VAT payable on (a) cladding and (b) other building safety remediation projects carried out between June 2017 to June 2023. (199680)
- 98 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 13 September 2023 to Question 197911 on Prison Officers: Pensions, what recent assessment he has made of the potential merits of reducing the pension age of prison officers to 60. (199626)

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- 99 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, which Minister in their Department is responsible for overseeing work on long-term strategic challenges; and how many officials in their Department (a) undertake horizon scanning work and (b) focus on delivering long-term priorities. (199616)
- 100 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of reviewing the use of (a) interest rate hedging and (b) swap-like products in connection with fixed rate loans products by Ulster Bank in Northern Ireland. (199685)
- 101 **Neale Hanvey** (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much the Government has allocated to the carbon capture utilisation and storage Scottish cluster in each financial year since 2017-18. (199687)
- 102 **Mark Logan** (Bolton North East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether his Department has made a recent assessment of the potential impact of quantitative easing on the rate of inflation. (199664)
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Questions for Answer on Tuesday 19 September

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to page 47, paragraph M of Parliament's Intelligence and Security Committee report on China, whether the Government plans to update guidelines for the Advisory Committee on Business Appointments in relation to intelligence and security matters with particular reference to China. (199637)
- 2N **Miriam Cates** (Penistone and Stocksbridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps her Department is taking to support energy-intensive industries with energy costs. [Transferred] (906452)
- 3N **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to the data on Ministerial travel for the Department for International Trade, January to March 2023, last updated on 20 July 2023, how much was spent on (a) flights and (b) accommodation for her visit to the World Economic Forum from 17 to 20 January 2023. (199561)
- 4N **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 12 September 2023 to Question 197616 on Post Offices, whether her Department has (a) made an assessment of and (b) had discussions with relevant stakeholders on the future of the Crown Post Office branch in Great Underbank Stockport. (199688)

- 5N **Jonathan Reynolds** (Stalybridge and Hyde): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether it is her Department's policy to support the renewal of the WTO e-commerce moratorium beyond 2024. (199564)
- 6N **Jonathan Reynolds** (Stalybridge and Hyde): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many civil servants worked on legislative proposals relating to audit reform in each of the last five years. (199565)
- 7N **Lilian Greenwood** (Nottingham South): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what estimate she has made of the number of libraries that were used as warm spaces in winter 2022-23. (199580)
- 8N **Lilian Greenwood** (Nottingham South): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what discussions she has had with Local Authorities on the use of libraries as warm spaces in winter 2023-24. (199581)
- 9N **Lilian Greenwood** (Nottingham South): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, how many new public libraries have opened since 2010. (199582)
- 10N **Lilian Greenwood** (Nottingham South): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what information her Department holds on the number of public libraries that have reduced their opening (a) hours and (b) days in each year since 2010. (199585)
- 11N **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department are taking steps to measure the proportion of adults that carry out 150 minutes of moderate intensity activity a week. (199622)
- 12N **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, with reference to the new standards for equal access to sports announced by her Department on 8 March 2023, whether her Department has issued updated guidance for schools on using the funding to support pupils with physical education, sport and games. (199623)
- 13N **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, with reference to the new standards for equal access to sports announced by her Department on 8 March 2023, what plans her Department has to monitor the impact of the (a) standard and (b) associated funding on the participation of young girls in sport. (199624)
- 14N **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, with reference to the sport strategy, Get Active: a strategy for the future of sport and physical activity, published by her Department on 30 August 2023, how frequently her Department plans to meet representatives of the National Physical Activity Taskforce. (199625)
- 15N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will publish the (a) allocation for and (b) outturn expenditure on the adult education budget in (i) 2017-18, (ii) 2018-19, (iii) 2019-20, (iv) 2020-21, (v) 2021-22 and (vi) 2022-23. (199627)

- 16N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much her Department spent on the Childcare Grant for undergraduate students in each of the last five years; and how many people have (a) made a claim and (b) been eligible for support under that scheme in each of the last five years. (199569)
- 17N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much her Department spent on the Care to Learn scheme in each of the last five years; and how many people have (a) made a claim and (b) been eligible for support under that scheme in each of the last five years. (199570)
- 18N **Kate Hollern** (Blackburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many school classrooms were closed due to maintenance and structural issues in the most recent 12-month period for which data are available. (199628)
- 19 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will take steps to help ensure that whether a school provides SEND education is taken into account in her Department's assessment of that school's attainment data. (199600)
- 20N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to support post-18 mathematics education. (199590)
- 21N **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an estimate of the number of marquee-style temporary buildings her department has procured for schools where a gym or an assembly hall has had to close because of reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete. (199576)
- 22N **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to Offsite the Constructions Agreement (Framework Agreement RM6184), whether her Department plans publish the tender notice for portacabins for schools affected by reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete. (199577)
- 23N **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate her Department has made of how long it will take to install temporary modular classrooms in all schools affected by RAAC. (199578)
- 24N **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, which organisations have been contracted by her Department to survey school buildings suspected to contain reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete; and when those contracts were entered into. (199667)
- 25N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what the differences are between the Industrial Energy Transformation Fund rules for (a) Northern Ireland and (b) England and Wales. (199543)
- 26N **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the transparency data entitled DESNZ ministerial travel, January to March 2023, published on 20 July

2023, what meetings took place during the visit to India by the then Secretary of State from 9 to 23 March 2023; and how much was spent on (a) overnight accommodation, (b) plane tickets and (c) other expenses. (199563)

27N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, pursuant to the Answers of 11 September 2023 to Question 197707 on Energy and Heating: Buildings and of 4 September to Question 194693 on Environment Protection: Industry, for what reasons there have been changes in the levels of funding for energy efficiency and clean heat in buildings since the Spending Review. (199546)

28N **Dave Doogan** (Angus): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether her Department has made a recent assessment of the potential merits of providing regulatory protection to wooded land. (199661)

29N **Dave Doogan** (Angus): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment she has made of the implications for her policies of UK's contribution to illegal deforestation through the importation (a) cocoa, (b) coffee, (c) soy and (d) other forest-based commodities produced on land illegally occupied or used. (199663)

30N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 12 September 2023 to Question 198331 on Deposit Return Schemes, for what reason the implementation of the regulations has been delayed since the publication of the consultation response; when she plans to appoint the deposit management organisation (DMO); and what recent estimate she has made of when the DMO will commence. (199547)

31N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will publish the (a) allocated budget and (b) outturn expenditure for the UK Shared Prosperity Fund in 2022-23. (199630)

32N **James Murray** (Ealing North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what the monetary value of empty property relief for (a) retail premises (b) industrial premises and (c) all other premises was in each of the last 10 financial years for which data is available. (199675)

33N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the policy paper entitled Cycling and walking investment strategy report to Parliament 2022, published on 6 July 2022, when he plans to publish the next cycling and walking investment strategy report. (199541)

34 **Vicky Foxcroft** (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has had discussions with Govia Thameslink Railway on the reduction of its (a) Southern and (b) London Bridge to East Croydon railway lines. (199602)

- 35N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an estimate of the potential cost of providing (a) anti-inflammatory and (b) immunomodulatory treatment to young people where the potential merits of doing so outweigh the potential harms. (199656)
- 36N **Paula Barker** (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to increase stocks of diabetes medication. (199678)
- 37N **Paula Barker** (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to restrict off-label prescription of diabetes medication. (199679)
- 38N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to monitor the potential health implications of increases in the number of young people using vapes. (199542)
- 39N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 11 September to Question 197988 on Vaccine Damage Payment Scheme: Coronavirus, how many and what proportion of the 221 claims rejected due to not meeting the 60% disability threshold would have met a disability threshold of (a) 50%, b) 40%, c) 30% and (d) 20%. (199534)
- 40N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many claims under the Vaccine Damage Payments Scheme have been received between October 2021 and September 2023; how many of these claims relate to vaccines for (a) Covid-19 and (b) other illnesses; and how many claims are still awaiting a final decision per vaccine. (199535)
- 41N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much his Department spent on the (a) Childcare Allowance (b) Parent Learning Allowance and (c) Dependent's Allowance of the NHS Bursary; and how many people have (i) made a claim and (ii) been eligible for support under that scheme in each of the last five years. (199571)
- 42N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much his Department spent on Parental Support from the NHS Learning Support Fund in each of the last five years; and how many people have (a) made a claim and (b) been eligible for support under that scheme in each of the last five years. (199572)
- 43N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much his Department spent on the Childcare Allowance and Parents' Learning Allowance of the Social Work Bursary in each of the last five years; and how many people have (a) made a claim and (b) been eligible for support under that scheme in each of the last five years. (199573)

- 44N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent estimate he has made of the number and proportion of people with type 2 diabetes who will be affected by the shortage of GLP1-RA medications. (199596)
- 45N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 13 September 2023 to Question 198541 on NHS Trusts: Sexual Offences, for how long it has been a requirement that NHS organisations should have a policy on sexual misconduct; and what steps his Department takes to enforce this requirement. (199612)
- 46N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what information his Department holds on the number of supervised toothbrushing programmes that are operating in each local authority; and if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of those programmes on the oral health of children. (199657)
- 47N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department has taken to prepare for a winter increase in cases of respiratory syncytial virus.. (199658)
- 48N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent discussions he has had with NHS England about funding for the Cavell Centres national pilot scheme. (199659)
- 49N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the R&D budget is of the UK Health Security Agency Vaccine Development and Evaluation Centre. (199593)
- 50N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he had discussions with his Chinese counterpart on the visiting restrictions that have been placed upon some hon. Members during his visit to China in August 2023. (199607)
- 51N **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to his Department's data on Ministerial travel, January to March 2023, last updated on 13 July 2023, how much was spent on (a) flights and (b) accommodation for the visit by the then Minister of State for Overseas Territories, Commonwealth, Energy, Climate, and Environment to attend the World Economic Forum in Davos from 18 to 19 January 2023. (199562)
- 52N **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with the Libyan Government on the September 2023 flooding in Derna. (199567)
- 53N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the Written Statement of 14 September 2023 on Debts owed by Diplomatic Missions

and International Organisations in the UK: 2022, for what reason he is unable to provide the amount of debt owed for (a) national non-domestic rates and (b) parking fines as of 31 December 2022, and on what date his Department plans to release those figures. (199560)

54N **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of levels of religious freedom in Nepal. (199636)

55N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the answer of 13 September to Question 197940 on Asylum: Greater London, for what reasons the information requested is not reportable. (199539)

56N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what proportion of retail crime reports result in a visit from a (a) police officer, (b) Community Safety Patrol Officer in (i) England and (ii) York. (199638)

57N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an estimate of the proportion of retail crime reports that result in the police collecting (a) CCTV and (b) bodycam evidence. (199639)

58N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an estimate of the proportion of reports of a retail security guard apprehending a perpetrator of retail crime that result in a visit from a police officer. (199640)

59N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what data her Department holds on the average time taken by police to attend a report of retail crime when a suspect has been detained. (199641)

60N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will have discussions with representatives of the retail sector on providing retail workers with access to (a) body camera and (b) other safety equipment. (199642)

61N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, which Minister in their Department is responsible for overseeing work on long-term strategic challenges; and how many officials in their Department (a) undertake horizon scanning work and (b) focus on delivering long-term priorities. (199615)

62N **Dave Doogan** (Angus): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, on how many days 607 Squadron operated from HMS Queen Elizabeth between (a) 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 and (b) 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023; when it so operated; and for what exercises it operated. (199660)

63N **Dave Doogan** (Angus): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the victims of sexual offences aged under 18 recorded in the Sexual Offences in the Service Justice System statistics published on 30 March 2023, how many

perpetrators in those cases were based at the (a) Army Foundation College Harrogate, (b) Infantry Training Centre Catterick and (c) Army Training Centre Pirbright. (199692)

64N **Rachel Hopkins** (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many veterans had received a veteran ID cards as of (a) 1 January, (b) 1 February, (c) 1 March, (d) 1 April, (e) 1 May, (f) 1 June, (g) 1 July, and (h) 1 August 2023. (199671)

65N **Rachel Hopkins** (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much from the public purse was spent on the distribution of veteran ID cards in 2023, as of 14 September 2023. (199672)

66N **Rachel Hopkins** (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many full-time equivalent staff were working on the veterans recognition scheme on 1 September 2023. (199673)

67N **Rachel Hopkins** (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the total cost to the public purse was of phase one of the veterans recognition scheme. (199674)

68N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many individuals were convicted of aggravated assault under section 156 of the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022 between 28 June 2022 and 14 September 2023. (199558)

69N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the report by the Financial Conduct Authority entitled Financial Lives 2022 survey, published on 26 July 2023, if he will hold discussions with the Financial Conduct Authority on the findings of that survey on the number of people who unsuccessfully attempted to contact their financial services providers in the last 12 months. (199540)

70N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many public appointments are sponsored by his Department. (199611)

71N **Angus Brendan MacNeil** (Na h-Eileanan an Iar): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a zero-rate tax for renewable hydrotreated vegetable oil for domestic heating. (199548)

72N **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps his Department is taking to support public houses to pay their energy bills. (199629)

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Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Julie Elliott** (Sunderland Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, on how many occasions (a) he and (b) the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Scotland visited a (i) Government Hub and (ii) ministerial office outside London in (A) 2022 and (B) 2023. (199575)