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## Questions tabled on Friday 10 November 2023

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  - [R] Indicates that a relevant interest has been declared.
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### Questions for Answer on Monday 13 November

#### Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, when does he expect the Grenfell Tower Inquiry Phase 2 report to be published.  
[Transferred] (1239)
- 2N **Mr Nicholas Brown** (Newcastle upon Tyne East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what his Department's expected timescale is for receiving the final report of Sir Brian Langstaff on the contaminated blood inquiry. [Transferred] (75)
- 3 **Sir George Howarth** (Knowsley): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what estimate he has made of the number of people who died in (a) 2021, (b) 2022 and (c) 2023 who (i) had cardiac arrest recorded as the main cause of death and (ii) did not have a defibrillator used. [Transferred] (695)
- 4 **Royston Smith** (Southampton, Itchen): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what guidance her Department issues to (a) private companies and (b) UK-based investors on (i) engaging and (ii) investing in Ukraine. [Transferred] (1001)
- 5 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what progress her Department has made on developing a science and technology skills dashboard. [Transferred] (793)
- 6 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment she has made of the cost effectiveness of ground source heat pump energy production in (a) the UK and (b) North Yorkshire.  
[Transferred] (1178)

- 7 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether her Department plans to (a) scope and (b) scale the production of energy through ground source heat pump technology. [Transferred] (1179)
- 8 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment she has made of the potential risks of generating ground source heat pump energy; and what plans she has to mitigate these. [Transferred] (1180)
- 9 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what funding her Department plans to provide for research on (a) ground source heat pump technology and (b) good practice in the (i) extraction, (ii) conservation and (iii) distribution of energy produced by such technology. [Transferred] (1181)
- 10 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what estimate she has made of the potential carbon cost of ground source heat energy production. [Transferred] (1182)
- 11 **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether her Department has made an assessment of the (a) role and (b) limitations of carbon capture and storage in supporting broader efforts to decarbonise the construction sector. [Transferred] (719)
- 12 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that participants in the Homes for Ukraine scheme do not become homeless. [Transferred] (1063)
- 13 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he is taking steps with Cabinet colleagues to help ensure that Meals on Wheels services are adequately resourced to meet the (a) nutritional needs and (b) social well-being of (i) older and (ii) disabled people. [Transferred] (615)
- 14 **Martyn Day** (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether she has made an assessment of the potential impact of Ofcom's proposal to make Regional Secondary Locators optional for amateur radio licensees on the awareness of the (a) diversity and (b) unique nature of the nations of the UK by international audiences. [Transferred] (1199)
- 15 **Martyn Day** (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of introducing an opt-out option for members of pension schemes with safeguarded benefits who are required to take advice under section 48 of the Pension Schemes Act 2015. [Transferred] (1198)

- 16N **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, which Department has lead operational responsibility for the evacuation from Pakistan of Afghan people who are eligible to come to the UK. [Transferred] (753)
- 17N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many and what proportion of individuals that have applied to make contributions to fill gaps in their state pension contributions are waiting to commence those contributions as of 8 November 2023. [Transferred] (748)

## Questions for Answer on Tuesday 14 November

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Stephen M'Partland** (Stevenage): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will make an estimate of the potential (a) environmental and (b) economic impact of the use by Government departments of data storage contracts signed since 2015. (1341)
- 2 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will make an assessment of the adequacy of the level of competition between the BBC and the commercial radio sector. (1336)
- 3 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she has had recent discussions with the Director General of the BBC on impartiality in its coverage of the Israel and Gaza conflict. (1337)
- 4 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what discussions his Department has had with (a) representatives and (b) all members of the Diversity in the Public Realm Commission. (1338)
- 5 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help support culturally-significant markets in (a) Romford and (b) England. (1316)
- 6 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department plans to provide additional funding to music hubs for the increased employer contributions to the teachers' pension scheme. (1382)
- 7 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what information her Department holds on which universities have not ratified the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance definition of anti-Semitism. (1334)
- 8 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will take steps to include reference to (a) warehousing, and (b) logistics in the National Curriculum. (1310)

- 9 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what plans her Department has to ensure a high standard of primary religious education training in (a) Initial Teacher Training and (b) early career teacher induction. (1352)
- 10 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department plans to take steps to fund network hubs for Religious Education; and if she will make a statement. (1353)
- 11 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department is taking steps to ensure that regulations on the teaching of religious education are the same for individual academies and multi-academy trusts; and if she will make a statement. (1354)
- 12N **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will provide a new social energy tariff for (a) low income households and (b) households with energy-intensive medical equipment. [Transferred] (1267)
- 13 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to help support sugar beet growers. (1290)
- 14 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she has had recent discussions with the UN Environment Programme on which UK cities have expressed an interest in the Cool Coalition's Nature for Cool Cities Challenge. (1333)
- 15 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to the his department's publication Consultation outcome to Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill: reforms to national planning policy, updated 21 September 2023, when he plans to update the National Planning Policy Framework to introduce new flexibilities to meet housing needs. (1391)
- 16 **Sarah Owen** (Luton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to his Department's tender for the provision of external assurance reviews of local authorities, notice reference 2022/S 000-024515, published on 1 September 2022, which local authorities have been reviewed since this contract was assigned. (1394)
- 17 **Sarah Owen** (Luton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to section 5.3 of his Department's pre-tender market engagement document relating to the tender for provision of external assurance reviews of local authorities, reference CPD4124050, published on 1 September 2022, whether the contract has been extended. (1395)
- 18 **Sarah Owen** (Luton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to section 4.2 of his Department's pre-tender market engagement document relating to the tender for provision of external

assurance reviews of local authorities, reference CPD4124050, published on 1 September 2022, which local authorities were the minimum six and maximum 32 for which it was forecast that a review might be required. (1396)

- 19 **Sarah Owen** (Luton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to section 4.5 of his Department's pre-tender market engagement document relating to the tender for provision of external assurance reviews of local authorities, reference CPD4124050, published on 1 September 2022, whether additional unexpected risks have been uncovered in any of the reviews undertaken since this contract was assigned. (1397)
- 20 **Sarah Owen** (Luton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, pursuant to his Department's tender for the provision of external assurance reviews of local authorities, notice reference 2022/S 000-024515, published on 1 September 2022, what the cost to the public purse of that contract has been as of 10 November 2023. (1398)
- 21 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department is taking steps to support local authorities to maintain traditional markets in (a) Romford and (b) England. (1311)
- 22 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to support local authorities with housing vulnerable elderly citizens in (a) Romford and (b) England. (1312)
- 23 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to support local authorities with housing vulnerable homeless families in (a) Romford and (b) England. (1313)
- 24 **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment has he made of the potential impact of the European Commission anti-subsidy investigation into electric vehicle imports from China on the UK electric vehicle sector. (1340)
- 25 **Ian Levy** (Blyth Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what progress his Department has made on the roll-out of electric vehicle charging points on the motorway network. (1390)
- 26 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department has had discussions with the Office of Rail and Road on the (a) cost and (b) availability of off-peak fares on the rail route between Lydney and Gloucester. (1387)
- 27 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions he had with Cabinet colleagues between July and September 2023 on the decision to cancel phase two of HS2. (1388)
- 28 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent discussions his Department has had with Govia Thameslink on improving (a) reliability and (b) punctuality on that line. (1330)

- 29 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many and what proportion of trains were cancelled on the Govia Thameslink rail line due to a shortage of available trains in the last 12 months. (1331)
- 30 **Vicky Foxcroft** (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people are waiting for an Access to Work assessment. (1369)
- 31 **Vicky Foxcroft** (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the longest waiting time was for an Access to Work decision in the latest period for which data is available. (1370)
- 32 **David Linden** (Glasgow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the average time taken was for his Department to respond to enquiries about Personal Independence Payments in the period between June 2023 and September 2023. (1384)
- 33 **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made a recent assessment of the potential merits of (a) accepting the recommendations of the report by the APPG on Brain Tumours entitled Pathway to A Cure, published on 28 February 2023, and (b) providing additional funding for multidisciplinary research into brain tumours. (1339)
- 34 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to Answer of 20 July 2023 to 194469 on HIV Infection and Viral Diseases: Screening, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of the opt-out HIV and blood-borne virus testing programme in tackling health inequalities. (1385)
- 35 **Mark Eastwood** (Dewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Answers of 16 October 2023 to Questions 200120, 200121, 200122 and 200123 on Medial Treatments: Innovation, which criteria within the MedTech Strategy Programme governance structures will be used to assess the range of initiatives. (1400)
- 36 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the number of clinical radiology staff trainee places on the demand for clinical diagnostic services in the last 12 months. (1362)
- 37 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to take steps to (a) increase time available for Supporting Professional Activities and (b) improve physical space for training doctors. (1363)
- 38 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department (a) has made and (b) plans to make of the adequacy the funding of diagnostic imaging equipment. (1364)



- 39 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what information his Department holds on the number of complaints that have been made to the Care Quality Commission about social care providers in the last 12 months; and if he will make a statement. (1335)
- 40 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans his Department has to ensure the NICE Technology Appraisal on Hybrid closed loop systems for managing blood glucose levels in type 1 diabetes is adopted by integrated care systems. (1346)
- 41 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what funding his Department plans to allocate to support the adoption of the NICE Technology Appraisal on Hybrid closed loop systems for managing blood glucose levels for people living with type 1 diabetes. (1347)
- 42 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of the diabetes workforce across NHS England in the context of the NICE Technology Appraisal on Hybrid closed loop systems for managing blood glucose levels in type 1 diabetes. (1348)
- 43 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the likelihood of a connection between myalgic encephomyelitis and long covid. (1349)
- 44 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Answer of 23 October 2023 to Question 203304 on Innovative Medicines Fund, whether he has had recent discussions with (a) NHS England and (b) the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence on the use of the Fund to facilitate rapid access to advanced therapy medicinal products to treat severe and debilitating diseases. (1350)
- 45 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, What discussions he has had with the (a) National Institute for Health and Care Excellence and (b) Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency on rapid managed access to new medicines with an Innovation Passport under the Innovative Licensing and Access Pathway. (1351)
- 46 **Chloe Smith** (Norwich North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with the Secretary of State Levelling Up, Housing and Communities on the potential merits of (a) amending the National Planning Policy Framework and (b) introducing regulations governing the future Infrastructure Levy to ensure that sufficient GP and dental services are provided alongside housing developments. (1325)
- 47 **Henry Smith** (Crawley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the Innovative Medicines Fund in increasing access to gene therapies. (1326)

- 48 **Maggie Throup** (Erewash): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to (a) promote (i) research and (ii) interventions that focus on understanding the social and structural determinants impacting HIV transmission among women and (b) use the results of research to guide prevention efforts. (1358)
- 49 **Maggie Throup** (Erewash): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that healthcare providers are trained in gender-sensitive and culturally competent care for women seeking HIV-related services. (1359)
- 50 **Maggie Throup** (Erewash): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking with (a) women's organizations, (b) community leaders and (c) influencers to amplify messages about (i) prevention, (ii) testing and (iii) de-stigmatization of HIV among women. (1360)
- 51 **Maggie Throup** (Erewash): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to provide (a) accessible and (b) affordable sexual and reproductive healthcare services that include HIV prevention and testing. (1361)
- 52 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what diplomatic steps he is taking to help prevent communications blackouts in Gaza. (1386)
- 53 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has plans to increase the amount of Overseas Development Assistance that goes towards nutrition. (1401)
- 54 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of refugee hosting costs on his Department's aid budget. (1402)
- 55 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of using the Global Food Security Summit to reduce malnutrition worldwide. (1403)
- 56 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department has a target for the provision of nutrition services to vulnerable (a) children, (b) adolescents and (c) women in 2024. (1404)
- 57 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of trends in the level of persecution of Christians in China; and what steps he is taking to help support persecuted Christians in China. (1317)



- 58 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of trends in the level of persecution of Christians in India; and what steps he is taking to help support persecuted Christians in India. (1318)
- 59 **Andrew Western** (Stretford and Urmston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will take steps to deploy specialised emergency relief and medical support teams to the Rafah crossing. (1414)
- 60 **Tahir Ali** (Birmingham, Hall Green): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the average time was between an asylum claim being upheld and receipt of a biometric residence permit in the latest period for which data is available. (1389)
- 61 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department has taken steps to extend the Advice, Issue Reporting and Eligibility contract beyond August 2023. (1324)
- 62 **Stewart Hosie** (Dundee East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how much her Department has spent on advertisements on each radio station in each of the last five years. (1321)
- 63 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people had their British citizenship removed for (a) conduct that causes harm to the UK and (b) fraud in each of the last five years. (1332)
- 64 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make it her policy to bring forward legislative proposals to allow the Government to ban protests in absence of a request from the requisite police Commissioner. (1314)
- 65 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the implications for her policies of trends in the level of firework-related crime; and what steps her Department is taking to help tackle firework-related crime. (1315)
- 66 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to help reduce the number of assaults in fast-food outlets at (a) night and (b) other times. (1406)
- 67 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what his Department's expected timescale is for the completion of work to upgrade the infrastructure at HMNB Devonport. (1291)
- 68 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of procuring a submarine floating dock. (1292)

- 69 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the NAO's publication entitled The Equipment Plan 2022 to 2032, HC 907, published 29 November 2022, whether his Department plans to procure a submarine floating dock. (1293)
- 70 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much his Department has spent in (a) resource departmental expenditure limit (RDEL) and (b) capital departmental expenditure limit (CDEL) on supporting the Falkland Islands Defence Force protection of the sovereignty of the Islands in each year since 2010. (1294)
- 71 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many cases of (a) sexual assault, (b) sexual harassment and (c) rape have resulted in criminal sentences for perpetrators following reported incidents involving armed forces personnel serving at Army colleges in each of last five years. (1300)
- 72 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many cases of (a) sexual assault, (b) sexual harassment and (c) rape have resulted in criminal sentences for perpetrators following reported incidents involving armed forces personnel serving at Royal Navy colleges in each of last five years. (1301)
- 73 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many cases of (a) sexual assault, (b) sexual harassment, and (c) rape have resulted in criminal sentences for perpetrators following reported incidents involving armed forces personnel serving at RAF colleges in each of last five years. (1302)
- 74 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many open competitions his Department is running. (1303)
- 75 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many single-source contracts his Department is negotiating. (1304)
- 76 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of] (a) expanding RAF operations in addition to the Joint Helicopter Flying Station Aldergrove and (b) re-establishing RAF Aldergrove at Belfast International Airport. (1319)
- 77 **Dame Andrea Jenkyns** (Morley and Outwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps his Department is taking to increase prison capacity. (1365)
- 78 **Dame Andrea Jenkyns** (Morley and Outwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether his Department is taking steps to learn from the experience of other countries in managing fluctuations in prisoner numbers. (1366)

- 79 **Dame Andrea Jenkyns** (Morley and Outwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of renting prison places overseas to help manage fluctuations in prisoner numbers. (1367)
- 80 **Dame Andrea Jenkyns** (Morley and Outwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that there is adequate prison capacity for offenders. (1368)
- 81N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will make a comparative assessment of the use of (a) imprisonment and (b) community-based alternatives by Welsh courts compared to European equivalents. (1413)
- 82 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the hon. Member for Broxbourne, representing the Restoration and Renewal Client Board, what steps the Board is taking to promote gender equality in the Parliamentary Restoration and Renewal team. (1374)
- 83 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the hon. Member for Broxbourne, representing the Restoration and Renewal Client Board, what steps the Board is taking to promote gender equality among engineers in the Parliamentary Restoration and Renewal team. (1375)
- 84 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the Answer of 25 October 2023 to Question 203613 on Alcoholic Drinks: Excise Duties, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of bringing forward its formal evaluation of alcohol duty increases in the context of consumer price inflation for alcohol. (1399)

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## Questions for Answer on Wednesday 15 November

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what estimate she has made of the number of private landlords that rented domestic properties between 2017 and 2022. (1305)
- 2N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what estimate she has made of the effect of the British Industry Supercharger on industrial electricity prices compared to other countries. (1306)

- 3N **Christine Jardine** (Edinburgh West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent assessment she has made with Cabinet colleagues of the implications for her policies of research on the fire risk associated with lithium-ion batteries. [Transferred] (900104)
- 4N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what progress her Department has made on responding to Raising the bar: reframing the opportunity in women's football, published on 13 July 2023. (1307)
- 5N **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the Area SEND inspection of Hertfordshire Local Area Partnership report, published on 10 November 2023, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of appointing a Children's Services Commissioner to assist Hertfordshire County Council with their statutory responsibilities to SEND children and their families. (1392)
- 6N **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of increasing the eligibility threshold for means-tested free school meals for Universal Credit recipients in line with (a) inflation and (b) national living wage increases. (1383)
- 7N **Alistair Strathern** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if her Department will make an estimate of the median level of student debt in Mid Bedfordshire constituency. (1408)
- 8N **Alistair Strathern** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what plans she has to support Central Bedfordshire Council with SEND provision. (1409)
- 9N **Alistair Strathern** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what plans she has to support Central Bedfordshire Council with the transition from a three-tier to a two-tier school system. (1410)
- 10N **Alistair Strathern** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the average staff-to-student ratio was in secondary schools (a) nationally and (b) in Mid Bedfordshire constituency in each year since 2019. (1411)
- 11N **Alistair Strathern** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to help increase the availability of childcare in Mid Bedfordshire constituency. (1412)
- 12N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether she has plans to ensure that tower and blade manufacturing for offshore wind farms are sourced in the UK. (1393)
- 13N **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the Answer of 25 October 2023 to Question 203372 on Natural England, if Natural England will publish the register of board members' interests as a separate document on gov.uk. (1378)

- 14N **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the Answer of 25 October 2023 to Question 203372 on Natural England, for what reason Natural England have not published the declaration of interests made at and (b) minutes of the board meeting of 28 June 2023. (1381)
- 15N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how much financial support was provided under the Flood Recovery Framework in the first two weeks following Storm Babet. (1327)
- 16N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an assessment of the effectiveness of the Flood Recovery Framework for providing timely financial support to people affected by flooding. (1328)
- 17N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what the average time was between initial contact and first payment from the Flood Recovery Framework in the latest period for which data is available. (1329)
- 18N **Paul Maynard** (Blackpool North and Cleveleys): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what progress her Department has made on using geospatial data to support the expansion of the electric vehicle charging network. [Transferred] (900100)
- 19N **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps the DVLA is taking to help ensure that people without internet access are able to use their services following the end of its contract with the Post Office in March 2024. (1379)
- 20N **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Answer of 13 September 2023 to Question 198352 on Dental Services: Cornwall, how funding recovered from NHS dentists may be spent by his Department. (1380)
- 21N **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what his Department's policy is on the evacuation from Gaza of (a) British citizens, (b) family members of British citizens and (c) people with UK visas who do not have (i) British citizenship and (ii) British family members. (1288)
- 22N **Brendan O'Hara** (Argyll and Bute): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many and what proportion of SCS2 civil servants on full-time equivalent contracts in his Department are women. (1355)
- 23N **Brendan O'Hara** (Argyll and Bute): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many and what proportion of civil servants on temporary contracts in his Department are women. (1356)

- 24N **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to United Nations press release entitled General Assembly Adopts Declaration on Rights of Indigenous Peoples; 'Major Step Forward' towards Human Rights for All, Says President, published on 13 September 2007, whether it remains the Government's policy that (a) national minority groups and (b) other ethnic groups within the UK do not fall within the scope of the indigenous peoples to which the Declaration applies. (1377)
- 25N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how much money has been frozen under the freezing orders implemented by the Combatting Kleptocracy Cell on the finances since the start of the war in Ukraine; and what assessment she has made of the impact of those freezing orders on the finances of the people and organisations affected. (1308)
- 26N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how the Northern Ireland Strategic Migration Partnership will operate in the absence of the Northern Ireland Executive. (1309)
- 27N **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many foreign national offenders have been categorised as high-prolife by her Department in each year since 2015. (1322)
- 28N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many cases of (a) sexual assault, (b) sexual harassment and (c) rape have resulted in charges against alleged perpetrators in connection with reported incidents involving armed forces personnel serving at Royal Navy colleges. (1295)
- 29N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many cases of a) sexual assault; b) sexual harassment; and c) rape have resulted in charges against alleged perpetrators following reported incidents involving Armed Forces personnel serving at RAF colleges in the UK. (1296)
- 30N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many cases of (a) sexual assault, (b) sexual harassment and (c) rape have resulted in court martials against alleged perpetrators in connection with reported incidents involving armed forces personnel serving at Army colleges in the UK. (1297)
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- 33N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many people who were released via an End of Custody Supervised Licence have been recalled to prison in 2023 to date. (1357)
- 34N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what is the (a) annual cost for the Legal Aid Agency to process applications for exceptional case funding (ECF), (b) value of ECF claims which have been granted and (c) value of ECF claims which were denied in the each of the last three years. (1342)
- 35N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what estimate he has made of the (a) annual saving to the Legal Aid fund of removing passporting through the means test for those earning more than £500 per month who are in receipt of Universal Credit (UC) and (b) additional annual cost to the Legal Aid fund of passporting homeowners in receipt of UC through the capital assessment part of the means test. (1343)
- 36N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what is the annual cost for the Legal Aid Agency to process escape fee claims; what proportion of escape fee claims are rejected; and what the value to the Legal Aid fund of rejected escape fee claims was in each of the last three years. (1344)
- 37N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what is the annual (a) cost of the Legal Aid Agency's (LAA) audit and compliance activities and (b) value of the funds recovered from legal aid providers as a result of the LAA's audit and compliance activity. (1345)
- 38N **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what was the total amount of impairment from confiscation orders in each year since 2013. (1323)
- 39N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of devolving (a) probation services and (b) youth justice to Wales. (1373)

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## Questions for Answer on Thursday 16 November

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps her Department is taking to assist homeowners living in conservation areas to improve the energy-efficiency of their homes. (1376)

- 2N **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment her Department has made of the number of smuggled animal exports in each of last five years; and whether she intends to bring forward legislation to ban live exports of (a) horses, (b) donkeys, (c) ponies and (d) all animals for slaughter. (1405)
- 3N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to Section 9 of the Public Order Act 2023, what is her expected timeline for implementing safe access zones. (1289)
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## Questions for Answer on Monday 20 November

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the potential effects of long waiting lists of schools that are specialised for Special Educational Needs children on such children. (1372)
- 2N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if she will bring forward legislative proposals to establish an offenders' registry for the perpetrators of animal cruelty. (1371)
- 3N **Sarah Atherton** (Wrexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many (a) reserve and (b) regular service personnel are on a waiting list for orthopaedic surgery. (1407)
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## Questions for Answer on Wednesday 22 November

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Mr Tobias Ellwood** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve the accessibility of NHS dentistry for patients with disabilities in (a) Bournemouth East constituency and (b) the South West. (1320)