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## Questions tabled on Thursday 16 November 2023

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  - N Indicates a question for written answer on a named day under [S.O. No. 22\(4\)](#).
  - [R] Indicates that a relevant interest has been declared.
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### Questions for Answer on Monday 20 November

#### Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Ben Everitt** (Milton Keynes North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps her Department is taking to encourage bilateral trade between the UK and Morocco. (2379)
- 2 **Peter Gibson** (Darlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the average time taken to process first registrations of land at His Majesty's Land Registry; and what steps he is taking to reduce the number of pending registrations. (2374)
- 3 **Dame Margaret Hodge** (Barking): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she he will take steps to expand the person of significant control regime to English and Welsh Limited Partnerships. (2244)
- 4 **Dame Margaret Hodge** (Barking): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps she plans to take to achieve transparency over the ultimate ownership of UK land held by overseas entities where the legal owner and the beneficial owner of land are different. (2246)
- 5 **Dame Margaret Hodge** (Barking): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, both what steps she (a) has taken and (b) plans to take to recover property titles on the Register of Overseas Entities owned by overseas entities which have been dissolved or struck off without there first being an onward sale. (2247)

- 6 **Sir Iain Duncan Smith** (Chingford and Woodford Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department has assessed the potential merits of reducing the review period for statutory levy rates on gambling operators and the distribution of funds to every three years, to allow for changes in the gambling landscape to be appropriately accounted for. (2248)
- 7 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will have discussions with the BBC Board on the adequacy of the BBC News coverage of the conflict in Gaza. (2250)
- 8 **Justin Tomlinson** (North Swindon): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps his Department are taking to ensure that developers are installing school sports pitches that are (a) safe and (b) meet quality standards. (2331)
- 9 **Andrew Bridgen** (North West Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to reduce waiting times for Education, Health and Care plan assessments in (a) North West Leicestershire constituency and (b) the UK. (2334)
- 10 **Peter Gibson** (Darlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made an assessment of the adequacy of the time taken for school admission decisions to be made for pupils temporarily residing in domestic abuse refuges; and if she will take steps with local authorities to reduce that time. (2375)
- 11 **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing an appeals process for parents and carers fined for taking their child out of school during term time. (2371)
- 12N **Barbara Keeley** (Worsley and Eccles South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what information her Department holds on the cost to the public purse of (a) consultations and (b) legal advice on proposals to change the structure of music education hubs. [Transferred] (2118)
- 13 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much funding her Department plans to provide to (a) schools, (b) academy trusts and (c) Essex County Council to support pupils with special educational needs in each of the next three years. (2320)
- 14 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many Education, Health and Care Plans have been agreed in each local authority area in each year since 2014; and if she will make an estimate of the number of plans that will be agreed in each local authority area in each of the next five years. (2321)
- 15 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department are taking to inspect multi academy trusts. (2322)
- 16 **Justin Tomlinson** (North Swindon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many people have participated in the Holiday Activities Programme since that programme was launched. (2330)

- 17 **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the contribution of the Minister for Nuclear and Networks in the debate on the Energy Bill on 5 September 2023, Official Report, column 281, when her Department plans to publish (a) an annual report on community energy and (b) a consultation on the potential barriers facing the sector. (2342)
- 18 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether she has made an estimate of the percentage of installed solar panels that were imported from China in 2022. (2251)
- 19 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the Answer of 24 April 2023 to Question 181721, when the consultation on options to target energy support to those most in need will be published; and for what reason the consultation was not launched in summer 2023. (2294)
- 20 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will publish the number of planning applications for offshore wind farms that (a) have been approved and (b) are under consideration since 2010 broken down by (i) location and (ii) amount of new electricity that will be generated. (2317)
- 21 **Kim Leadbeater** (Batley and Spen): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the impact of artificial grass on (a) natural habitats and (b) the wider environment. (2385)
- 22 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what financial support his Department provides to National Plant Collection holders who have suffered (a) flood and (b) storm damage. (2314)
- 23 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions he has had with the Leader of the House on parliamentary time for legislation prohibiting the sale of peat in the horticultural retail trade. (2315)
- 24 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what his Department's policy is on providing support to householders who believe that actions taken by the Environment Agency have caused flooding to their properties. (2316)
- 25 **Steve Double** (St Austell and Newquay): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, when he plans to publish the Government's response to the consultation entitled Introduction of a use class for short term lets and associated permitted development rights which closed on 7 June 2023. (2345)
- 26 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department is taking steps to prevent landlords evicting tenants that are in receipt of pension credit. (2253)

- 27N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department has issued guidance on responsibility for (a) upgrading and (b) enhancing port infrastructure in freeports.  
[Transferred] (2213)
- 28 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he has had discussions with (a) Council leaders and (b) City of York Council on the availability of (a) affordable and (b) social housing. (2354)
- 29 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he has had recent discussions with representatives of (a) local authorities and (b) City of York Council on (i) the adequacy of their financial position and (ii) whether they require additional financial support from central Government. (2355)
- 30 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the governance of the Bellwin Scheme at ensuring (a) local authorities have the capacity to administer the scheme and (b) that that scheme is used consistently. (2357)
- 31 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the Bellwin scheme. (2358)
- 32 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an assessment of the clarity of his Department's guidance on the Bellwin Scheme. (2359)
- 33 **Nick Fletcher** (Don Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, with reference to (a) page 8 of the Home Office's Tackling violence against women and girls strategy, published July 2021 and (b) Section 54 of the Online Safety Act 2023, whether men and boys are included within Ofcom's guidance on protecting women and girls.  
[Transferred] (2224)
- 34 **Nick Fletcher** (Don Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, with reference to Section 54 of the Online Safety Act 2023, what guidance Ofcom issues to media providers on the type of (a) content and (b) activity that disproportionately affects women and girls.  
[Transferred] (2241)
- 35 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps she is taking to reduce online (a) harassment and abuse on social media and (b) other online harms for teenagers and young people.  
[Transferred] (2064)
- 36 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if she will commission research into the causes of e-cycle battery fires. (2347)

- 37 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of taking steps to help increase domestic micro-mobility (a) research and (b) manufacturing. (2348)
- 38 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if she will have discussions with relevant stakeholders on the potential merits of funding technology to (a) prevent cycle thefts and (b) enable secure tracking systems on bicycles and e-bikes. (2349)
- 39N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an estimate of the public usage of hydrogen refueling stations; and whether she has made an estimate of future usage of these stations over the next five years. [Transferred] (2102)
- 40 **Justin Tomlinson** (North Swindon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department is taking steps to help prevent the placement of electric car charging cables across public footpaths. (2329)
- 41 **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate he has made of the (a) average length of time taken between notification being received from HMRC of a change to a person's National Insurance record and that change being reflected in a revised state pension (i) forecast and (ii) award and (b) how many such notifications are outstanding. (2376)
- 42 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of the Carers UK's publication entitled State of Caring Survey 2023, published 17 October 2023; and if he will make it his policy to (a) raise the level of and (b) widen the eligibility criteria for the Caring Allowance. (2297)
- 43N **Crispin Blunt** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will publish all the scientific data supporting the findings in the Joint position paper from the Advisory Committee on Novel Foods and Processes (ACNFP) and Committee on Toxicity (COT) on establishing a provisional acceptable daily intake (ADI) for pure form ( $\geq 98\%$ ) cannabidiol (CBD) in foods, based on new evidence, which was published on 12 October 2023. [R] [Transferred] (2052)
- 44 **Sir Robert Buckland** (South Swindon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether her Department has had recent discussions with the General Dental Council on increased investment in the applications process for dentists with overseas qualifications. (2332)
- 45 **Sir Robert Buckland** (South Swindon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will have discussions with her international counterparts on mutual recognition of dentistry schemes. (2333)

- 46N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when she plans to respond to the email of 19 September 2023 to the Prime Minister from the hon. Member for Liverpool, Walton on the Care Supporters Bill.  
[Transferred] (2204)
- 47 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to increase the number of midwives trained in England. (2254)
- 48 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of funding of (a) adult and (b) children's social care; and if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of changes in the level of funding on those sectors. (2356)
- 49 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the preparedness of the NHS in Essex for winter 2023-24; and how much additional funding his Department plans to provide to NHS services in Essex for winter 2023-24. (2318)
- 50 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to his Department's press release entitled '£200 million to boost NHS resilience and care this winter', published 14 September 2023, if he will provide additional resources to local authorities to support hospital discharge and reablement services. (2319)
- 51 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what information his Department holds on the number of British citizens who are not able to travel directly to the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus; and whether he has had recent discussions with his Turkish Cypriot counterpart on this matter. (2373)
- 52 **Andrew Bridgen** (North West Leicestershire): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will take steps with Cabinet colleagues to (a) renegotiate the UK's membership of the European Convention on Human Rights and (b) hold a referendum on remaining a member of that treaty. (2335)
- 53 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether his Department has sought legal advice on the international legal framework governing the conduct of all parties to the conflict in Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories. (2372)
- 54 **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will take legislative steps to ratify the Global Ocean Treaty.  
[Transferred] (2203)
- 55 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what discussions he has had with his Vietnamese counterparts on (a) upholding the human rights of climate activists



and (b) the conditions in which Hoang Thi Minh Hong is being held; and whether UK funding for the Vietnam Just Energy Transition Partnership will be dependent on that country making a commitment to uphold the human rights of climate activists. (2296)

- 56 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent estimate his Department has made of the number of Hamas terrorists that have been killed in Gaza since 7 October 2023. (2301)
- 57 **Justin Tomlinson** (North Swindon): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has made an estimate of the total value spent by his Department supporting educational opportunities worldwide in each of the last five years. (2327)
- 58 **Justin Tomlinson** (North Swindon): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps his Department is taking to support disabled children abroad. (2328)
- 59 **Jonathan Gullis** (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether he has made an assessment of the implications for his policies of reports that Muhammed Kathem Sawalha assisted in organising recent pro-Palestinian protests in London. (2377)
- 60 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the Answer of 20 July 2022 to Question 36865 on Refugees: Rwanda, how many refugees from Rwanda have been resettled in the UK under the Migration and Economic Development Partnership; and if he will take steps to publish this data each month. (2295)
- 61 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps he is taking to ensure that the UK meets its obligations to refugees under the 1951 Refugee Convention. (2360)
- 62 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether his Department provides support to Palestinian people living in the UK to (a) work and (b) study; and whether his Department provides support to Palestinian people resident in the UK to provide homes for family residing in (i) Gaza and (ii) the West Bank. (2361)
- 63 **Caroline Nokes** (Romsey and Southampton North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people were (a) arrested on suspicion and (b) convicted of people smuggling in UK waters since the start of January 2023. (2303)
- 64 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people resident in the Hendon constituency were removed after their asylum appeal was rejected in each of the last five years. (2299)

- 65 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether he has made an estimate of the number of individuals that remain in the Hendon constituency having had their asylum appeals rejected within the last 20 years. (2300)
- 66 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the average length of time taken is for people whose asylum appeal has been rejected to (a) voluntarily leave and (b) be removed from the UK. (2302)
- 67 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what his Department's planned timescale is to complete its Uncrewed Systems Strategy. (2258)
- 68 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if his Department will publish the Uncrewed Systems strategy. (2259)
- 69 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the readiness days were for each of the Royal Navy's River-Class Batch 1 offshore patrol vessels in each year since 2010. (2262)
- 70 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the readiness days were for each of the Royal Navy's River-Class Batch 2 offshore patrol vessels in each year since 2010. (2263)
- 71 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the readiness days were for each of the Royal Navy's Albion-class landing platform docks in each year since 2010. (2264)
- 72 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the readiness days were for each of the Royal Navy's Sandown-class mine counter measure vessels in each year since 2010. (2265)
- 73 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the readiness days were for each of the Royal Navy's Hunt-class mine counter measure vessels in each year since 2010. (2266)
- 74 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the readiness days were for each of the Royal Navy's Archer-class vessels in each year since 2010. (2267)
- 75 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the readiness days were for each of the Royal Navy's Cutlass-class vessels in each year since 2010. (2268)
- 76 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the readiness days were for the Army's Challenger II main battle tanks in each year since 2010. (2269)



- 77 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the readiness days were for the Royal Air Force's Typhoon fighter jet fleet in each year since 2010. (2270)
- 78 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the readiness days were for the F-35 fleet in each year since 2010. (2271)
- 79 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the readiness days were for the Royal Air Force's C-17 transport plane fleet in each year since 2010. (2272)
- 80 **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many full time equivalent full-time military reserve physiotherapists are deployed in (a) England, (b) Scotland, (c) Northern Ireland, (d) Wales and (e) overseas as of 16 November 2023. (2278)
- 81 **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many full-time equivalent military physiotherapists are deployed in (a) England, (b) Scotland, (c) Northern Ireland, (d) Wales and (e) overseas as of 16 November 2023. (2279)
- 82 **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many full-time equivalent civilian physiotherapists employed by his Department are deployed in (a) England, (b) Scotland, (c) Northern Ireland, (d) Wales and (e) overseas as of 16 November 2023. (2280)
- 83 **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many full time equivalent rehabilitation support workers who are not Health and Care Professions Council registered are deployed in (a) England, (b) Scotland, (c) Northern Ireland, (d) Wales and (e) overseas as of 16 November 2023. (2281)
- 84 **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many vacancies there are in his Department for (a) physiotherapists and (b) rehabilitation support workers in (i) England, (ii) Scotland, (iii) Northern Ireland, (iv) Wales and (v) overseas. (2282)
- 85 **Nick Fletcher** (Don Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what proportion of male prisoners [PLEASE CLARIFY] come from a broken home. (2378)
- 86 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many complaints he has received about the performance of the probate service in each of the last five years. (2309)
- 87 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of the time taken by the probate service to process applications; and what the average time is to process an application for the latest period in which data is available. (2310)

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- 88 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many times errors by the probate service caused delays to the processing of applications in each of the last five years. (2311)
- 89 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many full time equivalent staff worked in the probate service in each of the last five years. (2312)
- 90 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what service standards guidance the probate service has for answering telephone enquiries; and whether he is taking steps to improve the information provided to applicants who contact the probate service by telephone. (2313)
- 91 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will hold discussion with the Sentencing Council on the potential merits of making it more likely that perpetrators of retail crime receive custodial sentences. [Transferred] (2148)
- 92 **Andrew Bridgen** (North West Leicestershire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, when his Department plans to respond to the consultation entitled Addressing carbon leakage risk to support decarbonisation, published on 30 March 2023. (2336)
- 93 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps his Department is taking to help small businesses in rural areas with increases in business rates. (2252)
- 94 **Dame Margaret Hodge** (Barking): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many violations there have been of sanctions placed on Russia; and what the value is of fines issued for those violations. (2245)
- 95 **Simon Jupp** (East Devon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of reducing VAT charged on property repairs required as a result of damage caused by flooding. (2380)
- 96 **Stephen M<sup>c</sup>Partland** (Stevenage): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what was the outcome of his meeting with his Moroccan counterpart at the Annual Meeting of the World Bank Group and International Monetary Fund 2023. (2325)
- 97 **Stephen M<sup>c</sup>Partland** (Stevenage): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps he is taking to strengthen economic relations with Morocco. (2326)
- 98 **Alison Thewliss** (Glasgow Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of permanently extending the higher rate of Theatre Tax Relief. (2340)
- 99 **Alison Thewliss** (Glasgow Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of allowing half of all marketing spend to be included in the qualifying costs of Theatre Tax Relief. (2341)
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## Questions for Answer on Tuesday 21 November

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what her Department's planned timetable is for publishing its response to the consultation entitled Consultation on the British Industry Supercharger package for strategic Energy Intensive Industries which closed on 29 June 2023. (2275)
- 2N **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she has had discussions with the Competition and Markets Authority on helping ensure that rises in car insurance premiums do not disproportionately impact individuals with protected characteristics. (2346)
- 3N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to support charities that engage in food waste reduction programmes. (2277)
- 4N **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department plans to take to help establish new high-seas marine protected areas under the Biodiversity beyond National Jurisdiction Agreement. (2368)
- 5N **Sir Chris Bryant** (Rhondda): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what comparative assessment she has made of how the UK compares to other European nations on its proportion of (a) 4G and (b) 5G coverage. (2284)
- 6N **Mr Ben Bradshaw** (Exeter): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of bringing forward legislative proposals to implement the recommendation of the APPG on Cycling and Walking in its report entitled Road justice, published in September 2023, on making exceptional hardship grounds available only on appeal in the Crown Court. [Transferred] (900215)
- 7N **Andrew Bridgen** (North West Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, for what reason the Land Registry does (a) include a record of the sale in 2011 and (b) not include a record of the sale in 2015 of the Old Rectory in Appleby Magna. [R] (2337)
- 8N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of ensuring that electric vehicle charging points are available throughout the UK, in the context of the Rapid Charging Fund pilot. (2274)

- 9N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will issue guidance to highways authorities on the best practice to decarbonise roads maintenance. (2305)
- 10N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will issue guidance to local authorities on the use of longer-lasting road surfacing materials. (2306)
- 11N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of using lower carbon warm mix asphalt in national road repairs. (2307)
- 12N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will issue guidance to local authorities on (a) effective and (b) efficient ways to allocate pothole and road maintenance funding. (2308)
- 13N **Sarah Green** (Chesham and Amersham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to his Department's consultation on Pavement parking: options for change, which closed on 22 November 2020, when he plans to publish his Department's response to the consultation. (2384)
- 14N **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate he has made of the (a) number of practical driving tests booked in 2023 as of 16 November 2023 and (b) proportion of those practical driving tests booked (i) through third-party applications not approved by the DVSA and (ii) by automated bots. (2362)
- 15N **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an estimate of the average amount paid in pounds sterling for practical driving test slots that were (a) booked via third-party applications not approved by the DVSA and (b) resold after having been bought by automated bots. (2363)
- 16N **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an assessment of the average waiting time for a practical driving test at each DVSA assessment centre as of 16 November 2023. (2364)
- 17N **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to limit the use of (a) third party applications not approved by the Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency and (b) automated bots to book driving tests. (2365)
- 18N **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when his Department plans to publish a report following a review of the regulatory provision contained in regulations 3 to 16 of the Merchant Shipping (Work in Fishing Convention)(Medical Certification) Regulations 2018. (2370)
- 19N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing an e-bike subsidy scheme. (2351)

- 20N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department is taking steps to encourage the recycling and repair of old bicycles. (2352)
- 21N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will take steps to encourage delivery companies to switch to cargo bikes in urban areas. (2353)
- 22N **Mr Nicholas Brown** (Newcastle upon Tyne East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if his Department will take steps to passport people infected with haemophilia that are eligible for compensation via the Infected Blood Inquiry, and their affected partners, onto (a) PIP and (b) ESA. (2273)
- 23N **Philip Davies** (Shipley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when she plans to respond to the letter from the hon. Member for Shipley to her predecessor, dated 27 September 2023. (2291)
- 24N **Rachel Hopkins** (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many full time equivalent employees of her Department work on the delivery of Op Courage. [Transferred] (2227)
- 25N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will take steps to make (a) Orkambi, (b) Symkevi and (c) Kaftrio available for everyone with cystic fibrosis. (2249)
- 26N **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of radiology scans were outsourced to teleradiology companies based overseas in each of the last five years. (2343)
- 27N **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will publish a list of the teleradiology companies based overseas that NHS radiology scans have been outsourced to in each of the last five years. (2344)
- 28N **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State (Minister for the Lords) plans to reply to the correspondence from the the hon. member for St Ives of 29 September 2023 on gaining consents under legal charges from NHS bodies. (2369)
- 29N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of creating a Minister for hostage affairs to help support families of (a) British and (b) dual nationals. (2338)
- 30N **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent steps his Department has taken to provide humanitarian support to Sudan. (2323)
- 31N **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent discussions has he had with his (a) regional and (b) other international counterparts on the humanitarian situation in Sudan. (2324)

- 32N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, with reference to the Answer of 19 October 2023 to Question 202276 on Development Aid: Genito-urinary Medicine, if he will publish updated data on (a) (i) bilateral, (ii) multilateral and (iii) total spending on Sexual Reproductive Health Rights (SRHR) and (b) what that spending is as a proportion of Official Development Assistance in line with the methodology set out in the Donors Delivering for SRHR report 2023 in (A) 2019, (B) 2020 and (C) 2021. (2293)
- 33N **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what progress the Government has made on ratifying the Biodiversity beyond National Jurisdiction Agreement. (2366)
- 34N **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps the Government is taking to encourage other countries to ratify the Biodiversity beyond National Jurisdiction Agreement. (2367)
- 35N **Ashley Dalton** (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what data his Department holds on the number of (a) members of staff and (b) officers in Lancashire Constabulary for whom (i) the correct level of vetting has not been applied and (ii) vetting clearance has expired. (2387)
- 36N **Ashley Dalton** (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether management vetting is required for all officers who hold the rank of sergeant in the police force. (2388)
- 37N **Sir Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will have discussions with the Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police on the (a) circumstances which led the police to cancel a prayer walk for Israel and the Jewish people, organised by Christian Action Against Anti-Semitism to take place in Golders Green on 21 October 2023, (b) the basis on which the police determined that tweets by supporters of a pro-Palestinian march scheduled for the same day seven miles away constituted a sufficient level of threat to require cancellation of the Golders Green event and (c) whether the police plan to investigate those tweets further. (2242)
- 38N **Sir Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what advice his Department provides to rescue services that pick up migrants in small boats in the English Channel in (a) international and (b) UK territorial waters on where they can land those rescued; and what (i) domestic and (ii) international legal advice he has received on whether they can be landed on the territory of the last safe country from which they embarked. (2243)
- 39N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference the Answer of 11 September 2023 to Question 197994 on Armed Forces: Weapons, how much and what proportion of the funding for Armed Forces stockpiles over the next two years has been allocated to the (a) Army, (b) Royal Navy and (c) RAF. (2255)



- 40N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when he plans that the Ajax programme will complete its Reliability Growth trials. (2256)
- 41N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the (a) original and (b) current (i) initial and (ii) full operating capability date is for Watchkeeper. (2257)
- 42N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the readiness days were for each of the Royal Navy's Type 45 destroyers in each year since 2010. (2260)
- 43N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the readiness days were for each of the Royal Navy's Type 23 frigates in each year since 2010. (2261)
- 44N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department has issued guidance to (a) serving members of the armed forces and (b) family members of serving members of the armed forces on giving evidence to the Defence Select Committee inquiry into military housing. (2292)
- 45N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many applications for probate grants were received by his Department in September (a) 2021, (b) 2022 and (c) 2023. (2276)
- 46N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what recent estimate he has made of the maintenance backlog across the public-sector prison estate. (2298)
- 47N **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an assessment of the implications for his policies of the recommendations on shareholder rights in the interim report of the Digitisation Taskforce, published on 11 July 2023. (2283)
- 48N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of having zero VAT on children's bicycles. (2350)

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## Questions for Answer on Wednesday 22 November

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, when his Department will implement Recommendation 12 of the Second Interim Report of the Infected Blood Inquiry, published 5 April 2023. (2289)

- 2N **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many meetings (a) he and (b) his Department has had with individuals infected and affected by contaminated blood in each of the last five years. (2290)
- 3N **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what the terms of reference are for the Pornography Review announced on 3 July 2023; and which Minister has lead responsibility for that review. (2288)
- 4N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what guidance his Department issues to highway authorities on best practice in local roads maintenance to achieve (a) value for money and (b) improved outcomes. (2304)
- 5N **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the Answer of 18 October 2022 to Question 202261 on Asylum: Applications, if he will make it his policy to routinely publish data on the attrition rate of (a) asylum application decision makers and (b) national referral mechanism case workers. (2286)
- 6N **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the Answer of 12 September 2023 to Question 198095 on Asylum: Housing, what progress his Department has made on assessing the potential impact of the Illegal Migration Act 2023 on Official Development Assistance spending. (2287)
- 7N **Rachel Hopkins** (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of the (a) funding provided by his Department to the Veterans Welfare Service and (b) support provided by that service to service leavers. (2381)
- 8N **Rachel Hopkins** (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what training defence transition service caseworkers receive. (2382)
- 9N **Rachel Hopkins** (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what training veteran welfare service staff receive. (2383)
- 10N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how much funding was allocated per police force for the use of police cells under Operation Safeguard in (a) October and (b) November 2023. (2339)

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### Oral Questions to the Prime Minister

- 1 **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): If he will list his official engagements for Wednesday 22 November. (900231)
- 2 **Andrew Jones** (Harrogate and Knaresborough): (900232)

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3	<b>Steve Double</b> (St Austell and Newquay):	(900233)
4	<b>Patricia Gibson</b> (North Ayrshire and Arran):	(900234)
5	<b>Alex Cunningham</b> (Stockton North):	(900235)
6	<b>Andrew Western</b> (Stretford and Urmston):	(900236)
7	<b>Gareth Thomas</b> (Harrow West):	(900237)
8	<b>Kirsty Blackman</b> (Aberdeen North):	(900238)
9	<b>Alex Norris</b> (Nottingham North):	(900239)
10	<b>Gary Sambrook</b> (Birmingham, Northfield):	(900240)
11	<b>Dr Liam Fox</b> (North Somerset):	(900241)
12	<b>Daniel Zeichner</b> (Cambridge):	(900242)
13	<b>Kevin Foster</b> (Torbay):	(900243)
14	<b>Darren Henry</b> (Broxtowe):	(900244)
15	<b>Jason McCartney</b> (Colne Valley):	(900245)

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## Questions for Answer on Thursday 23 November

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of encouraging mobile network roaming in rural areas. (2386)

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### Oral Questions to the Minister for the Cabinet Office

- 1 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): What recent assessment he has made of the effectiveness of his Department during the covid-19 pandemic. (900246)
- 2 **Liz Twist** (Blaydon): What steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help ensure value for money in public procurement. (900247)
- 3 **Mr Rob Roberts** (Delyn): What recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the impact of devolution arrangements on the strength of the Union. (900248)
- 4 **Rob Butler** (Aylesbury): What steps his Department is taking to improve access to public sector procurement processes for small and medium-sized businesses. (900249)

- 5 **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): What progress he has made on implementing the final recommendations on compensation in the Second Interim Report of the Infected Blood Inquiry, published on 5 April 2023. (900250)
- 6 **Martin Vickers** (Cleethorpes): What steps his Department is taking to improve access to public sector procurement processes for small and medium-sized businesses. (900251)
- 7 **Jonathan Gullis** (Stoke-on-Trent North): What progress his Department has made on relocating civil service jobs from London. (900252)
- 8 **Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): Whether he has had discussions with the Independent Adviser on Ministers' Interests on declarations of interest by the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs. (900253)
- 9 **Alison McGovern** (Wirral South): What the responsibilities of the Ministers without Portfolio are. (900254)
- 10 **Michael Shanks** (Rutherglen and Hamilton West): What recent assessment he has made of trends in the level of compliance with the Ministerial Code. (900255)
- 11 **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): What the responsibilities of the Ministers without Portfolio are. (900256)
- 12 **Barbara Keeley** (Worsley and Eccles South): What progress his Department has made on implementing the interim recommendations of the Infected Blood Inquiry. (900257)
- 13 **Holly Lynch** (Halifax): What recent discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs on strengthening national flooding preparedness. (900258)
- 14 **Jamie Stone** (Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross): Whether he has had recent discussions with Cabinet colleagues on the impact of devolution arrangements on the strength of the Union. (900259)
- 15 **Henry Smith** (Crawley): What recent steps his Department is taking to strengthen national security. (900260)
- 16 **Daniel Zeichner** (Cambridge): What recent assessment he has made with Cabinet colleagues of the potential impact of the border target operating model on cross-border flows of goods. (900261)
- 17 **David Linden** (Glasgow East): What assessment he has made of the adequacy of the List of Ministers' Interests in ensuring that Ministers (a) declare and (b) avoid any conflict of interest. (900262)
- 18 **Nick Smith** (Blaenau Gwent): Whether he has had discussions with the Independent Adviser on Ministers' Interests on declarations of interest by the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs. (900263)

- 19 **Ashley Dalton** (West Lancashire): What recent discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs on strengthening national flooding preparedness. (900264)
- 20 **James Murray** (Ealing North): What steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help ensure value for money in public procurement. (900265)
- 21 **Gerald Jones** (Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney): What recent steps his Department has taken to help ensure that government services meet the needs of veterans and their families. (900266)
- 22 **Clive Efford** (Eltham): What recent assessment he has made of trends in the level of compliance with the Ministerial Code. (900267)
- 23 **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): Whether he has had discussions with the Independent Adviser on Ministers' Interests on declarations of interest by the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs. (900268)
- 24 **Sir Bernard Jenkin** (Harwich and North Essex): What assessment he has made of the potential impact of staff turnover in the civil service on domain knowledge and subject expertise among senior civil servants. (900269)
- 25 **Jon Trickett** (Hemsworth): What steps he is taking to increase transparency of lobbying by businesses. (900270)

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### Topical Questions to the Minister for the Cabinet Office

- T1 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): If he will make a statement on his departmental responsibilities. (900271)
- T2 **Neale Hanvey** (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath): (900272)
- T3 **Jon Trickett** (Hemsworth): (900273)
- T4 **Sarah Dyke** (Somerton and Frome): (900274)
- T5 **Mike Kane** (Wythenshawe and Sale East): (900275)
- T6 **Andrew Western** (Stretford and Urmston): (900276)
- T7 **Mr Alistair Carmichael** (Orkney and Shetland): (900277)
- T8 **Alison McGovern** (Wirral South): (900278)
- T9 **Andrew Bridgen** (North West Leicestershire): (900279)
- T10 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): (900280)
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## Questions for Answer on Thursday 30 November

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Mr Tobias Ellwood** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to improve access to NHS dentistry in (a) Bournemouth East constituency and (b) the South West. (2285)