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# **Questions tabled on Friday 17 November 2023**

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- T Indicates a topical oral question. Members are selected by ballot to ask a Topical Question.
- † Indicates a Question not included in the random selection process but accepted because the quota for that day had not been filled.
- 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.

### Questions for Answer on Monday 20 November

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

Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will commission research into the causes of e-cycle battery fires.

[Transferred] (2347)

- Justin Tomlinson (North Swindon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department are taking to ensure that developers are installing school sports pitches that are (a) safe and (b) meet quality standards. [Transferred] (2331)
- Peter Gibson (Darlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, 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.[Transferred] (2374)
- 4 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people (a) were given and (b) had Indefinite Leave to Remain in each year since 1993. (2428)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what information his Department holds on the number of incidents of violence against shop workers in Northern Ireland in each of the last five years. [Transferred] (2147)

## Questions for Answer on Tuesday 21 November

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

- Carolyn Harris (Swansea East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she has had recent discussions with the gambling industry on the potential impact of safer gambling week on (a) the volume of (i) marketing and (ii) direct marketing offers, (b) game speed and (c) gambling harm. (2409)
- 2 Carolyn Harris (Swansea East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she has had recent discussions with the gambling industry on the effectiveness of safer gambling week for reducing gambling harm. (2410)
- Bambos Charalambous (Enfield, Southgate): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what reforms on (a) mediation and (b) choice of education placement for children and young people who have an Education, Health and Care plan are being tested as part of the SEND Change Programme. (2425)
- 4 **Bambos Charalambous** (Enfield, Southgate): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to strengthen mediation through the SEND Change Programme; and what outcome measures will be used to determine the success of those changes. (2426)
- Bambos Charalambous (Enfield, Southgate): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will publish the new national template for Education, Health and Care plans that is being tested by SEND Change Programme Partnerships. (2427)
- Mr Kevan Jones (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate he has made of the number of vets who are able to provide a Certificate of Exemption for ownership of an American Bulldog XL by 1 February 2024. (2393)
- Patrick Grady (Glasgow North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he is taking steps to support the provision of nutritionally balanced plant-based meals on menus for staff in public sector bodies under his Department's responsibility. (2404)
- 8 Charlotte Nichols (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make it his policy to collate data on the number and proportion of train journeys that did not stop at a scheduled station due to late running in each train company in each year. (2435)
- 9 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what information his Department holds on the number and proportion of takeaway delivery drivers that do not have adequate car insurance. (2434)
- 10 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make an estimate of the number and proportion of people who were unable to access support due to the annual cap on the Access to Work grant were deaf in each of the last five years. (2413)

- Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has had recent discussions with NHS Scotland on ensuring that newly-licensed Alzheimer's treatments are made available to patients as soon as possible in all regions of the UK. (2411)
- Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to incentivise overseas researchers to undertake clinical trials on dementia research in the UK. (2412)
- 13 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many mental health ambulances are in service in (a) London and (b) England. (2414)
- 14 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many calls were responded to by mental health ambulances in London in each of the last 12 months for which data is available. (2415)
- 15 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of extending eligibility for the NHS Learning Support Fund to people studying pharmaceutical science at (a) undergraduate and (b) postgraduate level. (2436)
- 16 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will make it her policy to encourage optometrists to make home visits upon request. (2398)
- 17 **Sir Mike Penning** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of allowing GPs to prescribe a covid-19 booster vaccination to vulnerable patients not specifically listed as being in a clinical risk group. (2395)
- Henry Smith (Crawley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of (a) updates to the programme manual used by the National Institute of Health and Care Excellence including Rapid Access to Managed Access and (b) the introduction of the Innovative Medicines Fund. (2397)
- 19 Dame Margaret Hodge (Barking): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment he has made of the
  implications for his policies of the (a) detainment and (b) treatment of Dr Gubad
  Ibadoghlu in Azerbaijan. (2389)
- 20 Dame Margaret Hodge (Barking): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Office, what discussions he has had with his
  counterparts in the Azerbaijani government on Dr Gubad Ibadoghlu. (2390)
- 21 Dame Margaret Hodge (Barking): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has had recent discussions
  with his counterparts in the Overseas Territories on introducing publicly accessible
  registers of company beneficial ownership by the end of 2023. (2391)

- 22N Derek Thomas (St Ives): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps his Department plans to take to help establish new high-seas marine protected areas under the Biodiversity beyond National Jurisdiction Agreement.
  [Transferred] (2368)
- Neil O'Brien (Harborough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
  Department, how many people (a) were granted and (b) held UK citizenship in
  each year since 1993. (2429)
- Neil O'Brien (Harborough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
  Department, how many people who had not been refused entry at ports were
  subject to (a) enforced, (b) facilitated and (c) voluntary deportations in each year
  between 1993 and 2005.

  (2430)
- 25 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people who had previously sought asylum in the UK were subject to (a) enforced and (b) voluntary deportation each year between 1993 and 2010.
- Neil O'Brien (Harborough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
  Department, how many and what proportion of asylum claims resulted in (a)
  asylum being granted, (b) permission to stay for other reasons, (c) refusal, (d)
  withdrawal in each year since 1993; and how many and what proportion of those
  claims are still pending.
- Andrew Percy (Brigg and Goole): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate he has made of the cost to the public purse for policing (a) national and (b) regional marches in relation to the Israel-Hamas conflict since 7 October 2023. (2396)
- Ruth Cadbury (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many community sentences were issued in each month in 2023; and what estimate he has made of the potential impact of the proposed presumption against short sentences on the number of community sentences issued in each month.
- 29 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of planned changes to the presumption against short sentences announced on 16th October 2023 on the workload of the probation service. (2401)
- 30 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many people supervised by the probation service were on Post Sentence Supervision licences in each of the last 12 months. (2402)
- Ruth Cadbury (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the presumption against short sentences on the prison population in the next (a) 12 months, (b) 24 months and (c) 5 years.

Patrick Grady (Glasgow North): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what assessment she has made of the implications for her policies of the Vegan Society's report entitled Catering for Everyone: How far are councils catering for vegans published September 2023. (2405)

### Questions for Answer on Wednesday 22 November

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

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- 1N Karin Smyth (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate his department has made of the (a) number of applicants awaiting a decision and (b) average time between receipt of an application and such a decision being made under the Disability Living Allowance for children as of 17 November 2023.
- 2N **Jim McMahon** (Oldham West and Royton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate she has made of the cost to the public purse of replacing the reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete in Royal Oldham Hospital. (2420)
- 3N **Jim McMahon** (Oldham West and Royton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what her Department's timescale is for removing the reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete in Royal Oldham Hospital. (2421)
- 4N **Jim McMahon** (Oldham West and Royton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will publish the number of registered dentists in (a) Oldham and (b) England in each year since 2010.
- 5N **Jim McMahon** (Oldham West and Royton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many (a) adult and (b) child NHS dental patients in (i) Oldham and (ii) England have seen a dentist in each year since 2010. (2423)
- 6N **Jim McMahon** (Oldham West and Royton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the average waiting time was for registering with an NHS dentist in (a) Oldham and (b) England in the latest period for which data is available.
- 7N Karin Smyth (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate she has made of the number of children awaiting a community paediatrics appointment in England as of 17 November 2023. (2406)
- 8N Karin Smyth (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate she has made of the average waiting time for a community paediatric appointment in England as of 17 November 2023. (2407)

- 9N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will raise with the UN the issue of the failure of the Indian Government to respond to the letter of 16 August 2023 from the UN Rapporteurs for Freedom of Religion or Belief and for Minority Issues on religious persecution in that country.
- 10N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps his Department is taking to
  help support (a) Somalia and (b) other countries in the Horn of Africa following
  the recent floods.

  (2394)
- 11N **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many irregular migrants have (a) arrived in small boats and (b) been deported since 2018. (2433)

### Questions for Answer on Thursday 23 November

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

- 1N Ashley Dalton (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with the Minister of the Cabinet Office on strengthening national flooding preparedness.[Transferred] (900264)
- 2N Holly Lynch (Halifax): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with the Minister for the Cabinet Office on strengthening national flooding preparedness. [Transferred] (900258)
- 3N **Mr Rob Roberts** (Delyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the impact of devolution arrangements on the strength of the Union. [Transferred] (900248)
- 4N Jamie Stone (Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he has had recent discussions with Cabinet colleagues on the impact of devolution arrangements on the strength of the Union.

  [Transferred] (900259)
- 5N **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the (a) expenditure limit and (b) actual spend was for agency staffing spend for each NHS (i) integrated care system, (ii) trust and (iii) foundation in the 2022-23 financial year; and what the expenditure limit will be for each organisation in the 2023-24 financial year. (2416)

- 6N Wes Streeting (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, by how much and what proportion the (a) total, (b) substantive, (c) bank and (d) agency workforce will change at each NHS (i) integrated care system, (ii) trust and (iii) foundation trust in the 2023-24 financial year. (2417)
- 7N Wes Streeting (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the (a) total, (b) substantive, (c) bank and (d) agency workforce was at each NHS (i) integrated care system, (ii) trust and (iii) foundation trust in (A) April and (B) September 2023.
- 8N Wes Streeting (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Answer of 30 March 2023 to Question 159027 on NHS: Expenditure, how much NHS England, clinical commissioning groups and integrated care boards spent in aggregate on (a) mental health services, (b) acute health services, (c) social care services, (d) primary medical care, (e) other primary care services, (f) continuing healthcare, (g) specialised services, and (h) other main categories of spending in each financial year since 2015-16; and how much NHS England and integrated care boards plan to spend in aggregate in each of those areas in 2023-24.
- 9N **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of imposing sanctions on Nigeria if Nnamdi Kanu is not released. (2399)