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Questions tabled on Wednesday 22 November 2023

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Questions for Answer on Thursday 23 November

Questions for Written Answer

John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many veterans were reported as being homeless in each year since 2010.

[Transferred] (2768)

- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what data his Department holds on trends in the level of theft in rural areas in the last five years.
 [Transferred] (2896)
- 3 Mr Tobias Ellwood (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps the Government is taking to help support women in business.

 [Transferred] (2810)
- Charlotte Nichols (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 8 November 2023 to Question 947 on Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership: Pesticides, when her Department plans to publish the report by the Trade and Agriculture Commission; and how much notice her Department plans to provide to hon. Members that the treaty will be laid.

 [Transferred] (2994)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps she has taken to address the illegal sale of fireworks to underage people in England.

 [Transferred] (2797)

- Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to tackle (a) antisemitism and (b) Islamophobia.

 [Transferred] (2961)
- 7 **Julie Elliott** (Sunderland Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people released under investigation in each year since 2017 went on to commit another offence. [Transferred] (2874)
- 8 Tahir Ali (Birmingham, Hall Green): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make it his policy to use revenue generated by new North Sea oil and gas licensing to fund green energy initiatives.

 [Transferred] (2943)

Questions for Answer on Monday 27 November

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if his Department will take steps to implement all the recommendations of the Second Interim Report of the Infected Blood Inquiry, published 5 April 2023. (3320)
- Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he has had recent discussions with the Chair of the Infected Blood Inquiry on the impact of the delay to the publication of its final report on people affected.
 (3321)
- 3N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to paragraph 5.6 of the Autumn Statement 2023, CP977, over what timeframe the £10 million funding to support veterans will be spent. (3091)
- 4N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to paragraph 5.6 of the Autumn Statement 2023, CP977, whether the £10 million commitment to support veterans is new funding. (3092)
- 5N **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the oral statement of 21 November 2023 by the Minister for Veterans' Affairs, Official Report, column 214, how much the rebranding of Veterans UK will cost.
- 6N Seema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the oral contribution of the Minister for Veterans' Affairs on 8 November 2023, Official Report, column 114, what responsibility the Minister for Veterans' Affairs has for Pathway Two of the Afghan Citizens Resettlement Scheme.

- 7 **Stewart Malcolm McDonald** (Glasgow South): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the National Security Council has carried out a national security risk assessment of the potential threat posed by Chinese-made cellular internet of things modules. (3276)
- 8 **Stewart Malcolm McDonald** (Glasgow South): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the regulatory framework for Chinese-made cellular internet of things modules. (3277)
- 9 **Stewart Malcolm McDonald** (Glasgow South): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what assessment he has made of the prevalence of the use of Chinesemade cellular internet of things modules in (a) government (i) properties and (ii) services and (b) national infrastructure; and what steps he is taking to mitigate potential risks of the use of those modules.
- 10N **Derek Twigg** (Halton): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, when he plans to publish the results of the the Veteran's Survey, launched on 10 November 2022. (3105)
- 11N Dame Angela Eagle (Wallasey): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will ask Companies House for a planned timescale for its response to the correspondence of 2 November 2023 from the hon. Member for Wallasey on a company unknown to the resident registered at a residential address. (3128)
- 12 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will hold discussions with (a) Cabinet colleagues and (b) HM Prison and Probation Service on steps to help increase the number of ex offenders in employment. (3088)
- 13 Conor McGinn (St Helens North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many people are on zero hour contracts in (a) St Helens North constituency and (b) the North West. (3272)
- 14 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what the value of trade was between the UK and (a) Vanuatu, (b) Solomon Islands and (c) Tuvalu in the latest period for which data is available. (3153)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent progress she has made on trade talks with Switzerland. (3154)
- 16N Alistair Strathern (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many households have been awarded funding for energy efficiency installations under the ECO4 scheme in (a) Mid Bedfordshire constituency and (b) Bedfordshire. (3405)
- 17N Alistair Strathern (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what (a) financial and (b) other steps her Department is taking to encourage the creation of businesses in (i) Mid Bedfordshire constituency and (ii) Bedfordshire.

- 18N Alistair Strathern (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many SMEs in Mid Bedfordshire constituency have received Government funding in each of the last three years.
 - (3407)
- 19N Alistair Strathern (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of increasing funding for renewable energy projects in Mid Bedfordshire constituency.

(3408)

20 Tahir Ali (Birmingham, Hall Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of bringing forward legislative proposals to restrict advertising for high-carbon products and services.

(3343)

21 Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what recent progress her Department has made on introducing an independent football regulator. (3319)

- 22N Damian Collins (Folkestone and Hythe): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, how much funding has been provided by (a) Sport England and (b) the Arts Council for projects in the Folkestone and Hythe district in each year since 2010; and which projects in the district have received such funding. (3189)
- 23N Lilian Greenwood (Nottingham South): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment she has made of the implications for her policies of the impact of energy costs on the charity sector. (3197)
- 24N Lilian Greenwood (Nottingham South): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she has had recent discussions with representatives of charities on (a) capacity and (b) trends in the level of demand for their services. (3198)
- 25N Lilian Greenwood (Nottingham South): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will make an assessment of the level of financial resilience in the charity sector. (3199)
- 26N Lilian Greenwood (Nottingham South): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what discussions she has had with the Secretary of State for Education on the potential impact of the cost of living on university students' ability to participate in volunteering. (3200)
- Carolyn Harris (Swansea East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will make an assessment of the implications for her policies of the University of Bristol research paper entitled, The prevalence of gambling adverts during the opening weekend of the English Premier League 2023-23, published 2024; and if she will take legislative steps to reduce the number of gambling adverts shown during football matches. (3409)
- 28 Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will make it her policy to freeze the television licence fee in 2024. (3252)

- 29 Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she has had discussions with the Television Licensing Authority on the potential merits of expanding payment exemptions for the television licence fee. (3253)
- Tahir Ali (Birmingham, Hall Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department plans to take to improve the safety of teenage care leavers living in semi-independent accommodation. (3345)
- Sarah Champion (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to help parents access specialist support needed to enable their child to (a) fully participate in school life and (b) avoid being regularly absent.

 (3237)
- 32N **Damian Collins** (Folkestone and Hythe): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much funding has been provided for school buildings in the Folkestone and Hythe district for each year since 2010; and how much funding was received by each school in the district in each of those years. (3188)
- 33N Stella Creasy (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the oral contribution of the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Education to the question from the hon. Member for Walthamstow of 23 October 2023, Official Report, column 585, what metrics her Department plans to use to measure the success of the childcare staff recruitment campaign. (3212)
- 34N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the oral contribution of the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Education to the question from the hon. Member for Walthamstow of 23 October 2023, Official Report, column 585, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the expansion of subsidised childcare hours on the number of childcare staff required to meet demand. (3213)
- 35N Stella Creasy (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the oral contribution of the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Education on 23 October 2023, Official Report, column 585, what discussions her Department had with relevant stakeholders when designing the childcare staff recruitment campaign; and if she will publish (a) summaries of those discussions and (b) other evidence her Department received on the establishment of the recruitment campaign.
- 36N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the oral contribution of the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Education on 23 October 2023, Official Report, column 585, what estimates her Department made when developing the childcare staff recruitment campaign of the (a) number and (b) proportion of childcare staff that are likely to leave the sector in the next three years.

- 37N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the oral contribution of the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Education on 23 October 2023, Official Report, column 585, what the budget will be of the childcare staff recruitment campaign in each of the next three financial years.
- 38N **Ashley Dalton** (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to ensure equitable standards of SEND provision in (a) urban and (b) rural communities. (3387)
- 39N **Ashley Dalton** (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to ensure there is adequate funding for the provision of SEND services in rural schools. (3388)
- 40 **Peter Gibson** (Darlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will take steps to strengthen the training for local authority SEND officers and mediators on helping to ensure that correct decisions are made on education, health and care plans. (3347)
- 41 Tom Hunt (Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has had recent discussions with Ofsted on the steps it takes to collect data on the (a) skills training, (b) further education, (c) apprenticeships, (d) work and (e) other activities taken up by post-17 school leavers with special educational needs and disabilities.
- 42N Barbara Keeley (Worsley and Eccles South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many applications have been received for funding from the music hub investment programme (a) in total and (b) in each geographic area as of 22 November 2023.
- 43N Barbara Keeley (Worsley and Eccles South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of contacting successful applicants to the Music Hub Investment Programme before April 2024. (3169)
- 44N Barbara Keeley (Worsley and Eccles South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate she has made of the number of apprenticeships in the music industry in each academic year since 2018-19. (3170)
- 45N **Barbara Keeley** (Worsley and Eccles South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what proportion of state-funded secondary schools had their own music performance facilities in (a) 2010, (b) 2015, (c) 2019 and (d) 2022. (3171)
- 46N Barbara Keeley (Worsley and Eccles South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what her Department's planned timescale for launching its Cultural Education Plan is. (3172)
- 47 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent progress she has made on the implementation of plans for students to be offered a Natural History GCSE by September 2025; and when she plans to publish details of the proposed consultation on subject content for that GCSE. (3175)

- 48 **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment she has made of the adequacy of the ratio of special educational need and disability teaching staff to pupils in (a) Selby and Ainsty constituency and (b) North Yorkshire.
- 49 Keir Mather (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps the Government is taking to support young people unable to attend school as a result of having long covid. (3395)
- Charlotte Nichols (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with refence to her Department's press release entitled Crackdown on rip-off university degrees, published on 17 July 2023, on which degree courses she plans to increase controls.
- 51 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to tackle antisemitism in higher education. (3190)
- 52 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to (a) promote and (b) improve lifelong learning. (3191)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure that schools are able to carry out high quality repairs on their buildings. (3226)
- 54N **Mr Alistair Carmichael** (Orkney and Shetland): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps she plans to take to incentivise the development of low-carbon cement technologies. (3139)
- 55N **Mr Alistair Carmichael** (Orkney and Shetland): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether she has had discussions with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on funding to support the development of the low-carbon cement sector.

 (3140)
- 56N **Mr Alistair Carmichael** (Orkney and Shetland): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what discussions she has had with the Construction Industry Council on decarbonising the cement industry. (3141)
- 57N Dame Angela Eagle (Wallasey): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure that people who have been employed by the United Kingdom Atom Engineering Authority receive their pension. (3126)
- 58N Dame Angela Eagle (Wallasey): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps her Department is taking to help prevent energy companies from attempting to recover debt that customers have inherited from previous tenants. (3127)

59 **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether she has had discussions with Ofgem about the level of compensation for customers from Eon Next for poor customer service.

(3280)

60N **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment her Department has made of the impact of wide area network coverage on the availability of smart meters.

(3281)

61 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will make it her policy to sign affordable power purchase agreements with Sizewell C nuclear power station.

(3177)

- 62 **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department has taken to support rural households in Selby and Ainsty constituency with increases in the cost of energy. (3392)
- 63 **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many miners were recipients of the Mineworkers' Pension Scheme in (a) Selby and Ainsty constituency and (b) nationally in November 2023.

(3393)

- 64 Charlotte Nichols (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the Answer of 16 June 2023 to Question 189111 on Energy Bills Rebate: Boats, what recent progress her Department has made on establishing a method for boaters without permanent moorings to prove that their boat is their main or sole residence. (3367)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will take steps to fund research into the use of biomethane in gas supply.

 (3150)
- 66N **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will hold discussions with Ofgem on the potential merits of including standing charges for the non-domestic sector in its review of standing charges on energy bills, announced on 16 November 2023.
- 67 **Sammy Wilson** (East Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment his Department has made of the impact of the disability cost of living payment on levels of poverty among disabled people. (3173)
- 68N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what mitigation measures are available to developers of brownfield land who have been affected by the ban on phosphates in central Christchurch. (3081)

- 69N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what the target date is for the completion of works to upgrade the Stony Lane Wastewater Treatment plant in Christchurch; and whether the upgrade will require the removal of all phosphates. (3082)
- 70N Sir Christopher Chope (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what data his Department holds on (a) the level of phosphorus in, (b) the nutrient budget calculation for phosphorus in, (c) the required reduction in phosphorus levels to meet water quality targets for and (d) the date by which that reduction must be achieved for the River Avon Special Area of Conservation; and what steps Natural England is taking to meet those targets.
- 71N **Dr Thérèse Coffey** (Suffolk Coastal): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many applications to the Sustainable Farming Incentive 2023 have been (a) made and (b) approved in Suffolk Coastal constituency. (3217)
- 72 Tracey Crouch (Chatham and Aylesford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to bring forward legislative proposals to prohibit the import of hunting trophies. (3183)
- 73N **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what progress has been made on the construction of the River Parrett tidal barrier. (3315)
- 74 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of bringing forward legislative proposals to amend the list of animals which are protected in Schedule 5 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 to include hedgehogs. (3085)
- 75 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has had discussions with the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities on the use of hedgehog-friendly fencing for new-build housing. (3086)
- Mr Ranil Jayawardena (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of increasing the ability of local authorities to design local waste disposal services. (3302)
- 77 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the Answer of 18 October 2022 to Question 65693 on the Office for Environmental Protection, when she plans to publish the summary of the business case for the Office for Environmental Protection.

- Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the Answer of 16 June 2020 to Question 57159 on Environment Protection, when he plans to embed the environmental principles detailed in Section 17 of the Environment Act 2021 into HM Treasury's Green Book.
- 79 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to Schedule 17 of the Environment Act 2021, what his timetable is for the publication of regulations to implement due diligence obligations on specified forest risk commodities. (3180)
- 80 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of increasing investment in flood defence schemes. (3287)
- 81 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will undertake a review of the Government funding provided to catchment flood management plans. (3288)
- 82 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will accept the recommendations of the Animal Welfare Committee's report entitled Update to the 2014 FAWC Opinion on the welfare of farmed fish at the time of killing, published in February 2023. (3306)
- 83 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will take steps with relevant authorities to help tackle the prevalence of toxic algae that is harmful to dogs in waterways.

 (3148)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will take steps to fund research into bioplastics. (3149)
- 85 **Selaine Saxby** (North Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when his Department plans to publish the research study into single use sky lanterns, disposable barbecues and helium balloons that concluded in March 2023. (3376)
- Greg Smith (Buckingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent estimate he has made of the acreage of farm land used for (a) housing development, (b) commercial development, (c) solar panels and (d) battery storage in each of the last five years.
- 87 **Tahir Ali** (Birmingham, Hall Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what research his Department has undertaken on the causes of trends in the instances of flooding in cities. (3340)
- 88N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to the oral contribution of the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Levelling Up of 20 November 2023, Official report, column 33, what his Department's policy is on levelling up in Northern Ireland in the absence of the Northern Ireland Executive. (3135)

- 89N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department is taking steps to help ensure that new homes are built in areas subject to a ban on residential development solely due to a nearby river catchment having excess phosphates in the water; and if he will differentiate developments already the subject of planning applications approvals from proposals not yet submitted. (3084)
- 90 **Ben Everitt** (Milton Keynes North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that commercial premises that are converted to residential use provide an adequate level of (a) affordable housing and (b) homes for social rent. (3374)
- 91 **Ben Everitt** (Milton Keynes North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of the Local Authority Housing Fund on the number of (a) commercial buildings that have been converted to residential use and (b) long-term empty homes that have been converted to affordable housing.
- 92 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will have discussions with housing developers on (a) the use of hedgehog-friendly fencing with new-build housing and (b) other potential steps to support hedgehogs in the design of new-build housing.

 (3087)
- 93 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what the deadline for applications to The Grenfell Assisted Home Ownership Scheme is. (3250)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of bringing forward legislative proposals to enable local authorities to hold elections using the single transferable voting system. (3255)
- 95 Conor McGinn (St Helens North): 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) St Helens and (b) the North West.

 (3269)
- 96 Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what support he provides to local authorities to help provide post-adoption support. (3310)
- 97 Andrew Percy (Brigg and Goole): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps his Department is taking to help first-time home buyers with their deposits. (3181)
- 98 Andrew Percy (Brigg and Goole): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps his Department is taking to help home buyers purchase properties in areas of above average house price growth. (3182)

- 99 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
 Housing and Communities, if he will have discussions with local authorities on
 establishing community hubs with the aim of helping to tackle (a) poverty and (b)
 social isolation in (i) Romford and (ii) England.

 (3147)
- 100 **Greg Smith** (Buckingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of highways funding for (a) Buckinghamshire and (b) England. (3363)
- 101NSir Stephen Timms (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
 Housing and Communities, which UK Shared Prosperity Fund projects have been
 selected for randomised controlled trials as part of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund
 evaluation strategy.

 (3076)
- 102 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he has made an assessment of the potential implications for his Department's polices of the British Red Cross' report entitled Fearing, fleeing, facing the future: how people displaced by the conflict in Ukraine are finding safety in the UK, published on 24 February 2023. (3307)
- 103NChi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, with reference to paragraph 4.83 of the Autumn Statement 2023, CP 977, whether the £20 million of funding announced doubles the existing funding for dementia research; and from which Department's budget the funding comes.
- 104NChi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, with reference to paragraph 4.49 of the Autumn Statement 2023, CP 977, published on 22 November, whether the £750 million of R&D spend is in addition to existing R&D funding. (3220)
- 105NChi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, with reference to the Government response to the independent report by Sir Paul Nurse entitled Research, development and innovation (RDI) organisational landscape: an independent review, published on 1 October 2021, what the (a) milestones, (b) deliverables and (c) timelines are for the review of the future of QR research funding.
- 106 **Tahir Ali** (Birmingham, Hall Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to increase road safety in inner city areas. (3341)
- 107 Andrew Bridgen (North West Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many properties were purchased by HS2 Ltd using compulsory purchase orders in (a) North West Leicestershire constituency and (b) the UK. [R] (3231)
- 108NBill Esterson (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has had recent discussions with fuel retailers on the level of fuel prices on motorways.

 (3202)

- 109NBill Esterson (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an assessment of the implications for his policies of the difference between fuel prices (a) on and (b) not on motorways. (3203)
- 110N Bill Esterson (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an estimate of the trend in the level of average fuel prices in the period between 25 October 2023 and 22 November 2023. (3204)
- 111N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the average price for fuel was at (a) motorway stations and (b) other petrol and diesel stations in the latest period for which data is available. (3205)
- 112 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if his Department will commission research on the potential impact of pavement parking on (a) disabled people and (b) other pedestrians. (3298)
- 113 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will take steps to reduce the cost of repairs to pavements that have been damaged by pavement parking.

 (3299)
- 114 Andrew Gwynne (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for
 Transport, what steps his Department is taking to tackle pavement parking in
 Denton and Reddish constituency. (3159)
- 115 Andrew Gwynne (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department has had with discussions with (a) Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council and (b) Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council on prohibition of pavement parking. (3160)
- 116 Andrew Gwynne (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for
 Transport, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of pavement
 parking on levels of public transport use. (3161)
- 117 **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate he has made of levels of support for a default pavement parking ban among disabled people. (3162)
- 118 **Mr Ranil Jayawardena** (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an estimate of the level of lead emissions arising from the use of (a) leaded and (b) other fuel in the aviation sector in the UK in the last 12 months.
- 119 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to help tackle pavement parking in Liverpool.

 (3369)
- 120 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department has had recent discussions with Liverpool City Council on the potential merits of prohibiting pavement parking in Liverpool. (3370)

- 121 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that all roads have an accessible width of footway.

 (3371)
- 122 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an estimate of the cost of damage to pavements caused by pavement parking in the last 12 months. (3372)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department has received representations on services at Altnabreac railway station from Network Rail.
 (3245)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether the DVLA holds data on the number of enquiries submitted by hon. Members during the month of January 2023. (3249)
- 125 Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many enquiries were submitted to the DVLA by Rt hon. and hon. Members in February 2023.
 (3256)
- 126N Sir Greg Knight (East Yorkshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the roadworks on the M62 at the Ouse bridge, what estimate his Department has made of when (a) those roadworks will be completed, (b) the temporary speed limits will be removed and (c) all lanes will be open to traffic; and what steps his Department is taking to expedite the completion of those works.
- 127 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of the Climate Change Committee's recommendation that no airport expansions should proceed until a UK-wide capacity management framework is in place as set out in their Progress Report to Parliament, published 28 June 2023. (3176)
- 128 **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what plans his Department has to support rural bus services in (a) Selby and Ainsty constituency and (b) Yorkshire. (3401)
- 129 **Stewart Malcolm McDonald** (Glasgow South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the Answer of 25 July 2023 to Question 194820 on Smart Devices: China, which agency is responsible for monitoring the potential security threat posed by Chinese-made cellular internet of things modules in critical infrastructure. (3273)
- 130 **Stewart Malcolm McDonald** (Glasgow South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the Answer of 25 July 2023 to Question 194820 on Smart Devices: China, which areas of the transport sector employ cellular internet of things module technology as of 22 November 2023. (3274)

- 131 **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many times his Department answered Named Day written parliamentary questions stating that it would not be possible to answer a question within the usual time period in the last 12 months. (3185)
- 132 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he is taking steps with the Secretary of State for the Home Department to help tackle car convoys making political protests that block roads. (3146)
- 133 **Tahir Ali** (Birmingham, Hall Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether he plans to take steps to help low income pensioners with the cost of living.

 (3342)
- 134N**Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people (a) applied for and (b) received Specified Adult Childcare credits in each of the last three years. (3134)
- 135N Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of the level of the over 80 pension.

 (3318)
- 136N Damian Collins (Folkestone and Hythe): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what proportion of cost of living support has been accounted for by spending in Folkestone and Hythe constituency in each year since 2019. (3187)
- 137 Alberto Costa (South Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of requiring (a) pension companies to hold a consultation when considering closing a defined benefit pension scheme and (b) independent assessment of the potential closure of such a scheme.
- 138 Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many cases relating to (a) Universal Credit, (b) Employment and Support Allowance and (c) Personal Independence Payments were taken to the (i) High Court, (ii) Court of Appeal and (ii) Supreme Court since 2017; and in how many of those cases was the judgment in favour of his Department. (3330)
- 139 Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how much his Department has spent on legal cases relating to (a) Universal Credit, (b) Employment and Support Allowance, and (c) Personal Independence Payment financial support since 2017.
- 140NDame Angela Eagle (Wallasey): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, when the Pension Tracing Service plans to the follow-up to the hon.

 Member for Wallasey's original correspondence of 10 January 2023 on tracing a United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority pension. (3130)
- 141 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate she has made of the (a) number of Attendance Allowance claimants who were contacted by decision-makers to give an explanation for their

decision between 1 April and 30 September 2023 after the claimant had already requested a mandatory reconsideration and (b) proportion of those calls which resulted in the original mandatory reconsideration request not being actioned. (3297)

- 142NJohn Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the Answer of 12 July 2023 to Question 193037 on Universal Credit: Armed Forces, how many Universal Credit claimants have been identified as (a) serving and (b) having served in the armed forces for the assessment period ending on 1 July 2023.
- 143NRachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and
 Pensions, what recent assessment he has made of the potential effect of benefit
 sanctions on affected people's mental health. (3282)
- 144NRachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment he has made of the potential impact of the imposition of benefit sanctions on levels of demand for other public services. (3283)
- 145 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make an assessment of the reasons for which some benefits claimants refuse to engage with their local Jobcentres. (3286)
- 146 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps he is taking to help tackle pensioner poverty. (3289)
- 147 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to help reduce the number of (a) mandatory reconsiderations of and (b) appeals made by people claiming Universal Credit.
- 148 **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many universal credit claims were subject to deductions in the most recent month for which data is available in Selby and Ainsty constituency. (3402)
- 149 **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether he has made a recent assessment of the potential merits of including sarcoidosis in the list of prescribed industrial injuries for ex coal miners. (3403)
- 150 **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent steps he has taken to improve the accuracy of [the information collected on parent finances] by the Child Maintenance Service. (3404)
- 151N John McDonnell (Hayes and Harlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many on average Universal Credit claimants' cases are overseen by each Universal Credit Case Manager as of November 2023. (3077)
- 152N**John McDonnell** (Hayes and Harlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, which categories of claimants had their contact with work coaches reduced in the last 12 months. (3078)

- 153N**John McDonnell** (Hayes and Harlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many vacancies there are within his Department; and what recent estimate he has made of the number of full-time equivalent staff that will be employed by his Department by the end of 2024. (3079)
- 154N**John McDonnell** (Hayes and Harlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make an estimate of the cost to the public purse of increasing the local housing allowance to the 50th percentile of local market rents.
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps he is taking to support people who wish to continue working over state pension age. (3227)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to page 10 of Parkinson's UK's publication entitled Nowhere near enough, published in April 2023, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his Department's policies of the finding on the proportion of PIP claims made by people with Parkinson's that were initially assessed incorrectly compared with the general PIP claimant population.
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will take steps to ensure that PIP assessors receive adequate training relating to
 (a) Parkinson's disease, (b) multiple sclerosis, (c) Crohn's disease and (d) colitis. (3229)
- 158 **Mohammad Yasin** (Bedford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of allowing future childcare costs to be met in advance through Universal Credit rather than being recovered retrospectively. (3311)
- 159 **Tahir Ali** (Birmingham, Hall Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure that medication for attention deficit hyperactivity disorder is readily available to people who need it.
- 160 **Tahir Ali** (Birmingham, Hall Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that NHS cancer treatment services have adequate resources to meet increasing demand. (3344)
- 161 **Tahir Ali** (Birmingham, Hall Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will make it her policy to launch a review of the NHS Continuing Healthcare assessment process for people with dementia. (3346)
- 162 Andrew Bridgen (North West Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what stocks of (a) midazolam, (b) morphine and (c) fentanyl are held in (i) the essential medicines buffer stock and (ii) the UK stockpile of medicines for covid-19 preparedness. (3233)

- 163 Andrew Bridgen (North West Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the guidance by NICE entitled Covid-19 rapid guideline: managing symptoms including at the end of life in the community, NG163, published on 3 April 2020, by what process (a) that guidance was commissioned and (b) the NHS decided (i) to procure Midazolam for use in (A) end-of-life and (B) other patient care and (ii) the quantity of Midazolam it would procure in each of the last four years.
- Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of closures of community ambulance stations on people living in rural areas. (3353)
- Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to monitor the effectiveness of hybrid closed loop technology implementation on (i) glycaemic control, (ii) quality of life and (iii) reduction in complications for patients. (3354)
- Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she plans to (a) involve patients with and (b) raise awareness of the (i) potential merits and (ii) availability of hybrid closed loop technology. (3355)
- 167 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to help ensure access to hybrid closed loop technology. (3356)
- Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to support equal access to (a) hybrid closed loop and (b) other new medical technologies. (3357)
- 169 **Martyn Day** (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department has taken to ensure that second generation GLP-1 weight management medications are being (a) sold and (b) marketed according to their licence specifications. (3292)
- 170 **Martyn Day** (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether her Department is taking steps to prevent second generation GLP-1 weight management medications being available for purchase online without prescription. (3293)
- 171 Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether her Department has held discussions with the MHRA on preventing unlicensed online (a) marketing and (b) sale of second generation GLP-1 weight management medications. (3294)
- 172 Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of the powers of the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency to prevent the illegal online (a) marketing and (b) sale of (i) second generation GLP-1 weight management and (ii) other potentially hazardous medications. (3295)

- 173 Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many prosecutions have been brought against sellers of (a) second generation GLP-1 weight management medications and (b) other potentially hazardous medications on the internet over the last 12 months. (3296)
- 174 Jackie Doyle-Price (Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the impact of funds dispersed by NHS Blood and Transplant to organisations for the purposes of raising awareness about organ, blood and stem cell donation. (3207)
- 175 **Jackie Doyle-Price** (Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she plans to take to improve patient data on ethnicity. (3208)
- 176 Jackie Doyle-Price (Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she plans to review the impact of the Organ Donation (Deemed Consent) Act 2019 on family consent. (3209)
- 177 **Jackie Doyle-Price** (Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will review the (a) terms of reference and (b) governance of the UK Stem Cell strategic forum. (3210)
- 178 Jackie Doyle-Price (Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of to increasing self-sufficiency in UK stem cell donations. (3211)
- 179 **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when she plans to respond to the email correspondence of 27 September 2023 from the hon. Member for Sefton Central. (3206)
- 180NGill Furniss (Sheffield, Brightside and Hillsborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to help ensure women who use wheelchairs have access to mammograms. (3309)
- 181NPreet Kaur Gill (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will make an estimate of the number of hospital admissions there have been as a result of lung injuries related to e-cigarette or vaping product usage in each of the last 10 years.

 (3312)
- Preet Kaur Gill (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of renaming the Physician Associate job title; and what steps she is taking to provide information on the role of Physician Associates to patients. (3313)
- 183 Chris Green (Bolton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Answer of 20 October 2023 to Question 202779 on Rare Diseases: Drugs, how many single technology appraisals of medicines conducted by the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence for non-orphan medicines resulted in (a) a positive recommendation, (b) an optimised recommendation, (c) a recommendation for managed access, (d) a negative recommendation and (e) termination in each financial year since 2018-19.

- 184 Damian Green (Ashford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when she plans to publish her Department's recommendations for a new care workforce pathway for adult social care. (3075)
- **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the policy paper entitled Stopping the start: our new plan to create a smokefree generation, published on 8 November 2023, whether it is her policy to include cigar-based products in these proposals. (3251)
- **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, which trusts have been identified by Getting It Right First Time as part of its Further Faster pilot to deliver rapid clinical transformation for patients with (a) Crohn's disease and (b) ulcerative colitis. (3314)
- 187 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with refence to paragraph 3.25 of the Autumn Statement 2023 on supporting the long-term unemployed into work, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of removing access to free prescriptions on levels of demand for acute care.

 (3291)
- **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she plans to increase the availability of dental care appointments for veterans. (3391)
- **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to improve treatment plans for long covid.

 (3396)
- **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to increase the availability of medicine supply in (a) Selby and Ainsty constituency and (b) nationally. (3397)
- **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to help people with limited internet capability access online health services. (3398)
- **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to increase the retention of (a) GPs and (b) other primary healthcare staff in North Yorkshire.
- **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent steps he has taken to reduce the waiting times for child and adolescent mental health services in Selby and Ainsty constituency. (3400)
- **Stewart Malcolm McDonald** (Glasgow South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to ensure the security and privacy of patient data transmitted through Chinese-made cellular internet of things modules.

 (3275)

195 **Conor McGinn** (St Helens North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people are on the organ donation waiting list in St Helens North constituency. (3270)

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- 196 Conor McGinn (St Helens North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many mental health ambulances are in service in (a) St Helens North constituency and (b) the North West. (3271)
- 197 **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 20 November 2023 to Question 1862 on Dental Services: Easington, what data is held centrally on access to NHS dental care. (3184)
- 198N**Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, who will own the intellectual property for the Federated Data Platform. (3218)
- 199 **Taiwo Owatemi** (Coventry North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to help prevent community pharmacy closures. (3364)
- 200 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has taken steps to support social clubs for people with dementia in (a) Romford and (b) England. (3143)
- 201 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she has taken to (a) fund and (b) support new dementia (i) treatment and (ii) research in (A) Romford and (B) England. (3144)
- 202 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she has taken to (a) raise awareness and (b) tackle disinformation on dementia in (i) Romford and (ii) England. (3145)
- 203 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to help improve staffing levels in the care sector. (3222)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to ensure that patients will not face delayed (a) diagnoses and (b) treatments under the new system of care navigation and expanded pharmacy services.
- 205 Maggie Throup (Erewash): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the activity conducted in community diagnostic centres, how her Department and NHS England define (a) tests, (b) checks and (c) scans; which specific tests, checks and scans are conducted across the community diagnostic centres programme; and whether she has plans to make provision for further tests, checks and scans to be conducted in community diagnostic centres. (3265)

- 206 Andrew Western (Stretford and Urmston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Answer of 5 July 2018 to Question 158337, on Social Services: Minimum Wage, if she will publish the market analysis referred to in that Answer.
- 207 Tahir Ali (Birmingham, Hall Green): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he plans to take diplomatic steps to improve the conditions for civilians within the Al-Shifa Hospital in Gaza. (3336)
- 208 **Tahir Ali** (Birmingham, Hall Green): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he plans to take diplomatic
 steps in response to China's treatment of the Uyghur people in Xinjiang. (3337)
- 209 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the level of risk of (a) identity-based violence and (b) other potential abuses against members of Tuareg communities in Mali. (3166)
- 210 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, with reference to the decision of the International Parliamentary Union Governing Council on Case SWZ-COLL-01, published on 27 October 2023, what recent steps he has taken to support the rule of law and political space in Eswatini; and whether he has taken recent steps to support (a) trade union and (b) other civil society engagement between organisations based in the UK and Eswatini.
- 211 Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has made an assessment
 of the potential implications for his Department's policies of the statement by
 ActionAid entitled ActionAid partner Al-Awda hospital hit by bombing, killing
 three doctors, published on 21 November 2023. (3316)
- 212N Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment he has made of
 the potential implications for his Department's policies of the International
 Commission of Jurists recent statement entitled, Gaza/Palestine: States have a
 Duty to Prevent Genocide, published 17 November 2023. (3317)
- 213N Neil Coyle (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Office, whether his Department is taking steps
 to help ensure that people working for international aid organisations overseas
 with (a) British and (b) duel British nationality are not aiding or supporting
 proscribed terrorist organisations. (3240)
- 214N Neil Coyle (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that people distributing (a) UK aid and (b) other public funding overseas with (a) British and (b) duel British nationality are not aiding or supporting proscribed terrorist organisations.

- 215 **Stephen Crabb** (Preseli Pembrokeshire): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of reports that Hamas are withholding fuel from civilians in Gaza. (3165)
- 216 **Mr Jonathan Djanogly** (Huntingdon): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent discussions he has had with his Middle Eastern counterparts on the threat to regional security and stability posed by Hamas. (3137)
- 217 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what support his Department provides to the British nationals resident in the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus. (3089)
- 218 Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has had discussions with his Commonwealth counterparts on the potential merits of waiving standard visitor visa fees for citizens across each Commonwealth member state. (3247)
- 219 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment he has made of the
 potential merits of calling for an extension of the humanitarian pause in the
 Israel-Hamas conflict. (3285)
- 220NStewart Malcolm McDonald (Glasgow South): To ask the Minister of State,
 Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, with reference to the Answer
 of 21 November 2023 to Question 1621 on Sri Lanka: Ports, how much UK funding
 was allocated for infrastructure projects that received funding under the Belt and
 Road Initiative in each of the last 10 years.

 (3279)
- 221 Dr Matthew Offord (Hendon): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will make an assessment of the implications for (a) his policies and (b) the Falkland Islands of the election of Javier Milei as the President of Argentina.
 (3194)
- Nicola Richards (West Bromwich East): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has had discussions with his
 Israeli counterpart on the potential implications for his policies of claims made by
 the Israel Defense Forces that they have located a Hamas rocket-making facility
 inside a mosque in the Zeitoun area Gaza City.

 (3377)
- 223 **Ms Marie Rimmer** (St Helens South and Whiston): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment he has made of the legality of the continued incarceration of Nnamdi Kanu. (3267)
- 224 **Ms Marie Rimmer** (St Helens South and Whiston): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what stapes his Department has taken to help ensure Nnamdi Kanu is not subject to capital punishment. (3268)

- 225 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he plans to make official visits
 to (a) Papua New Guinea, (b) Solomon Islands and (c) Tuvalu. (3151)
- 226 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Office, whether the previous Secretary of State
 met the High Commissioner of New Zealand in the last six months. (3152)
- 227 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent discussions he has had with his Australian counterpart on China. (3224)
- 228 **Greg Smith** (Buckingham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent discussions he has had with his Israeli counterpart on Hamas's placement of military infrastructure within civilian areas.(3361)
- 229 **lain Stewart** (Milton Keynes South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has had discussions with his Tunisian counterpart on that country's Parliamentary Committee's approval of a draft bill criminalising the normalisation of relations with Israel; and what assessment he has made of the potential impact of that bill on regional relations.

(3196)

- 230 **Tahir Ali** (Birmingham, Hall Green): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of his Department's average response time to correspondence from Birmingham, Hall Green constituents.
- 231NMr Gregory Campbell (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many passports were issued from HM Passport Office in Belfast in the last three years; and how many and what proportion of these passports were issued to people declaring that they held an Irish passport. (3133)
- 232NMr Gregory Campbell (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will make an assessment of the effectiveness of the fraud sector charter on telecommunications. (3136)
- 233 **Vicky Foxcroft** (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will hold discussions with the Federation of Wholesale Distributors on trends in the level of crime affecting the wholesale sector. (3300)
- 234 Claire Hanna (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, for what reasons some asylum applications take longer to be considered than others. (3373)
- 235NRachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home

 Department, whether he has made an estimate of the number of fire stations that
 have closed per region since 2010.

 (3378)

- 236 **Mr Ranil Jayawardena** (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps his Department is taking to tackle hostile state activity.

 (3303)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department,
 whether his Department holds data on average waiting times to proceed through
 Boarder Force security on arrival at London Heathrow Airport. (3246)
- 238 Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the average waiting time has been to pass Boarder Force security on arrival at London Gatwick Airport in the last 12 months. (3257)
- 239 Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the average waiting time has been to pass Boarder Force security on arrival at London Luton Airport in the last 12 months.
 (3258)
- 240 Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the average waiting time has been to pass Boarder Force security on arrival at London Stansted Airport in the last 12 months.
 (3259)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the average waiting time has been to pass Boarder Force security on arrival at Birmingham International Airport in the last 12 months. (3260)
- 242NPeter Kyle (Hove): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the Answer of 14 November 2023 to Question 1202 on Members:

 Correspondence, if he will make an assessment of the status of the technical issue as of 22 November 2023.
- 243 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what research his Department has commissioned on the (a) impact on communities and (b) economic cost of hate crime in the past three years. (3174)
- 244 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps his Department is taking to counter hostile state activity.

 (3193)
- 245 **Taiwo Owatemi** (Coventry North West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps he is taking to increase the number of community policing teams in the West Midlands. (3365)
- 246 **Taiwo Owatemi** (Coventry North West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many dogs have been destroyed by police since 2019. (3366)
- 247NMaria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many of the recommendations from the 2019 Wigston Review, published in July 2019, have not been fully implemented. (3106)

- 248NMaria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many people in his Department have taken part in the Leading with Empowerment initiative since it was introduced. (3107)
- 249NMaria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many people in his Department (a) had and (b) were awarded accreditations in contract management in each year since 2019. (3108)
- 250NMaria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much funding his Department has allocated for Service Family Accommodation over the next 10 years. (3109)
- 251NMaria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 49 of the Ministry of Defence Annual Report and Accounts 2022 to 2023, published on 20 July 2023, what assessment he has made of the number and proportion of single living accommodation facilities that do not meet the new minimum standard.
- 252 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what proportion of single living accommodation facilities do not meet the new minimum standard as of 22 November 2023. (3111)
- 253 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 65 of the Ministry of Defence Annual Report and Accounts 2022 to 2023, published on 20 July 2023, how much funding has been allocated to the programme to tackle health and safety risks on his Department's estate. (3112)
- 254 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence,
 when he plans to publish the Estate Sustainability Strategy as set out in the 2022 23 Annual Report.
- 255 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many people were employed to his Department's Defence Resilience Team in each from 2019 to 2023 to date. (3114)
- 256 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 70 of his Department's Annual Report and Accounts 2022-23, what his planned timetable is for the completion of the independent review of the effectiveness of the Defence Board; and whether he plans to publish the findings of that review.
- 257 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 70 of the Ministry of Defence Annual Report and Accounts 2022 to 2023, published on 20 July 2023, what areas were identified as a priority to improve at the delivery stocktake of the Defence Delivery Group in October 2022.
- 258 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many learning and development programmes his Department has introduced in each year since 2010. (3117)

- 259 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 33 of his Department's Annual Report and Accounts 2022-23, what his planned timetable is for publishing the pan-Defence Skills Framework.
 (3118)
- 260 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many of the recommendations from the Haythornthwaite Review, published in June 2023, have been (a) accepted and (b) implemented as of 22 November 2023.
- 261 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he has taken to support his Department's workforce with the rising cost of living.

 (3120)
- Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to strengthen his Department's (a) governance and (b) internal controls assurance processes. (3121)
- 263 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 75 of his Department's Annual Report and Accounts 2022-23, what steps he is taking to increase the maturity of second line of defence activities in front line commands.
- Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 76 of the Ministry of Defence Annual Report and Accounts 2022 to 2023, published on 20 July 2023, what steps he is taking to improve functional oversight of assurance.
- Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Ministry of Defence Annual Report and Accounts 2022 to 2023, published on 20 July 2023, what steps he is taking to improve (a) project and (b) programme management (i) monitoring and (ii) compliance processes. (3124)
- 266 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to prioritise sufficient resources for the delivery of oversight mechanisms for risk and assurance. (3125)
- 267NJohn Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether the Government is still committed to spending 2.5% of GDP on defence when the fiscal and economic conditions allow. (3090)
- 268NJohn Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Autumn Statement 2023, CP 977, published on 22 November 2023, and to the Spring Budget 2023, HC 1183, published on 15 March 2023, what the reason is for the decrease in planned (a) RDEL and (b) CDEL in 2023/24. (3094)
- John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 20 November 2023 to Question 1293 on Submarines: Dockyards, how much his Department has budgeted for the procurement of two submarine floating docks. (3095)

- 270 John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 20 November 2023 to Question 1293 on Submarines: Dockyards, when his Department plans the two submarine floating docks will be operational.
 (3096)
- 271 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many nuclear test veterans have received their nuclear test veterans medal. (3097)
- 272 John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many nuclear test veterans eligible for a nuclear test veterans medal have yet to receive it.
 (3098)
- John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many next of kin of nuclear test veterans have received their nuclear test veterans medal. (3099)
- John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many next of kin of nuclear test veterans eligible for a nuclear test veterans medal have yet to receive their medal. (3100)
- 275NDan Jarvis (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department plans to take steps to commemorate those who served on (a) Operation Overload, (b) Operation Market Garden and (c) other operations that will mark their 80th anniversary in 2024.
- 276 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an assessment of the effect of spending and investment by his Department and the armed forces on the local economy in Solihull constituency since 2015. (3248)
- 277 **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether the US military is using RAF Akrotiri to send (a) weapons and (b) other military equipment to Israel. (3359)
- 278 **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Written Statement of 13 November 2023 on Service Family Accommodation and Winter Planning, HCWS28, for which bases his Department plans to buy 176 homes over the next 12 months.
- 279 Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of the removal by the French navy of pennant numbers and names from some of its vessels to anonymise those vessels.

 (3332)
- 280 Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will (a) include and (b) publish data on personnel under the age of 18 in the armed forces' periodic sexual harassment surveys. (3333)

- 281 Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many and what proportion of (a) staff and (b) recruits at the Army Foundation College have been reprimanded under the zero tolerance policy on unwanted sexual behaviours in each of the last five years. (3334)
- 282 Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing accredited STEM education for new armed forces recruits under the age of 18. (3335)
- 283 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what progress his Department has made on delivering 20,000 additional prison places. (3195)
- 284N Sarah Owen (Luton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many offenders have been convicted of a serious further offence of murder, by type of index sentence in each year between 2010 and 2015. (3360)
- 285 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps his Department is taking to increase conviction rates for rape. (3225)
- 286NEmily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how much was paid by the Legal Advice Agency to providers of the Housing Possession Court Duty Scheme in financial years (a) 2018-19, (b) 2019-20, (c) 2020-21, (d) 2021-22, and (e) 2022-23.
- 287NMr Gregory Campbell (East Londonderry): To ask the Prime Minister, if he will take steps to confirm receipt of written correspondence from an East Londonderry constituent of 16 June 2023 on water fluoridation policy; and when he plans to respond to that correspondence. (3132)
- 288N Hilary Benn (Leeds Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to his Department's press release entitled £15 million announced for flood recovery in Northern Ireland, published on 8 November 2023, whether the distribution of that funding will require his Department's approval in the absence of the Northern Ireland Executive.
- 289 Andrew Bridgen (North West Leicestershire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his Department's policies of the Dame Linda Dobbs Review into Lloyds Banking Group's handling of the HBOS Reading fraud. (3232)
- 290N Dame Angela Eagle (Wallasey): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, when HMRC plans to respond to the correspondence from the hon. Member for Wallasey of 13 October 2023 on an identity theft matter relating to a tax rebate. (3129)
- 291NPatricia Gibson (North Ayrshire and Arran): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of exempting air jackets for motorcyclists from VAT. (3262)

- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an estimate of the potential impact of granting planning permission to the MSG Sphere in Stratford on economic growth in (a) east London and (b) the UK. (3254)
- 293 Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether HMRC staff receive commission on sums collected in tax arrears.

 (3261)
- 294 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of reducing VAT for the hospitality sector. (3284)
- 295 **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of rates of Approved Mileage Allowance Payments, in the context of increases in the cost of fuel. (3389)
- 296 **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps he is taking to mitigate the impact of bank branch closures in Selby and Ainsty constituency.

 (3390)
- 297 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an estimate of the number of people that will be paying a higher rate of tax in the next 12 months in the context of the freezing of the basic income tax threshold.
- 298 **John Redwood** (Wokingham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he is taking steps to reduce the use of external consultants by the civil service. (3074)
- 299 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of abolishing inheritance tax. (3155)
- 300 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has had recent discussions with his counterpart in (a) Australia and (b) New Zealand on strategies for reducing national debt. (3156)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 28 November

Questions for Written Answer

1N Peter Kyle (Hove): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, pursuant to the Answer of 21 November 2023 to Question 1948 on Artificial Intelligence: Public Sector, and with refence to her Department's policy paper entitled Introducing the AI Safety Institute, published on 2 November 2023, whether it remains her Department's policy to identify new uses for AI in the public sector.

- 2N Andrew Western (Stretford and Urmston): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if she will publish the (a) invitation and (b) attendance list for the AI Safety Summit 2023 on 1 and 2 November at Bletchley Park.
- 3N Andrew Bridgen (North West Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, for what reason the Land Registry does (a) not include a record of the sale in 2011 and (b) include a record of the sale in 2015 of the Old Rectory in Appleby Magna.

 [R] (3230)
- 4N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make it his policy to extend the maximum axle weights and gross vehicle weights derogation given to two and three axle electric HGVs to four and six axle electric HGVs.
- 5N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the average length of time was for Access to Work applications to be processed in each month since May 2022. (3348)
- 6N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the longest length of time has been for an Access to Work application to be processed in each month since May 2022. (3349)
- 7N Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many applications to the Access to Work scheme were rejected in each month since May 2022. (3350)
- 8N Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the most common reason was for rejecting an application to the Access to Work scheme in each month since May 2022. (3351)
- 9N Damian Collins (Folkestone and Hythe): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what funding her Department has allocated to (a) primary care in Folkestone and Hythe constituency, (b) East Kent Hospitals University NHS Foundation Trust and (c) capital investment in the (i) William Harvey Hospital in Ashford, (ii) Royal Victoria Hospital in Folkestone and (iii) Buckland Hospital in Dover in each year since 2010.
- 10N Fabian Hamilton (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the announcement on 26 June 2023, of a national lung screening programme, what proportion of the eligible population for targeted lung screening is already covered by the NHS targeted lung health check programme; by what date she plans to reach all the eligible population in Yorkshire; how the order of the programme rollout across England will be decided; and whether smoking cessation will be offered as an opt-out, integrated service in all lung screening appointments.

- 11N **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she is taking steps to encourage NHS Trusts to offer clinical staff the opportunity to work on research trials. (3104)
- 12N Sarah Champion (Rotherham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Office, with reference to the oral evidence
 given by Andrew McCoubrey, Director for Afghanistan and Pakistan of his
 Department, to the Foreign Affairs Committee on Follow-up to Afghanistan
 Inquiry on 17 October 2023, Q33, HC 1888 of Session 2022-23, what steps the
 Government has taken to encourage the World Bank to release further funds
 from the Afghanistan Resilience Trust Fund to provide (a) humanitarian assistance
 following the recent earthquake in Afghanistan and (b) support for Afghan
 people during winter 2023-23.
- 13N Sarah Champion (Rotherham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Office, with reference to the oral evidence
 given by Andrew McCoubrey, Director for Afghanistan and Pakistan of his
 Department, to the Foreign Affairs Committee on Follow-up to Afghanistan
 Inquiry on 17 October 2023, Q33, HC 1888 of Session 2022-23, if he will make a
 commitment to publishing his Department's analysis of the implications for UK aid
 funding decisions for Afghanistan of the United Nations Integrated Food Security
 Phase Classification assessment of Afghanistan, due to be completed by the end of
 November 2023.
- 14N **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will take steps to help support the
 reopening of educational institutions in the Occupied Palestinian Territories. (3102)
- 15N **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps his Department is taking to help support relatives of UK citizens to leave Gaza. (3163)
- 16N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether he has plans publish information on RAAC in prisons. (3242)
- 17N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer on 21 November 2023 to Question 2298 on Prisons:

 Repairs and Maintenance, when his Department plans to finish the survey work on the condition of the fabric and critical infrastructure in prisons including the backlog of maintenance works.
- 18N **Sir Chris Bryant** (Rhondda): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what discussions he has had with Cabinet Colleagues on the Valuation Office Agency's planned increase in business rate evaluations for film studios. (3142)

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19N Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what funding is being made available to provide compensation for those affected by the Infected Blood Inquiry; and when this funding will be made available. (3352)

Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero

- 1 Sarah Champion (Rotherham): If she will make an estimate of the proportion of households that spent more than 10% of their income on energy costs in (a) 2021 and (b) 2022. (900331)
- 2 Nick Smith (Blaenau Gwent): What recent assessment she has made of the impact of the US Inflation Reduction Act on levels of investment in low carbon industries in the UK. (900332)
- Andrew Gwynne (Denton and Reddish): What recent discussions she has had with businesses on the Government's net zero targets. (900333)
- 4 Anne McLaughlin (Glasgow North East): What assessment her Department has made of trends in the level of fuel poverty since 2018.

(900334)

- 5 **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): What steps her Department is taking to support the development of community energy schemes. (900335)
- Tony Lloyd (Rochdale): If she will make an assessment of the impact of the mandatory code of practice for the involuntary installation of prepayment meters on vulnerable households. (900336)
- 7 **Dame Meg Hillier** (Hackney South and Shoreditch): If she will take steps to increase the number of onshore wind farms. (900337)
- 8 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): When she plans to make a decision on the application for development consent for the proposed AQUIND Interconnector Project. (900338)
- 9 **Afzal Khan** (Manchester, Gorton): What assessment she has made of the implications for her policies of the Climate Change Committee's 2023 Progress Report to Parliament. (900339)
- 10 Christine Jardine (Edinburgh West): What recent assessment she has made of the effectiveness of the Energy Bills Support Scheme Alternative Fund and the Alternative Fuel Payment Alternative Fund. (900340)
- 11 **Giles Watling** (Clacton): What discussions she has had with National Grid on its planned timetable for building new substations, pylons and cabling in the East of England. (900341)
- 12 **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): What recent discussions she has had with Cabinet colleagues on support for workers in the offshore wind sector. (900342)

- 13 **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): What steps her Department is taking to support people in Shropshire with their energy bills. (900343)
- 14 **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): What steps her Department is taking to help energy intensive industries to decarbonise. (900344)
- 15 **Samantha Dixon** (City of Chester): If she will make an estimate of the number of households that had energy efficiency measures installed in (a) 2010 and (b) 2022.

 (900345)
- Joanna Cherry (Edinburgh South West): What recent assessment she has made of the adequacy of the contribution of businesses to helping meet the UK's net zero targets.
 (900346)
- 17 **Priti Patel** (Witham): Whether she is taking steps to support the development of an offshore grid for wind farm energy in the East of England. (900347)
- 18 Mary Glindon (North Tyneside): What steps she is taking to support the growth of the offshore energy sector in North Tyneside constituency. (900348)
- 19 **Anna Firth** (Southend West): What progress her Department has made on reaching 50GW capacity of offshore wind by 2030. (900349)
- 20 **Michael Shanks** (Rutherglen and Hamilton West): If she will make an assessment of the impact of the mandatory code of practice for the involuntary installation of prepayment meters on vulnerable households. (900350)
- 21 Jonathan Edwards (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): What steps she is taking to support vulnerable people of working age with their energy costs in winter 2023-24. (900351)
- 22 **Gill Furniss** (Sheffield, Brightside and Hillsborough): What steps her Department is taking to help energy intensive industries to decarbonise. (900352)
- Wera Hobhouse (Bath): What her planned timetable is for consulting on barriers to developing community energy projects. (900353)
- 24 **Chris Green** (Bolton West): What steps she is taking to roll out new nuclear projects. (900354)
- 25 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): What criteria she plans to use to assess the adequacy of the outcomes agreed at COP28. (900355)

Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero

T1	Henry Smith (Crawley): If she will make a statement on her departmental	
	responsibilities.	(900356)
T2	Jack Brereton (Stoke-on-Trent South):	(900357)

T3 Richard Fuller (North East Bedfordshire): (900358)

Т4	Neil Coyle (Bermondsey and Old Southwark):	(900359)
T5	Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough):	(900360)
T6	Virginia Crosbie (Ynys Môn):	(900361)
T7	Alan Brown (Kilmarnock and Loudoun):	(900362)
T8	Alexander Stafford (Rother Valley):	(900363)
Т9	Nick Smith (Blaenau Gwent):	(900364)
T10 Liz Twist (Blaydon):		(900365)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 29 November

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Afzal Khan** (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to reduce child poverty in Manchester, Gorton constituency. (3325)
- 2N Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent steps she has taken to improve digital connectivity across the whole eye care pathway. (3326)
- 3N Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has plans to work with professional eye care bodies and organisations to ensure that the principles identified in Royal National Institute of Blind People's report entitled The Eye Care Support Pathway, published in November 2023, are embedded into clinical pathways and are included in training curricula.
- 4N Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions officials in her Department have had with NHS England on the potential merits of endorsing the Royal National Institute of Blind People's eye care support pathway. (3328)
- 5N Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will meet the Visual Impairment Charity Sector Partnership to discuss the RNIB's report entitled The eye care support pathway, published in November 2023.
- 6N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if his Department will take steps to support Sudanese nationals who were given six-month Leave Outside The Rules, and whose visas are expiring, to extend their leave to remain. (3158)

- 7N Helen Morgan (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Written Statement of 13 November 2023 on Service Family Accommodation and Winter Planning, HCWS28, what support his Department plans to provide to the 40 per cent of properties which have a damp and mould report raised but which will not have a mitigation package funded. (3379)
- 8N Helen Morgan (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Written Statement of 13 November 2023 on Service Family Accommodation and Winter Planning, HCWS28, on which bases the 4,000 properties receiving damp and mould mitigation packages are located. (3380)
- 9N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Written Statement of 13 November 2023 on Service Family Accommodation and Winter Planning, HCWS28, on which bases the 1,000 properties receiving new kitchens or bathrooms are located. (3381)
- 10N Helen Morgan (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Written Statement of 13 November 2023 on Service Family Accommodation and Winter Planning, HCWS28, on which bases the 1,500 properties receiving boiler or heating upgrades are located. (3382)
- 11N Helen Morgan (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Written Statement of 13 November 2023 on Service Family Accommodation and Winter Planning, HCWS28, which bases the 423 newly purchased homes for service families are on or near to. (3383)

Questions for Answer on Thursday 30 November

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 20 November 2023 to Question 1067 on Dental Services: Pregnancy, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the availability of free dental treatment for pregnant women. (3157)
- 2N **Maggie Throup** (Erewash): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will publish a workforce strategy for the community diagnostic centre programme. (3264)
- 3N Maggie Throup (Erewash): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, which tests, checks, and scans were initially designated for provision by community diagnostic centres; where that information is published; and what assessment she has made of the extent of tests, checks and scans provided as of 22 November 2023 compared with initial planned provision. (3266)

- 4N Anneliese Dodds (Oxford East): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent discussions he has had with
 his Belarus counterparts on political prisoners. (3322)
- 5N Anneliese Dodds (Oxford East): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Office, what estimate he has made of the
 number of female political prisoners in Belarus. (3323)
- 6N Anneliese Dodds (Oxford East): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent discussions he has had with
 HM Ambassador to Belarus on political prisoners in that country. (3324)