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# **Questions tabled on Tuesday 12 December 2023**

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- T Indicates a topical oral question. Members are selected by ballot to ask a Topical Question.
- t Indicates a Question not included in the random selection process but accepted because the quota for that day had not been filled.
- N Indicates a question for written answer on a named day under S.O. No. 22(4).
- [R] Indicates that a relevant interest has been declared.

## Questions for Answer on Wednesday 13 December

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

Sir Peter Bottomley (Worthing West): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, when (a) he and (b) officials in his Department last met the architect of the proposed Holocaust Memorial and Learning Centre in Victoria Tower Gardens.

[Transferred] (6061)

2 Ian Blackford (Ross, Skye and Lochaber): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to encourage the motor industry to use polyethylene glycol in vehicle cooling systems; and whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits for the environment of using this chemical. [Transferred] (6255)

## Questions for Answer on Thursday 14 December

#### **Ouestions for Written Answer**

- Fleur Anderson (Putney): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how much his Department spent on the case of Cabinet Office v Chair of Covid Inquiry, [2023] EWHC 1702 (Admin).
- 2 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many civil service jobs previously based in Whitehall have been permanently relocated outside of London and the South East since 2019. (6388)

- 3 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to Sir John Holmes' Military Medals Review, published in July 2012, whether he has made a recent assessment of the potential merits of conducting a further review into a National Defence Medal. (6554)
- 4N **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will make an estimate of the number of deaths due to a long lie fall in each of the last five years.

[Transferred] (6287)

- Louise Haigh (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps the Government is taking to monitor the potential supply of Russian crude oil via third parties into the UK. (6599)
- Kim Leadbeater (Batley and Spen): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she has (a) made an assessment of the implications for her policies of (i) trends in the level of fee increases and (ii) other business practices of holiday parks and (b) had recent discussions with the Competition and Markets Authority on those issues.
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps she is taking to encourage SMEs to cut greenhouse gas emissions in their supply chains. (6567)
- Beth Winter (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to her oral answer of 30 November 2023 on Arms Export Licences: Israel, Official Report column 1050, if her Department will publish the (a) classification and description of the goods, (b) stated end use and (c) licence type including (i) direct transfers and (ii) transfers via third countries of the 114 standard individual export licences granted for sale of military goods to Israel last year.
- 9 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if her Department will publish an assessment of whether UK-produced military goods components have been used in military activity in the (a) Israel-Hamas conflict and (b) West Bank since 7 October 2023. (6677)
- 10 **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for her policies of the closure of Crockfords casino in Mayfair. (6577)
- 11 **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department is taking steps to support elite casinos. (6578)
- Stephanie Peacock (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is undertaking to prevent illegal gambling; and whether she has made an assessment of the potential impact of its proposed gambling reforms on the level of illegal gambling. (6579)

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- **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to support the horseracing sector. (6580)
- **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will make an estimate of the impact of the horseracing sector on the UK economy in each of the last five years. (6581)
- Stephanie Peacock (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, with reference to the draft Media Bill, what recent assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of proposals to remove requirements on local analogue radio services to feature local music on (a) up and coming artists, and (b) the music industry. (6583)
- Stephanie Peacock (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what recent conversations her Department has had with platforms on the technological feasibility of offering regional prominence. (6584)
- **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she has had recent discussions with Cabinet Office colleagues on issuing guidance to Ministers on upholding the operational independence of (a) the BBC and (b) Ofcom in respect of the conflict in Gaza. (6586)
- **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what recent assessment she has made of the adequacy of funding for the seventh and eighth tiers of English football. (6587)
- **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she has had recent discussions with the EFL and Premier League on adequate funding and support for the seventh and eighth tiers of English football. (6588)
- **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she has made a recent assessment of the contribution of the seventh and eighth tiers of English football to the economy. (6589)
- **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what consultations her Department undertook with children and young people to (a) inform and (b) prepare the policy paper entitled Get Active: a strategy for the future of sport and physical activity. (6590)
- **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to help increase the number and proportion of children and young people meeting the UK Chief Medical Officers' recommended levels of physical activity. (6591)
- **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to ensure school children are provided with age-appropriate (a) discussions and (b) materials on gender self-identification. (6401)

- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the Answer of 19 September 2023 to Question198717 on Free School Meals, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that schools continue to be able to provide healthy meals; and what discussions his Department has had with schools on whether they can provide these meals within the agreed budgets. (6620)
- Stephen Morgan (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to respond to reports of increases in the number of incidents of antisemitism and Islamophobia in (a) schools, (b) universities and (c) other educational settings. (6529)
- Stephen Morgan (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if her Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of mandating universities to award honorary teaching degrees to people who gained a certificate of education from teacher training colleges prior to the year 2000. (6538)
- Grahame Morris (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 11 December 2023 to Question 5246 on Special Educational Needs: County Durham, what interim support is available to families waiting for an Education, Health and Care plan to be issued. (6459)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent discussions she has had with the Northern Ireland Administration on SEN teaching provision in Northern Ireland. (6560)
- Matt Western (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what information her Department holds on the number of universities the (a) Chairman and (b) Chief Executive of the Office for Students has visited since (i) 1 January 2018, (ii) 3 March 2023 and (iii) 5 September 2023. (6520)
- Judith Cummins (Bradford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of including receipt of PIP as a qualifying requirement for the Energy Company Obligation scheme. (6630)
- 31 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the Answers of 17 January 2022 to Questions 102528 on Wood-burning Stoves: Regulation and 102529 on Wood-burning Stoves: Ecolabelling, what steps his Department has taken to ensure high standards in (a) approval processes and (b) testing for individual wood burning appliances or ranges of appliances before they are certified as complying with the requirements of the Ecodesign Regulations. (6386)
- Geraint Davies (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether she has had recent discussions with the Climate Change Committee on the use of wood burning stoves over the next (a) 10 and (b) 20 years.

- 33 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many officials from her Department attended COP 28. (6446)
- 34 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how much his Department has spent on promoting awareness of the ban on American Bully XL dogs. (6400)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many flood risk schemes have been allocated funding via the Flood Defence Grant in Aid; and in which locations funded schemes have been. (6618)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department has (a) carried out a recent review of the allocation of Flood Defence Grant in Aid funding which will be available for flood risk schemes and (b) made an assessment of the effectiveness of that funding.

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- 37 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many officials from his Department attended COP 28. (6447)
- 38 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make it his policy to dis-apply Regulation (EU) No 2017/893.
- 40 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has made a comparative assessment of the levels of donations to foodbanks between 2022 and 2023. (6557)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has made a comparative assessment of the level of fly-tipping in (a) England and (b) the rest of the UK. (6564)
- 42 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure food is affordable in winter 2023-24. (6566)
- Judith Cummins (Bradford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, pursuant to the Answer of 6 September 2023 to Question 195098 on Buildings: Disability, when he plans to publish the results

- of the research on the demographics, ergonomic requirements and experiences of disabled people commissioned as part of the review relating to part M of the building regulations. (6623)
- 44 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to the Answer of 23 May 2023 to Question 85728 on Buildings: Health and Safety, whether officials have concluded their review of British Standard BS 40102-1:2023 entitled Health and well-being and indoor environmental quality in buildings. (6378)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what information his Department collects on levels of home ownership. (6613)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to the Answer of 8 March 2023 to Question 155257 on Parking: Fines, what the result is of the review on the levels of private parking charges and additional fees set out in the temporarily withdrawn Private Parking Code of Practice (6614)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to the Answer of 25 October 2023 to Question 203012 on Social Rented Housing: Mould, what recent assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of the funds raised from rent settlement to cover damp and mould repairs. (6615)
- 48 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many Homes England Investment Partners for the Affordable Homes Programme have filed for insolvency. (6616)
- 49 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps his Department is taking to support local authorities at risk of insolvency. (6536)
- Stephen Morgan (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps his Department is taking to support local authorities facing a funding shortfall as a result of increases in inflation in financial year 2023-24. (6537)
- Mark Pritchard (The Wrekin): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of GDPR rules for sharing data between local authorities on the (a) services provided to and (b) risks faced by vulnerable people (i) during and (ii) since the covid-19 pandemic. (6439)
- Dean Russell (Watford): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what is his planned timetable for the consultation on a new Permitted Development Right for subdividing houses into two flats. (6652)

- Geraint Davies (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the Answer of 8 February 2023 to Question 139130 on Shipping: Irish Sea, what progress he has made on launching a call for evidence on Emission Control Areas around the UK coast. (6379)
- Stephen Morgan (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to help ensure the safety of all rail passengers (a) at railway stations and (b) on trains in the context of increases in the number of incidents of antisemitism and Islamophobia. (6528)
- Dr Matthew Offord (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many officials from his Department attended COP 28. (6445)
- Duncan Baker (North Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people aged (a) 16 and over and (b) 16 to 64 were (i) in employment and (ii) unemployed between February and April 2010. (6689)
- Duncan Baker (North Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people aged 16 to 64 were economically inactive in the period between February and April 2010; and how many people aged 16 to 24 were (a) in employment and (b) unemployed in that period. (6690)
- Duncan Baker (North Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the total rate of employment was for people aged 16 and over in the period between February and April 2010; and what the total rate of unemployment was for people aged 16 to 64 in that period. (6691)
- 59 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what proportion of his Department's employees are paid (a) at and (b) above the Real Living Wage. (6544)
- Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many and what proportion of his Department's staff have (a) applied for and (b) been given reasonable adjustments in the most recent period for which data is available.

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- 61 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps he is taking to help improve (a) the quality of recruitment and (b) staff retention levels within his Department. (6546)
- 62 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure the wellbeing of Jobcentre staff.

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- 63 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the average caseload of a Jobcentre Universal Credit case manager was in the most recent period for which data is available. (6551)

- 64 **Vicky Foxcroft** (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the average caseload of a Jobcentre work coach was in the most recent period for which data is available. (6552)
- Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 12 December 2023 to Question 5438, if he will make an estimate of the number of people that are waiting for (a) trauma and (b) orthopaedic treatment and are unable to work until they receive treatment as of 12 December 2023; and what steps he is taking to help these people re-enter the workforce.
- Alison McGovern (Wirral South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many and what proportion of people in the Limited Capability for Work-Related Activity group have flowed off in each each since 2015. (6477)
- 67 **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many and what proportion of cases were categorised as in debt (a) in 2018, (b) in 2022 and (c) now. (6565)
- 68 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to help reduce youth unemployment in Hornsey and Wood Green consitutency. (6573)
- 69 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate he has made of levels of youth unemployment in Hornsey & Wood Green constituency in each of the last 5 years. (6574)
- 70 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what information his Department holds on the number of complaints received by (a) Capita and (b) other external assessors for Personal Independence Payment applications in each of the last five years. (6663)
- 71 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to monitor the (a) number and (b) nature of complaints made to (i) Capita and (ii) other external assessors for Personal Independence Payment applications. (6664)
- 72 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to monitor the quality of the (a) customer service and (b) assessments provided by (i) Capita and (ii) other external assessors for Personal Independence Payment applications. (6665)
- 73 Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to make Statutory Declaration of Acknowledgement of Parentage forms easily available to parents. (6692)
- 74 Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department is taking steps to help ensure Statutory Declaration of Acknowledgement of Parentage forms are more available to parents as part of their birthing plan. (6693)

- **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of domestic wood burning on public health. (6381)
- **Peter Dowd** (Bootle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she is taking steps to monitor the effectiveness of NHS England's guidance on Referral optimisation for people with skin conditions. (6510)
- **Peter Dowd** (Bootle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if her Department will set a target for the number of trusts to adopt the NHS England guidance on Referral optimisation for people with skin conditions. (6511)
- **Peter Dowd** (Bootle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to page 85 of the Getting it Right First Time report on Dermatology, published by the NHS in August 2021, how many and what proportion of trusts are required to wait for commissioner approval before prescribing (a) NICE-approved biologics for psoriasis and (b) other NICE-approved drugs. (6512)
- **Peter Dowd** (Bootle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether her Department is taking steps to assess the level of regional variation in access to (a) care, (b) services and (c) treatment for patients with inflammatory skin conditions. (6513)
- **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether her Department has made an assessment of the accuracy of information supplied with vapes about the level of nicotine they contain. (6601)
- Claire Hanna (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will hold discussions with (a) the Cystic Fibrosis Trust and (b) other relevant stakeholders on the availability of (i) modular therapies and (ii) other treatments for cystic fibrosis through the NHS. (6633)
- **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to increase provision of epilepsy treatment in (a) Hull West and Hessle constituency and (b) nationally. (6594)
- 83 Emma Hardy (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she is taking steps to help ensure access to ketogenic diet treatment in (a) Hull West and Hessle constituency and (b) nationally. (6595)
- **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what information his Department holds on the incidence of cancer in NHS staff exposed to radiation as part of their duties. (6602)
- **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of protection for NHS staff exposed to radiation as part of their duties. (6607)

- Sir John Hayes (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to improve survival rates for people with pancreatic cancer. (6406)
- 87 **Sir George Howarth** (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to tackle regional variation in (a) rates of early detection and (b) diagnostic waiting times for prostate cancer. (6438)
- Simon Jupp (East Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will make it her policy to double (a) MRI and (b) CT scanning capacity; and if she will make an estimate of the (i) revenue and (ii) capital cost of doing so over each of the next five years.

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- 89 **Simon Jupp** (East Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the impact of shared waiting lists on patient choice. (6644)
- 90 **Simon Jupp** (East Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will make it her policy to establish walk-in clinics in each Integrated Care Board; and what estimate she has made of the cost of doing so. (6645)
- 91 **Simon Jupp** (East Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will make an estimate of the cost to the public purse of establishing an independent statutory committee to assess the NHS. (6646)
- Simon Jupp (East Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will make an estimate of the cost to the public purse of setting national pay and conditions terms for social care workers. (6647)
- 93 **Simon Jupp** (East Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will make an estimate of the (a) revenue and (b) capital costs of (i) guaranteeing mental health treatment within a month, (ii) establishing walk-in mental health hubs for children and young people and (iii) providing specialist mental health support in all schools over the next five years. (6648)
- 94 **Simon Jupp** (East Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will make an estimate of the cost to the public purse of ensuring that patients are always able to see the same GP for each visit. (6650)
- 95 **Kim Leadbeater** (Batley and Spen): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to support research into thyroid diseases; and what steps she is taking to support patients with hypothyroidism. (6673)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the cost of contracting NHS neurodevelopmental assessments to private providers; and whether he has had discussions with the NHS on the potential merits of conducting such tests via the NHS.

- 97 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has had discussions with (a) the Home Office and (b) relevant stakeholders on the supply of Zapain. (6621)
- 98 **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether the Monthly Diagnostic Data published by NHS England includes data on (a) pathology and (b) phlebotomy. (6441)
- 99 **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people have died from fentanyl overdose in each of the last five years, broken down by region. (6476)
- 100 Charlotte Nichols (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people with ADHD have been unable to access medication since 27 September 2023. (6668)
- 101 Charlotte Nichols (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent discussions her Department has had with (a) pharmaceutical groups and (b) mental health (i) charities and (ii) campaigners on the supply of ADHD medication. (6675)
- 102 Alex Norris (Nottingham North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the provision of Riluzole for patients with motor neurone disease. (6555)
- 103 Alex Norris (Nottingham North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to improve access to Riluzole for patients with motor neurone disease.

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- 104 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what comparative assessment she has made of the levels of flu vaccine uptake between 2022 and 2023. (6558)
- 105 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he plans to take steps to support inquiries by the International Criminal Court into potential breaches of international law by the Israeli Government in relation to the activities of Israeli settlers in the West Bank.
- Tony Lloyd (Rochdale): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps his Department is taking to (a) engage with the Zimbabwean authorities on a political settlement, (b) share lessons learnt from other peace processes and (c) support civil society engagement. (6405)
- 107 **Tony Lloyd** (Rochdale): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps he is taking in the UN Security Council to (a) encourage international support for a political settlement in Zimbabwe and (b) help ensure civil society organisations can participate effectively in steps towards a settlement. (6436)

- **Tony Lloyd** (Rochdale): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps he is taking to encourage Organ on Politics, Defence and Security of the South African Development Community to support a political settlement in Zimbabwe. (6437)
- 109 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he had discussions with his
  UAE counterpart during COP 28 on reports that UAE has (a) brought new charges
  against (i) internationally recognised human rights defenders and (ii) other
  political prisoners and b) held a mass trial. (6500)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has plans to impose visa bans on Israeli settlers committing violence against Palestinians in the West Bank. (6521)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has made representations to the Israeli Government to encourage Israel to become a state party to the International Criminal Court. (6522)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what diplomatic steps he is taking with international partners to work towards a cessation of hostilities in Israel and Gaza. (6523)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what diplomatic steps he is taking with international partners to help resume the humanitarian pause in Gaza. (6524)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will seek assurances from Israel that Palestinians in Gaza will not be permanently displaced. (6525)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent steps he has taken to (a) encourage the Israeli Government to uphold international law and (b) ensure the protection of (i) journalists and (ii) citizens in Gaza. (6526)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps he plans to take to support international investigations into reports of gender-based violence perpetrated by Hamas during the attack on Israel of 7 October 2023. (6527)
- **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent steps he has taken to support women and girls in sub-Saharan Africa. (6453)

- **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent steps he has taken to support women and girls in South East Asia. (6454)
- **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent steps he has taken to support women and girls in South America. (6455)
- 120 Lisa Nandy (Wigan): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent steps he has taken to support women and girls in Central Asia. (6456)
- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Office, for what reason the Parliamentary
  Under Secretary of State (Americas, Caribbean and the Overseas Territories) visited
  Antarctica. (6443)
- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, how many Overseas Territories the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State (Americas, Caribbean and the Overseas Territories) has visited. (6444)
- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, how many officials from his Department attended COP 28. (6448)
- **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent discussions he has held with the(a) the United Nations, (b) Israeli government and (c) Palestinian authority on steps to improve the safety of (i) journalists and (ii) other media professionals covering the conflict in Gaza. (6585)
- **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if his Department will make an assessment of whether parties to the Israel-Hamas conflict have committed (a) war crimes and (b) other breaches of international law. (6678)
- **Mr Ben Bradshaw** (Exeter): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of enforcement of electoral finance laws. (6390)
- **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many crimes were reported on the True Vision website in the last 12 months. (6414)
- **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of people with rejected asylum applications were removed in each year since 2019. (6385)

- **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what plans he has for data-sharing between the (a) police national database, (b) data held by the Passport Office and (c) other national databases to help tackle crime. (6492)
- **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate he has made of the number of times the HM Passport Office database has been accessed to identify suspects as part of a criminal investigation in each of the last five years. (6493)
- **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the average time to receive a response to an application to the voluntary return scheme is. (6609)
- **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many applications to the voluntary return scheme have been (a) received and (b) concluded since 1 January 2023. (6612)
- **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what is the average length of time taken for a production request for a Biometric Residence Permit to be made after a decision to grant leave to remain has been made.

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- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether he has made a recent assessment of the potential impact of theft from a shop of goods with a value of £200 or less being a summary-only offence on detection rates for low value shop theft. (6530)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether his Department has made a recent assessment of the potential merits of bringing forward legislative proposals on a new standalone criminal offence to protect retail workers from violence and abuse. (6531)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether his Department made an assessment of the potential merits of including measures to tackle shoplifting in the Criminal Justice Bill. (6532)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether he has made a recent assessment of the potential impact of trends in the number of police community support officers on shoplifting charge rates in the last 10 years. (6533)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether he is taking steps to increase the presence of police community support officers in town centres. (6534)
- **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of foreign national offender inductions to immigration prison teams were made within 10 days in each year since 2015. (6464)

- 140 **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the total workforce of UK Border Force was in each year since 2010. (6465)
- 141 **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to transactions (a) 126-DG Delivery-500 and (b) 127-DG Delivery-65121 in Home Office procurement card spend over £500: March 2023, updated 30 November 2023, what the purpose of the delegation received from Vietnam was; and the number of attendees. (6469)
- 142 Charlotte Nichols (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 11 December 2023 to Question 5034 on Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs, if he will hold discussions with the Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs on the publication of their annual reviews for each year since 2019-20.
- 143 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will make it his policy to refuse multiple asylum applications when the initial application has been refused. (6496)
- 144 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will make it his policy to require that all asylum seekers must have a personal interview as part of the application process. (6497)
- 145 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when he plans to reply to the letter of the hon. Member for Hendon, dated 25 October 2023. (6501)
- 146 Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 7 December 2023 to Question 4543 on Firearms: Licensing, whether the Firearms Licensing Fees working group has completed its work.
  (6667)
- 147 **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 29 November 2023 to Question 2844 on Animal Experiments: Cosmetics, whether animal testing of chemicals used exclusively as cosmetics ingredients is being conducted in Northern Ireland. (6486)
- 148 **Sir Bill Wiggin** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether he has had discussions with the Secretary of State for Transport on the timetable for approving the sale of tractors with Immobilisers.

  (6442)
- 149 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 20 November 2023 to Question 1812 on Defence: Employment, whether his Department has established partnerships with (a) universities and (b) other educational institutions to ensure access to skilled graduates. (6416)

- 150 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 20 November 2023 to Question 1812 on Defence: Employment, what plans does his Department have to help ensure a sustainable skills base for the defence sector. (6417)
- 151 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the People and Skills Steering Group of the Defence Suppliers Forum. (6418)
- 152 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what is the membership of the People and Skills Steering Group of the Defence Suppliers Forum. (6419)
- Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many times the People and Skills Steering Group of the Defence Suppliers Forum met in the last 12 months and on what dates. (6420)
- 154 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 21 November 2023 to Question 1813 on Defence: Exports, who sits on the Defence and Security Exports Inter-Ministerial Group. (6421)
- Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to question 1813, how many times the Defence and Security Exports Inter-Ministerial Group met in the last 12 months and on what dates (6422)
- 156 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will provide a list of the Inter-Ministerial Groups in which Ministers in his Department sit. (6423)
- 157 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 21 November 2023 to Question 1813 on Defence: Exports, what criteria are used to assess export potential. (6424)
- Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 21 November 2023 to Question 1813 on Defence: Exports, how does his Department monitor progress on increasing defence exports.
  (6425)
- 159 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 28 November 2023 to Question 2505 on Armed Forces: Housing, when does he plan to publish the results of the assessment of the UK single living accommodation estate against the Defence Minimum Standard. (6426)
- 160 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 28 November 2023 to Question 2506 on Service Justice System Review (SJSR), what estimate he has made of when the SJSR recommendations that are not estimated to be completed in 2024 will be completed.

- Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 28 November 2023 to Question 2508 on Ministry of Defence: Contracts, what was the percentage weighting for the two procurement projects that used a weighting higher than 10%. (6430)
- 162 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many expense claims his Department rejected in each financial year since 2019-20. (6434)
- 163 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what is the total value of fraudulent expense claims in his Department in each financial year since 2019-20. (6435)
- John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 11 December 2023 to Question 5463 on Army: Recruitment, when did the internal transfer bounty for the Parachute Regiment begin.
  (6392)
- John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 11 December 2023 to Question 5463 on Army:

  Recruitment, how long does the British Army intend to continue the internal transfer bounty for the Parachute Regiment. (6393)
- John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 11 December 2023 to Question 5463 on Army:

  Recruitment, what was the (a) workforce requirement and (b) actual number of serving personnel in the Parachute Regiment in each year since 2010. (6394)
- John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 11 December 2023 to Question 5463 on Army:

  Recruitment, how many personnel have taken the current internal transfer bounty for the Parachute Regiment since it was implemented. (6395)
- John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 11 December 2023 to Question 5463 on Army: Recruitment, whether the (a) Royal Navy and (b) RAF operate similar internal transfer bounties. (6396)
- John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 11 December 2023 to Question 5463 on Army:

  Recruitment, how much the Army has budgeted to pay for internal transfer bounties to the Parachute Regiment in the 2023-24 financial year. (6397)
- 170 **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many (a) L123 UGL, (b) L119A1 and 2, (c) L129A1 and 2, (d) L403A1, (e) L115A3 and 4 and (f) L92A1, L921A1, L80A1 and L90A1 have been (i) in the inventory of and (ii) decommissioned by the armed forces in each year since 2015. (6466)

- **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the cost to the public purse was of (a) abandoned and (b) postponed Royal Navy training exercises in each year since 2018. (6467)
- **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many Javelin missiles have been fired during training exercises in each year since 2015. (6470)
- **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many 5.56x45mm rounds have been fired during training exercises in each year since 2015.
- **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many Guided Multiple Launch Rocket System rockets have been fired during training exercises in each year since 2015. (6472)
- **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the average availability rate was for (a) wheeled support vehicles, (b) Landrovers, (c) Typhoons and (d) Lightnings in each year since 2018. (6473)
- **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the average vehicle availability rate was for (a) Chinook, (b) Wildcat Mk1, (c) Wildcat Mk2 and (d) Merlin HM2 in each year since 2018. (6474)
- **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when the last (a) division level manoeuvre exercise in the field was that was not a close air support exercise and (b) brigade level manoeuvre exercise in the field was that was not a close air support exercise. (6475)
- **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many training exercises of four days or more were carried out by (a) 42 Commando, (b) 40 Commando and (c) 45 Commando Royal Marines in each year since 2015. (6498)
- 179 Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 15 November 2023 to Question 462 on Armed Forces: Drugs, how many armed forces personnel in each of the armed services were discharged after failing drugs tests in each of the last five years. (6662)
- 180 Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an assessment of the effectiveness of the self-assessment framework in the Royal Marines Project Regain programme in helping to (a) combat mental health issues and (b) prevent suicide by armed forces personnel since its introduction. (6681)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the sentencing framework for perpetrators of coercive control. (6535)
- **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many people have been prosecuted for knife crime in England since January 2020. (6559)

- 183 Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Prime Minister, when he plans to respond to the letter of 27 November 2023 from the hon. Member for Linlithgow and East Falkirk and Lord Scriven on Sayed Ahmed Alwadaei. (6503)
- 184 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Prime Minister, when he plans to appoint a Minister for Disabled People, Health and Work; and for what reason this post is vacant. (6499)
- 185 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he is taking steps to help ensure that financial institutions (a) provide insurance for property owners using carbon-free cement in new buildings and (b) support the use of innovative low and zero carbon products and services. (6380)
- 186 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will take steps to discourage banks regulated in the UK from supporting businesses which receive income from industrial livestock companies contributing to deforestation. (6634)
- 187 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether his Department has made an assessment the potential merits of modernising national insurance contribution payment methods for (a) taxpayers and (b) HMRC. (6608)
- 188 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer to Question 3635 on High Income Child Benefit Tax Charge on what evidential basis his Department determined that raising the threshold would come at a significant cost to the Government. (6624)
- 189 **Henry Smith** (Crawley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a new tax-free shopping incentive for international visitors. (6494)
- 190 **Henry Smith** (Crawley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent discussions he has had with the retail and travel industries on the effect of the withdrawal of tax-free shopping for international visitors on those sectors. (6495)
- 191 Anneliese Dodds (Oxford East): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, whether she had discussions with her counterpart in the state of Washington before laying the Gender Recognition (Approved Countries and Territories and Saving Provision) Order 2023 on the removal of that US territory from the list of approved countries and territories to qualify applicants for the overseas route to apply for gender recognition certificates. (6504)
- 192 Anneliese Dodds (Oxford East): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, whether she had discussions with her counterpart in the state of West Virginia before laying the Gender Recognition (Approved Countries and Territories and Saving Provision) Order 2023 on the removal of that US territory from the list of approved countries and territories to qualify applicants for the overseas route to apply for gender recognition certificates. (6505)

- 193 Anneliese Dodds (Oxford East): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, whether she had discussions with her counterpart in the state of Wyoming before laying the Gender Recognition (Approved Countries and Territories and Saving Provision) Order 2023 on the removal of that US territory from the list of approved countries and territories to qualify applicants for the overseas route to apply for gender recognition certificates. (6506)
- 194 Anneliese Dodds (Oxford East): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, whether she had discussions with her counterpart in Uruguay before laying the Gender Recognition (Approved Countries and Territories and Saving Provision) Order 2023 on the removal of that country from the list of approved countries and territories to qualify applicants for the overseas route to apply for gender recognition certificates. (6507)

## Questions for Answer on Monday 18 December

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

- 1N Nick Smith (Blaenau Gwent): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, when the Independent Adviser on Ministers' Interests plans to publish an update to Lord Cameron's entry in the List of Ministers' Interests (6485)
- 2N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps her Department is taking to measure the potential impact of the Help to Grow scheme on business productivity. (6407)
- Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to regulation 13 of the draft Carer's Leave Regulations 2024 laid on 11 December 2023, for what reason the average rate of remuneration is calculated over a period of 12 weeks. (6651)
- 4N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what her planned timetable is for publishing guidance on the implementation of the Protection from Redundancy (Pregnancy and Family Leave) Act 2023. (6548)
- 5N Dan Jarvis (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, when her Department plans to table secondary legislation to implement the Redundancy (Pregnancy and Family Leave) Act 2023. (6550)
- 6N Gareth Thomas (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps she is taking to ensure that the proposed three-year extension of the rules of origin for electric vehicles and batteries under the EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement will include electric (a) truck tractors and (b) truck tractor batteries.

- 7N **Dr Philippa Whitford** (Central Ayrshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will hold discussions with employer representatives on freedom of speech in the context of the conflict in Israel-Palestine. (6509)
- 8N Julie Elliott (Sunderland Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, with reference to the Government response to independent review: reframing the opportunity in women's football, published on 4 December 2023, what powers the implementation group of stakeholders announced in the Government's response to the Carney Review will have to hold (a) the FA, (b) NewCo and (c) the Government to account; and how the implementation group will publish its findings.
- 9N Julie Elliott (Sunderland Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, with reference to the Government response to independent review: reframing the opportunity in women's football, published on 4 December 2023, if she will list the names of the people who have (a) been invited to join (b) accepted a place on the implementation group.
- 10N Julie Elliott (Sunderland Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what her Department's policy is on how the independent regulator of football will interact with the newly formed women's elite football NewCo. (6605)
- 11N Lisa Nandy (Wigan): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment her Department has made of the potential merits of extending the eligibility criteria for (a) the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Medal and (b) HM the King's Coronation Medal to include ambulance support staff. (6488)
- 12N **Dr Thérèse Coffey** (Suffolk Coastal): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to help monitor the availability of childcare during school holidays in (a) Suffolk and (b) England. (6440)
- 13N Julie Elliott (Sunderland Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what information her Department holds on the number of (a) girls and (b) boys who play (i) football and (ii) other sports at (A) primary and (B) secondary school. (6606)
- 14N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 11 December 2023 to Question 5246 on Special Educational Needs: County Durham, if he will make it his policy to conduct an investigation into why the rate of Education, Health and Care plans excluding exceptions issued within 20 weeks in County Durham reduced from 76.2% in 2021 to 29.2% in 2022. (6458)
- 15N Geraint Davies (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the Answer of 30 November 2021 to Question 81865 on Air Pollution, whether he plans to update the Daily Air Quality Index.

  (6377)

- 16N **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent progress his Department has made on the Air Quality Information System Review. (6382)
- 17N Emma Hardy (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has considered the potential merits of including the potential impacts of decommissioning in the Environmental Impact Assessments for establishing new (a) oil and (b) gas developments.
- 18N Dan Jarvis (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing vicarious liability for landowners who direct their employees to commit wildlife crimes. (6542)
- 19N Alistair Strathern (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many applications to the Sustainable Farming Incentive 2023 from Mid Bedforshire constituency have been (a) made and (b) approved. (6659)
- 20N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what information the Government holds on how many people have died while homeless in each of the last five years. (6481)
- 21N **Simon Lightwood** (Wakefield): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate he has made of the number of laser attacks on airborne emergency service vehicles; and what assessment he has made of the impact of such attacks on those vehicles. (6631)
- 22N **David Mundell** (Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale and Tweeddale): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what progress Highways England have made on improving the signage to Langholm on (a) Junction 44 of the M6 and (b) the A7. (6451)
- 23N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 7 December to Question 4979, how many airports have completed full installation of next generation security checkpoints across all passenger security lanes as of 12 December 2023. (6502)
- 24N **Vicky Foxcroft** (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, when he expects the Minister for Disabled People, Health and Work to be appointed. (6575)
- 25N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 11 December 2023 to Question 5138 on Wind Power: Fire Prevention, whether he has made an assessment of the adequacy of preparations for a fire caused by an onshore wind installation. (6688)
- 26N **Angus Brendan MacNeil** (Na h-Eileanan an Iar): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will take steps to end the freeze on state pension payments to pensioners residing in Canada. (6457)

- 27N **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will publish a breakdown of resident and non-resident parents using the Child Maintenance Service by gender.

  (6561)
- 28N **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make an estimate of the number and proportion of parents using the Child Maintenance Service who are in debt as of 12 November 2023. (6562)
- 29N **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether Child Maintenance Service caseworkers receive training to identify parents with poor mental health. (6563)
- 30N **Dr Thérèse Coffey** (Suffolk Coastal): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what is her Department's planned timeline to provide funding for the (a) outline business case and (b) rebuilding of the James Paget University Hospital. (6629)
- 31N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many patients were (a) seen and (b) treated by NHS commissioned Sexual Assault Referral Centres in each financial year since 2018-19. (6482)
- 32N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many patients were (a) seen and (b) treated by NHS commissioned Sexual Assault Referral Centres run by Mountain Healthcare in each financial year since 2018-19. (6483)
- 33N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many patients were (a) seen and (b) treated by NHS commissioned Sexual Assault Referral Centres run by G4S Health Services in each financial year since 2018-19.
- 34N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will publish a list of every community diagnostic centre in England split into (a) permanent and (b) temporary locations. (6515)
- 35N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of patients have been treated per community diagnostic centre as of 12 December 2023. (6516)
- 36N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of hospital admissions there were for (a) rickets, (b) tuberculosis, (c) renal tubular acidosis type 1 and (d) malnutrition in age groups (i) 0-4, (ii) 5-9, (iii) 10-16 and (iv) over 17 years in each of the last 10 years.
- 37N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of the eligible population received the NHS flu vaccine by 12 December in each of the last 10 years. (6518)

- 38N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate she has made of (a) the number of patients and (b) the cost to the NHS of (i) follow-up and (ii) corrective treatment for patients that have received (A) cosmetic surgery, (B) knee and/or hip replacements and (C) catheter ablation in hospitals (1) in the independent sector and (2) overseas each of the last ten words.
- 39N **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has had discussions with the Secretary of State for Justice on her Department's duty of candour review for health and social care providers. (6450)
- 40N **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has had discussions with NHS England on using its (a) structures and (b) delivery mechanisms to identify unpaid carers. (6487)
- 41N Emma Hardy (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 30 November 2023 to Question 3921 on Prescriptions: Fees and Charges, whether her Department has considered the potential merits of reviewing the list of conditions that entitle a person to apply for a medical exemption certificate. (6576)
- 42N **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether her Department plans to remove certain targets for (a) hospitals and (b) general practices. (6489)
- 43N **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many leptospirosis cases were diagnosed in hospital settings in each of the last five years. (6490)
- 44N **Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck** (South Shields): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many incidents of (a) self-harm, (b) suicide and (c) attempted suicide by patients within (i) 24 and (ii) 48 hours of discharge from a mental health hospital have been been recorded in the past year. (6582)
- 45N **Conor McGinn** (St Helens North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what information her Department holds on the number of section 42 enquiries made by local authorities in (a) the North West, (b) Merseyside and (c) St Helens. (6598)
- 46N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people have died from fentanyl overdose in each of the last five years, broken down by region.

  (6478)
- 47N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people have died (a) while accommodated in acute mental health care facilities and (b) while detailed under the provisions of the Mental Health Act (1983) in each of the last five years. (6479)

- 48N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many alcohol-specific deaths there were in each of the last five years, broken down by region. (6480)
- 49N **Abena Oppong-Asare** (Erith and Thamesmead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when the menopause taskforce last met; and if she will publish minutes of the meeting. (6682)
- 50N Abena Oppong-Asare (Erith and Thamesmead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what data her Department holds on the number of women who have (a) been prescribed hormone replacement therapy for (i) perimenopausal and (ii) menopausal symptoms and (b) received other treatment for such symptoms in each of the last five years.
- 51N **Abena Oppong-Asare** (Erith and Thamesmead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much the NHS spent on provision of maternity services in each of the last five years for which information is available; and how much was claimed for clinical negligence in maternity services in each such year. (6684)
- 52N Abena Oppong-Asare (Erith and Thamesmead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of maternal mental health services; and what steps she is taking to improve mental health services for women (a) during pregnancy, (b) post-pregnancy and (c) in cases of baby loss or birth trauma. (6685)
- 53N **Abena Oppong-Asare** (Erith and Thamesmead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether the NHS is on track to meet the target for NHS Talking Therapies of 1.9 million people in England accessing treatment by the end of 2023/24. (6687)
- 54N Karin Smyth (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the NHS's press release New plan to make it easier for patients to see their GP, published on 8 May 2023, what progress her Department has made on the allocation of £240 million of funding for the purchase of technology in general practice. (6568)
- 55N **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many unique monthly visitors to the NHS app there were in each of the last 24 months. (6569)
- 56N Karin Smyth (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many patients have selected their provider for elective care through the NHS app since May 2023. (6570)
- 57N Karin Smyth (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of repeat prescriptions were ordered through the NHS app in each of the last 12 months. (6571)

- 58N Karin Smyth (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what stakeholder engagement she (a) has had and (b) plans to have to develop guidance on the Down Syndrome Act 2022; and whether she plans to engage stakeholder groups representing other genetic conditions with features that overlap with those in Down syndrome. (6572)
- 59N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,

  Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will make an assessment of the
  potential impact of the Blue Planet Fund on levels of global poverty. (6593)
- 60N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent discussions he has had with
  the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs on the Blue Planet
  Fund.

  (6596)
- 61N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he is taking steps to improve
  cross-government oversight of the Blue Planet Fund. (6597)
- 62N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has made an estimate of the number of refugees relocated to Rwanda via resettlement schemes from other countries. (6415)
- 63N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what proportion of his Department's staff at Abercrombie House in East Kilbride work on development issues. (6636)
- 64N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of relocation of operations from Abercrombie House on retention of staff within his Department. (6637)
- 65N Lisa Nandy (Wigan): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, with reference to the Government's news story entitled Plan to move government roles out of Westminster brought forward and new headquarters unveiled published on 12 December 2023, how many and what proportion of civil servants proposed to move out of London by 2027 will be officials within the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office working on matters relating to international development.
- 66N **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many (a) asylum seekers and (b) refugees of which nationalities are housed at Catterick Garrison. (6669)

- 67N Paula Barker (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many asylum seekers had their accommodation support withdrawn after a rejected asylum application in (a) the UK and (b) Liverpool City council local authority area in (i) 2017-18, (ii) 2018-19, (iii) 2019-20 and (iv) 2022-23.
- 68N **Mr Alistair Carmichael** (Orkney and Shetland): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate he has made of the number of neurodiverse people referred to Prevent in the latest period for which data is available. (6460)
- 69N **Mr Alistair Carmichael** (Orkney and Shetland): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what discussions he has had with neurodiverse people on the potential impact of the Prevent duty on them. (6461)
- 70N **Mr Alistair Carmichael** (Orkney and Shetland): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate he has made of the number of (a) children and (b) young people under the age of 20 to Prevent in the latest period for which data is available.
- 71N **Mr Alistair Carmichael** (Orkney and Shetland): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps his Department is taking to provide support to people who have been misreferred to Prevent. (6463)
- 72N Anneliese Dodds (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 6 December 2023 to Question 4737 on Visas: Applications, what proportion of UK Visa and Citizenship Application service appointments in Oxford were (a) free and (b) chargeable between 1 June and 30 November 2023.
- 73N **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will undertake a review of the adequacy of the legislation relating to bystanders and shoplifting. (6491)
- 74N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if his Department will make an assessment of the (a) prevalence of the use of and (b) the level of UK reliance on the supply of imported cellular internet of things modules in national security infrastructure. (6553)
- 75N **Simon Lightwood** (Wakefield): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps he is taking to prevent drones being used by members of the public to film footage of crime scenes and investigations. (6632)
- 76N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to Answer of 12 December 2023 to Question 5137 on Fire and Rescue Services: Carcinogens, whether the review will consider the practical difficulties associated with (a) carcinogens being carried on uniforms and (b) sanitisation of fire stations. (6680)

- 77N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 11 December 2023 to Question 5139 on Wind Power: Fire Prevention, whether offshore wind farms are within the jurisdiction of the fire service. (6686)
- 78N Layla Moran (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the average time was between an immigration decision being made and a biometric residence permit being delivered in the last six months.

  (6592)
- 79N **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will publish (a) net and (b) gross non-EU immigration figures by individual country of origin for each year since 2012. (6672)
- 80N **Alistair Strathern** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps his Department is taking to tackle street crime against women and girls in Mid Bedfordshire constituency. (6660)
- 81N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Leader of the House, how much her office spent on external recruitment consultants in the (a) 2020-21, (b) 2021-22 and (c) 2022-23 financial year. (6600)
- 82N Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department is taking to monitor the number of reports of (a) bullying, (b) harassment and (c) discrimination within his Department. (6427)
- 83N Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many reports of (a) bullying, (b) harassment and (c) discrimination were made by staff in his Department in each of the last five years. (6428)
- 84N Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 27 November 2023 to Question 3110 on Armed Forces: Housing, when does he expect the remaining rooms to meet the new minimum standard.

  (6431)
- 85N **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many expense claims did his Department process in each financial year since 2019-20. (6432)
- 86N Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what is the total value of expense claims his Department processed in each financial year since 2019-20. (6433)
- 87N Louise Haigh (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 20 November 2023 to Question 1933 on Ministry of Defence: P&O Ferries, if he will list the payments over £500 made from his Department to P&O Ferries in each financial year between 2018-19 and 2022-23. (6514)

- 88N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 5 December 2023 to Question 4616 on Afghanistan: Peacekeeping Operations, what steps his Department is taking to verify whether Afghan applicants to the Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy (ARAP) served in (a) Commando Force 333 and (b) Afghanistan Territorial Force 444; and whether ARAP caseworkers have the required security clearance to conduct such checks. (6391)
- 89N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many troops are (a) stationed and (b) deployed in Estonia. (6398)
- 90N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent estimate he has made of when his Department will take command of the NATO Very High Readiness Joint Task Force in 2024. (6399)
- 91N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to his Department's press release of 11 December British minehunting ships to bolster Ukrainian Navy as UK and Norway launch maritime support initiative, which two Sandown-class minehunters are being transferred to Ukraine.
- 92N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, which major projects in his Departments do not have a full time senior responsible officer. (6403)
- 93N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 15 November 2023 to Question 60 on Ukraine: Military Aid, whether any further contracts for the International Fund for Ukraine have been awarded.

  (6404)
- 94N **Alistair Strathern** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many service personnel were living in grade four single living accommodation in Bedfordshire as of 12 December 2023. (6657)
- 95N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many assaults were reported on officers working on operation tornado deployments in each year since 2020. (6508)
- 96N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many times have registered sex offenders (a) attempted to change their names and (b) been prevented from changing their names by legal means in the last two years. (6410)
- 97N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, when the full written reasons for the decision of the War Pensions and Armed Forces Compensation Chamber of 23 August 2023 will be made available following the request of 6 September 2023 by the respondent; and for what reason the award cannot be paid to the successful appellant. (6384)

- 98N Janet Daby (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will publish the number of times that Rule 49 (segregation) was used in each young offender institution in England and Wales in each of the last 12 months. (6653)
- 99N Janet Daby (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the average number of hours children spent in education was in each (a) young offender institution and (b) secure training centre in each week of November 2023.
- 100NJanet Daby (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment has he made of the minimum hours a child in youth custody should spend out of cell on a (a) weekday and (b) weekend. (6655)
- 101NJanet Daby (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps he is taking to improve children's access to (a) classroom education and (b) vocational education in (i) young offender institutions and (ii) secure training centres.

  (6656)
- 102NSir George Howarth (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether he has provided recent guidance to officials in (a) his Department and (b) armslength bodies for which his Department is responsible on potential (i) regulatory, (ii) civil and (iii) criminal liability they may face in connection with failing to adhere to (A) the Civil Service Code, (B) Annex 4.14 (Remedy) of Managing Public Money and (C) complaints procedures published by his Department or its armslength bodies.
- 103NSir George Howarth (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether he has provided recent guidance to officials in (a) his Department and (b) other arms length bodies for which his Department is responsible on (i) regulatory, (ii) civil and (iii) criminal liability they may face for any failure to provide redress in accordance with the guidance entitled Remedy set out in annex 4.14 to Managing Public Money published on 4 May 2023. (6412)
- 104NSir George Howarth (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what processes are in place for (a) his Department and (b) the HM Courts and Tribunals Service to obtain legal (i) advice and (ii) representation from the Government Legal Department (GLD); on what financial terms legal services are provided; what remuneration rates are paid by his Department to the GLD; who within his Department is responsible for overseeing the relationship between his Department and the GLD; and what processes are in place to ensure communications between his Department and the GLD are detailed and well-informed.
- 105NMick Whitley (Birkenhead): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many and what proportion of applications to the Criminal Cases Review Commission have been referred to the Court of Appeal, in each year since the Criminal Cases Review Commission was established. (6638)

(6468)

in that report.

- 106NMick Whitley (Birkenhead): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many and what proportion of cases referred to the Court of Appeal by the Criminal Cases Review Commission have involved (a) new arguments, (b) new evidence and (c) neither in each year since the Criminal Cases Review Commission was established.
- 107NMick Whitley (Birkenhead): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many referrals by the Criminal Cases Review Commission have (a) solely and (b) in part utilised the exceptional circumstances grounds provided for in section 13 (2) of the Criminal Appeal Act 1995 in each year since the Criminal Cases Review Commission was established.
- 108NMick Whitley (Birkenhead): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what has been the average referral rate for the Criminal Cases Review Commission in each year since it was established. (6641)
- 109NMick Whitley (Birkenhead): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many cases has the Criminal Cases Review Commission referred to the Court of Appeal following an investigation that has revealed police (a) corruption and (b) malpractice in each year since the Criminal Cases Review Commission was established.
- 110N Mr Gregory Campbell (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what discussions he has had with the UN Special Rapporteur on the promotion of truth, justice, reparation and guarantees of non-recurrence since March 2023.

  (6408)
- 111N Mr Gregory Campbell (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what the cost to the public purse was for the Independent Commission for Reconciliation and Information Recovery since it was established. (6409)
- 112N Jonathan Ashworth (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, how much his Department spent on external recruitment consultants in the (a) 2020-21, (b) 2021-22 and (c) 2022-23 financial year. (6610)
- 113N Navendu Mishra (Stockport): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has had recent discussions with the (a) retail and (b) travel industries on the impact of the withdrawal of the VAT Retail Export Scheme on those industries. (6649)
- 114N Nick Smith (Blaenau Gwent): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the Fifth Special Report of the Treasury Committee of Session 2021–22 entitled Lessons from Greensill Capital: Responses to the Committee's Sixth Report of Session 2021–22, HC 723, whether the Financial Conduct Authority has implemented the recommendations

115N Jonathan Ashworth (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, how much his Department spent on external recruitment consultants in the (a) 2020-21, (b) 2021-22 and (c) 2022-23 financial year. (6611)

#### **Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions**

- 1 **Siobhan Baillie** (Stroud): What steps he is taking to help fill job vacancies in Stroud constituency. (900697)
- Daniel Zeichner (Cambridge): What steps his Department is taking to reduce waiting times for Access to Work assessments. (900698)
- 3 **Mr Louie French** (Old Bexley and Sidcup): What steps his Department is taking to support the long-term unemployed into work. (900699)
- 4 Chris Elmore (Ogmore): What assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of the employment rate forecast in the Office for Budget Responsibility's economic and fiscal outlook published in November 2023. (900700)
- 5 **Nigel Mills** (Amber Valley): What steps his Department is taking to reduce levels of fraud and error in the welfare system. (900701)
- 6 **Dr Luke Evans** (Bosworth): What steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to support disabled access to venues. (900702)
- 7 **John Penrose** (Weston-super-Mare): What assessment he has made of the potential impact of insecure employment on people in poverty. (900703)
- 8 **Greg Smith** (Buckingham): What steps his Department is taking to support the long-term unemployed into work. (900704)
- 9 Andrew Western (Stretford and Urmston): What steps his Department is taking to help reduce the number of children in poverty. (900705)
- 10 **Damien Moore** (Southport): What steps his Department is taking to help pensioners with the cost of living. (900706)
- 11 **Stephen Metcalfe** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): What steps his Department is taking to help ensure that people are financially incentivised to work. (900707)
- 12 **Janet Daby** (Lewisham East): What steps his Department is taking to help reduce the number of children in poverty. (900708)
- 13 Alex Cunningham (Stockton North): Whether he has made an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of UNICEF's report entitled Child Poverty in the Midst of Wealth. (900709)
- 14 Jamie Stone (Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross): What recent assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the Child Maintenance Service's enforcement procedures. (900710)

- 15 **Sarah Owen** (Luton North): What steps his Department is taking to help reduce the number of children in poverty. (900711)
- 16 **Richard Burgon** (Leeds East): What steps his Department is taking to help reduce the number of people experiencing destitution. (900712)
- 17 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): What assessment he has made of the potential impact on people with cancer of removing the mobilising activity from the Work Capability Assessment in relation to the Limited Capability for Work and Work-Related Activity group. (900713)
- 18 **Tim Loughton** (East Worthing and Shoreham): Whether he has made an assessment of the role of flexible working arrangements in supporting people to take up employment. (900714)
- 19 **Mr Alistair Carmichael** (Orkney and Shetland): Whether he has had recent discussions with the Pensions Regulator on the adequacy of the administration of defined benefit pension schemes. (900715)
- 20 Judith Cummins (Bradford South): What assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of the employment rate forecast in the Office for Budget Responsibility's economic and fiscal outlook published in November 2023. (900716)
- 21 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): What steps his Department is taking to help pensioners with the cost of living. (900717)
- 22 **Mr Rob Roberts** (Delyn): Whether he has made a recent estimate of the cost of introducing parity of state pensions for all British citizens living overseas. (900718)
- 23 **Priti Patel** (Witham): What steps his Department is taking to help reduce the unemployment rate in Essex. (900719)
- 24 **Mary Glindon** (North Tyneside): What steps his Department is taking to help reduce the number of children in poverty. (900720)
- 25 **Virginia Crosbie** (Ynys Môn): What steps his Department is taking to encourage people who are economically inactive due to long-term sickness and disability to return to work. (900721)

#### Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions

T1 **Siobhan Baillie** (Stroud): If he will make a statement on his departmental responsibilities.

(900722)

T2 David Duguid (Banff and Buchan):

(900723)

T3 Kirsten Oswald (East Renfrewshire):

(900724)

T4 Sarah Dyke (Somerton and Frome):

(900725)

T5 John Penrose (Weston-super-Mare):

(900726)

T6 Liz Twist (Blaydon):

(900727)

T7 Nigel Mills (Amber Valley):

(900728)

T8 Mr David Davis (Haltemprice and Howden):

(900729)

T9 Andrew Selous (South West Bedfordshire):

(900730)

T10 Richard Foord (Tiverton and Honiton):

(900731)

## Questions for Answer on Tuesday 19 December

### **Questions for Written Answer**

- 1N Antony Higginbotham (Burnley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment she has made of the (a) effectiveness and (b) efficiency of the export controls and licensing regime. (6671)
- 2N **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will make an estimate of how many people living in supported accommodation are unable to access the warm home discount because their landlord is the utility customer.

[Transferred] (6274)

- 3N **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the Park Homes Warm Home Discount scheme, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of extending the warm home discount to people living in supported accommodation.

  [Transferred] (6275)
- 4N **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps she is taking to help support people living in supported accommodation who do not have their own energy account with the cost of living.

[Transferred] (6276)

- 5N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps his Department is taking to help support leaseholders affected by dangerous cladding. (6389)
- 6N **Debbie Abrahams** (Oldham East and Saddleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of people have (a) been referred for and (b) received antiviral treatments as of 12 December 2023. (6628)
- 7N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the average time taken for eligible applicants to receive an immigration healthcare surcharge refund was in each of the past six months. (6625)
- 8N Wes Streeting (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what information her Department holds on the number and proportion of GP practices that enable patients to (a) see their medical records, (b) book appointments and (c) order repeat prescriptions through the NHS app. (6539)
- 9N **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many GP practices have signed up to the general practice improvement programme as of 12 December 2023. (6540)
- 10N **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many ICBs have introduced self-referral routes for (a) fall services, (b) musculoskeletal services, (c) audiology for older people, (d) weight management services, (e) community podiatry and (f) wheelchair and community equipment as of 12 November 2023. (6541)
- 11N **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate she has made of the proportion of pharmacists who supply prescription-only medicines without a GP appointment for (a) sinusitis, (b) sore throat, (c) earache, (d) infected insect bite, (e) impetigo, (f) shingles, and (g) uncomplicated urinary tract infections. (6543)
- 12N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many community work supervisors his Department has recruited since 2021. (6549)