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Questions tabled on Tuesday 19 December 2023

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Questions for Answer on Monday 8 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Chris Law** (Dundee West): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what criteria were used to assess the suitability of Capita to administer the Civil Service Pension Scheme for his Department. (7595)
- 2 **Chris Law** (Dundee West): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what assessment the Government has made of the security of civil servants' pensions data following the cyber attack against Capita in March 2023. (7596)
- 3 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what the (a) total and (b) full-time equivalent head count was of the civil service in each year since 1997. (7556)
- 4 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what the cost was of civil service salaries in each year since 1997. (7557)
- 5 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many civil servants were employed in each (a) Government department and (b) other public sector bodies by (i) head count and (ii) full time equivalent in each year since 1997. (7558)
- 6 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what recent progress his Department has made on implementing the public bodies reform programme 2020 to 2025; and if he will make an estimate of the impact of that reform programme on costs to the public purse (i) so far and (ii) in each of the next three financial years. (7559)

- 7 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what recent progress his Department has made on implementing the Government Efficiency Framework; and if he will make an estimate of the impact of that framework on costs to the public purse (i) so far and (ii) in each of the next three financial years. (7560)
- 8 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what (a) buildings, (b) other properties and (c) land leased by the Government have leases that are due to expire in each of the next ten years; how much the Government pays for each site each year; and what functions are performed on each site. (7561)
- 9 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will make an estimate of the total value of (a) land, (b) buildings and (c) other property owned by the Government. (7562)
- 10 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps he plans to take to reduce costs across Government departments in each of the next five years; and what estimate he has made of the resulting annual savings, by department. (7563)
- 11 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will make an estimate of the cost to the public purse of maintaining under-utilised (a) buildings, (b) other property and (c) land held by Government departments in the last 12 months. (7564)
- 12 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what (a) buildings, (b) land and (c) other property held by the Government are no longer required for operational purposes; and whether his Department is taking steps to (i) dispose and (ii) repurpose each site. (7565)
- 13 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the publication of transparency data on ministerial overseas travel for the period July to September 2023 on 14 December 2023, for what reason the (a) cost for the RAF flight and (b) the total cost for the Deputy Prime Minister's visit to the United States from 19 to 23 September 2023 were not included. (7525)
- 14 **Sir Edward Leigh** (Gainsborough): To ask the Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, whether the Church has had discussions with the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office on the attack on the St Francis Xavier Church in Owo, Nigeria in 2022; and whether the Church is providing aid for the victims of that attack. (7472)
- 15 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent assessment she has made of the (a) adequacy and (b) transparency of the arms export control regime. (7734)

- 16 **Dehenna Davison** (Bishop Auckland): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment her Department has made of the BBC's compliance with the impartiality clauses in its charter. (7670)
- 17 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she had discussions with (a) teachers' trade unions and (b) LGBTQ+ organisations on her Department's draft guidance on Gender questioning children: draft schools and colleges guidance, published on 19 December 2023. (7688)
- 18 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made an estimate of the proportion of pupils identifying as LGBTQ+ who have been bullied in the last 12 months. (7689)
- 19 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of schools on the mental health of young people identifying as LGBTQ+. (7690)
- 20 **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her department has made a recent assessment of the potential (a) economic, (b) health and (c) educational benefits of extending eligibility for free school meals. (7711)
- 21 **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department has made a recent assessment of the potential implications for her policies on provision of free school meals of universal school meals roll-out in (a) London, (b) Scotland and (c) Wales. (7712)
- 22 **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department is taking steps to help tackle cost pressures on (a) parents and (b) schools who are paying to provide school meals. (7713)
- 23 **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will raise the threshold for receipt of free school meals. (7714)
- 24 **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the Answer of 14 June 2023 to Question 187978 on Free School Meals, how her Department keeps eligibility for free school meals under review to ensure that these meals are supporting those who most need them. (7715)
- 25 **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the implications for her policies on free school meals of the briefing by the Child Poverty Action Group entitled Free school meals: third of kids in poverty miss out, published in July 2023. (7716)
- 26 **Dehenna Davison** (Bishop Auckland): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to ensure there is an adequate provision of SEND places in schools. (7669)

- 27 **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much funding has been provided to Institutes of Technology in (a) wave one and (b) wave two in each year since 2019. (7571)
- 28 **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many full-time equivalent staff are working at Institutes of Technology. (7572)
- 29 **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many Institutes of Technology have specially built facilities. (7573)
- 30 **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much funding her Department provided to (a) combined authorities, (b) local authorities, (c) Local Enterprise Partnerships and (d) employer representative bodies to support the development of local skills improvement plans in the latest period for which data is available. (7574)
- 31 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 13 December 2023 to Question 3789 on Apprentices: Taxation, what the total expired unused Apprenticeship Levy funds were in each month since May 2019. (7553)
- 32 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, which (a) sectors and (b) employers were (i) most and (ii) least likely to utilise the funds provided through the apprenticeship levy in the latest period for which data is available. (7554)
- 33 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to promote the take-up of degree-level apprenticeships in the London Borough of Havering. (7507)
- 34 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what progress her Department has made on improving attainment in mathematics in primary schools. (7508)
- 35 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what progress her Department has made on ensuring that schools in (a) Romford constituency and (b) England have defibrillators. (7509)
- 36N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of allowing employers in (a) commercial laundries and (b) other sectors to use 25% of their apprenticeship levy funds for non-apprenticeship training. [Transferred] (7374)
- 37 **Caroline Ansell** (Eastbourne): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what progress her Department has made on launching the consultation on barriers to developing community energy projects. (7633)
- 38 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps her Department plans to take to (a) help support fuel poor homes to have an EPC rating of C or higher by 2030 and (b)

incentivise landlords to improve the energy efficiency of their properties, in the context of the Government's commitment to scrap policies to force landlords to upgrade the energy efficiency of their properties as outlined in the press notice entitled PM recommits UK to Net Zero by 2050 and pledges a "fairer" path to achieving target to ease the financial burden on British families, published on 20 September 2023. (7542)

- 39 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will make it her policy to require the National Grid Electricity System Operator to prioritise the use of battery storage instead of fossil fuel-based power. (7543)
- 40 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the Answer of 25 October 2023 to Question 203474 on North Sea Oil: Shetland, whether she has made an assessment of the potential impact of the development of Rosebank oil field on the extent to which the UK will meet the North Sea Transition Deal emissions reduction targets. (7544)
- 41 **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when he expects the United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food to visit the UK. (7717)
- 42 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how much his Department spent in sustainable farming incentive payments excluding pilot schemes in the financial year 2022-2023. (7534)
- 43 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to increase payment rates for the (a) Higher Level Stewardship and (b) Upland Entry Level Stewardship schemes. (7535)
- 44 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to introduce 10 year sustainable farming incentive agreements. (7536)
- 45 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to ensure that farmers are able to (a) access and (b) use capital grants. (7537)
- 46 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what information his Department holds on the number of farmers that have died by suicide in each of the last ten years. (7538)
- 47 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help support large local authorities to introduce food waste collections by 2026. (7640)

- 48 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has had recent discussions with the Environment Agency on the (a) accuracy of flood maps and (b) extent to which those maps take into account an area's flood defences. (7476)
- 49 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to his Department's guidance entitled Waste collection services: guidance for local authorities, published on 23 July 2021, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of publishing statutory guidance for local authorities on sorting waste materials. (7637)
- 50 **Mr Ranil Jayawardena** (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help tackle the illegal trade of ivory. (7630)
- 51 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to introduce stand-alone legislative proposals to tackle puppy smuggling. (7499)
- 52 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department is taking steps to tackle the number of road accidents involving cats. (7500)
- 53 **Justin Tomlinson** (North Swindon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to tackle dog theft. [Transferred] (7325)
- 54 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of funding levels of local public services. (7694)
- 55 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of outsourcing on the quality of service provision. (7695)
- 56 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to the publication entitled Raising accessibility standards for new homes: summary of consultation responses and government response, updated 29 July 2022, what his planned timetable is for raising the baseline regulatory requirements for accessibility of all new homes to the M4(2) accessible and adaptable requirement. (7551)
- 57 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of requiring the Planning Inspectorate to reject local plans that do not include a policy statement that sets a target for the proportion of homes to be built for wheelchair users under part M4 (3) of the building regulations. (7552)

- 58 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what estimate he has made of the number of homes that have been built in areas deemed to be at high risk of flooding from (a) rivers and (b) the sea since 2019. (7477)
- 59 **Ian Lavery** (Wansbeck): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many properties are being used to house asylum seekers in Wansbeck as of 19 December 2023. (7567)
- 60 **Ian Lavery** (Wansbeck): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many asylum seekers are housed in Wansbeck as of 19 December 2023. (7568)
- 61 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps is he taking to ensure that local authority planning departments have an adequate skilled workforce. (7625)
- 62 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of simplifying neighbourhood plans. (7626)
- 63 **Dame Maria Miller** (Basingstoke): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps his Department takes to ensure that calculated local housing need reflects the housing need of the local population. (7520)
- 64 **Dame Maria Miller** (Basingstoke): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many new houses were built in each local authority in each of the last 30 years. (7522)
- 65 **Dame Maria Miller** (Basingstoke): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, which local authority areas have built homes for more than 100,000 people in the last 30 years. (7523)
- 66 **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will publish a list of the local authorities he has issued a direction to publish a plan timetable within 12 weeks of the publication of the National Planning Policy Framework. (7727)
- 67 **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will publish the designation thresholds for local authorities' planning decision making performance. (7728)
- 68 **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he has made an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of the report by Autonomy entitled The results are in: the UK's four-day week pilot, published in February 2023. (7729)

- 69 **Caroline Ansell** (Eastbourne): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of encouraging the airline industry to alert passport holders at the time of booking about new EU exit passport requirements in 2024. (7632)
- 70 **Fiona Bruce** (Congleton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much funding his Department provided to Cheshire East Council for highways (a) maintenance and (b) improvements in the (i) 2022-23 and (ii) 2023-24 financial year. (7547)
- 71 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to his Department's press release entitled Government announces new long-term plan to back drivers, published on 29 September 2023, if his Department will publish its assessment of the impact of speeding on road safety. (7641)
- 72 **Tahir Ali** (Birmingham, Hall Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that workers are not dismissed for their legal political opinions. (7673)
- 73 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment his Department has made of the level of (a) absolute, (b) relative, (c) fuel and (d) food poverty in Poplar and Limehouse constituency. (7686)
- 74 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment his Department has made of the number of children living in poverty in Poplar and Limehouse constituency. (7687)
- 75 **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of bringing forward proposals in line with the recommendations on an essentials guarantee as set out in the report by Trussell Trust and Joseph Rowntree Foundation on that subject published on 27 February 2023. [Transferred] (7271)
- 76 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many working-age claimants of benefits were non-UK nationals when they registered for a National Insurance number. (7648)
- 77 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of ending the Household Support Fund on low-income households. (7634)
- 78 **Chris Stephens** (Glasgow South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many staff in his Department investigate benefit fraud; and what recent estimate he has made of the cost of fraud to the public purse in the last 12 months. (7604)

- 79 **Chris Stephens** (Glasgow South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many appeals against Personal Independence Payment decisions were lapsed by her Department in the latest period for which data is available. (7608)
- 80 **Chris Stephens** (Glasgow South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, when the most recent risk assessment on violence at work was conducted at Govan jobcentre. (7610)
- 81 **Chris Stephens** (Glasgow South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether he has made an estimate of the number of violence-at-work incidents that have been reported at Govan job centre. (7611)
- 82 **Chris Stephens** (Glasgow South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many jobcentre clients have been assisted by an Armed Forces Champion in Glasgow South West constituency in the last 12 months. (7612)
- 83 **Nickie Aiken** (Cities of London and Westminster): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has had discussions with the NHS on the potential merits of providing access to licensed gene therapies manufactured in the UK free of charge on the NHS. (7672)
- 84 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for her policies on prevention of the Cancer Research UK publication entitled, Longer, better lives: A manifesto for cancer research and care. (7548)
- 85 **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of including non-alcohol related liver disease assessments in the NHS Health Check programme. (7709)
- 86 **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the guidance entitled FibroScan for assessing liver fibrosis and cirrhosis outside secondary and specialist care published by the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence on 7 June 2023, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of expanding the use of FibroScans in (a) primary and (b) community care. (7710)
- 87 **Judith Cummins** (Bradford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to reduce the medication initiation waiting time for people who receive a diagnosis of Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder through Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services. (7592)
- 88 **Judith Cummins** (Bradford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment she has made of the adequacy of the global supply of (a) Methylphenidate, (b) Lisdexamfetamine, (c) Guanfacine and (d) other Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder medications. (7593)

- 89 **Judith Cummins** (Bradford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment she has made of the adequacy of NHS supplies of (a) Methylphenidate, (b) Lisdexamfetamine, (c) Guanfacine and (d) other Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder medications. (7594)
- 90 **Janet Daby** (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the statutory guidance on promoting the health and wellbeing of looked-after children published on 17 March 2015, if she will review and update that guidance. (7662)
- 91 **Dehenna Davison** (Bishop Auckland): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that families are supported in the event of a stillborn child. (7671)
- 92 **Ian Lavery** (Wansbeck): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to increase the availability of medication for people with ADHD in Wansbeck constituency; and what recent estimate he has made of when supplies of this medication will be available. (7569)
- 93 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will provide NHS Sussex Integrated Care Board with the additional £8m funding required to pay for the projected increase in demand in primary care for Locally Commissioned Services for this financial year. (7541)
- 94 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will take steps to ensure all infections are screened for sepsis. (7618)
- 95 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to help ensure protocols for diagnosing sepsis are applied across the healthcare sector. (7619)
- 96 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will take steps to ensure all Trusts with secondary care services have a clinical lead for sepsis. (7620)
- 97 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether her Department has provided funding for the procurement of into laser treatments for the prevention of (a) sepsis and (b) bacterial infections for people with wounds. (7621)
- 98 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if her Department will take steps to review historic cases of sepsis to help (a) identify, (b) treat and (c) prevent mortality arising from sepsis. (7622)
- 99 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will make an assessment of the implications for her policies of processes for the management of sepsis in other countries. (7623)
- 100 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will take steps to develop a sepsis strategy. (7624)

- 101 **Conor McGinn** (St Helens North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to increase the availability of NHS dental treatment in St Helens North constituency. (7599)
- 102 **Conor McGinn** (St Helens North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to help increase capacity of NHS dentists in St Helens North constituency. (7600)
- 103 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate she has made of the number of UK-born clinicians that have left the NHS in the last 12 months; and whether she holds information on the number that have moved abroad for work. (7696)
- 104 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of instructing the General Medical Council to regulate (a) physician and (b) anaesthesia associates on the quality of care. (7635)
- 105 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to help improve the diagnosis (a) rates and (b) treatments for ovarian cancer in (i) England and (ii) Romford constituency. (7501)
- 106 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to raise awareness of ovarian cancer in (a) England and (b) Romford constituency. (7502)
- 107 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to support research into treatments for Alzheimer's disease. (7503)
- 108 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if her Department will take steps to promote the usage of Kaftrio as a treatment for cystic fibrosis. (7504)
- 109 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve the (a) quality and (b) nutritional value of meals for NHS patients. (7515)
- 110 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to increase the number of student dentistry places. (7516)
- 111 **Mark Tami** (Alyn and Deeside): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much funding her Department has provided for research that has led to clinical trials for (a) paediatric cancer, (b) neuroblastoma and (c) other rare cancers in each of the last five years. (7496)

- 112 **Liz Twist** (Blaydon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has made an estimate of the number of people accessing perinatal mental health services by NHS inclusion groups since 2017. (7732)
- 113 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has made a recent assessment of the potential merits of requiring physician associates to work under a named registered medical practitioner. (7697)
- 114 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether his Department has made a recent estimate of the number of (a) civilians, (b) women and (c) children killed in Gaza since 8 October 2023. (7680)
- 115 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether his Department has made a recent estimate of the number of (a) schools, (b) hospitals and (c) refugee camps in Gaza that have been struck by bombs since 8 October 2023. (7681)
- 116 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether his Department has made a recent assessment of the number of people who have been displaced in Gaza since 8 October 2023. (7682)
- 117 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what information his Department holds on the number of Israeli (a) civilians, (b) women and (c) children that have been killed since 7 October 2023. (7683)
- 118 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what information his Department holds on the number of Israeli hostages that (a) were taken on 7 October 2023, (b) have died, (c) have been released and (d) remain in captivity. (7684)
- 119 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what information his Department holds on the number of (a) civilians, (b) women and (c) children that have been killed in Sudan since April 2023. (7685)
- 120 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent assessment he has made of the implications for his Department's policies of media reports of Hamas's use of (a) children's toys and (b) speakers broadcasting crying sounds in the conflict in Gaza. (7549)
- 121 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent assessment he has made of the implications for his Department's policies of Israeli Defence Force reports of Hamas using schools as bases. (7550)

- 122 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will make an assessment of the implications for his policies of the report by Human Rights Watch entitled Israel: Starvation Used as Weapon of War in Gaza, published on 18 December 2023. (7644)
- 123 **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will issue guidance for individuals considering travelling to (a) Israel and (b) Palestine with the intention of fighting in Gaza. (7598)
- 124 **Jonathan Gullis** (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment he has made of the implications for his Department's policies of comments by Iranian Minister of Cultural Heritage General Ezzatollah Zarghami that he (a) supplied rockets for use against Israel and (b) provided training to Hamas in their underground tunnels. (7701)
- 125 **Jonathan Gullis** (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent discussions he has had with his Israeli counterpart on reports that the Israeli Defense Forces (a) arrested Hamas terrorists responsible for the killings on 7 October 2023, (b) destroyed Hamas infrastructure and (c) recovered weapons in Jabalya. (7702)
- 126 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has had recent discussions with his Chinese counterpart on the persecution of Buddhists in Tibet. (7703)
- 127 **Mr Ranil Jayawardena** (North East Hampshire): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has had recent discussions with his counterpart in (a) the Ivory Coast, (b) Ghana, (c) Central African Republic, (d) Gabon, (e) Cameroon and (f) other countries in the region on taking further steps to help tackle the poaching of forest (i) elephants and (ii) elephant calves. (7627)
- 128 **Mr Ranil Jayawardena** (North East Hampshire): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether his Department is taking steps with (a) international counterparts, (b) charities and (c) rangers to help tackle the poaching of elephants. (7628)
- 129 **Mr Ranil Jayawardena** (North East Hampshire): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, how many rangers received funding from his Department to help tackle the poaching of elephants in the latest period for which data is available. (7629)
- 130 **Stephen Kinnock** (Aberavon): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent discussions he has had with his Rwandan counterpart on potential threats to the personal safety of Victoire Ingabire Umuhoya. (7580)

- 131 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, with reference to the Written Statement of 17 October 2023 on International Climate Finance, HCWS1071, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of the reclassification of climate finance on the proportion of international climate finance provided by the UK in the form of (a) loans and (b) other non-grant instruments. (7539)
- 132 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, pursuant to the Answers of 24 November 2023 and 11 December 2023 to Questions 2123 and 4902 on Gaza: Humanitarian Aid, for what reasons the daily average of 500 truckloads of humanitarian supplies is not being reached; and what progress he has made in finding other routes for aid to get into Gaza. (7540)
- 133 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will take diplomatic steps with his international counterparts to help secure a permanent ceasefire between Israel and Gaza. (7733)
- 134 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps his Department is taking to help support reconstruction in Nepal. (7636)
- 135 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps his Department is taking to help support security in the Nagorno-Karabakh region. (7505)
- 136 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has had discussions with his counterpart in Guyana on the recent referendum in Venezuela on the Venezuela-Guyana border. (7510)
- 137 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has had recent discussions with his counterparts in (a) Egypt, (b) Sudan, (c) Saudi Arabia and (d) Yemen on maritime security in the Red Sea. (7511)
- 138 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, how many UK nationals have requested consular assistance in Yemen in each of the last three years. (7512)
- 139 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, how many officials from his Department are stationed at the UK's diplomatic mission in Sana'a as of 19 December 2023. (7513)
- 140 **Claudia Webbe** (Leicester East): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will make it his policy to advocate for an international ban on the use of white phosphorus in conflicts. (7718)

- 141 **Claudia Webbe** (Leicester East): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent estimate he has made of the number of British nationals in Gaza. (7719)
- 142 **Claudia Webbe** (Leicester East): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether his Department has made an estimate of the number of individuals currently held hostage by (a) Israel and (b) Hamas. (7720)
- 143 **Claudia Webbe** (Leicester East): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the treatment of Palestinian children in the Israeli military detention system. (7721)
- 144 **Claudia Webbe** (Leicester East): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, how many British nationals are held in Israeli military detention. (7722)
- 145 **Claudia Webbe** (Leicester East): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that individuals are held to account for alleged human rights violations in the conflict in Gaza. (7723)
- 146 **Caroline Ansell** (Eastbourne): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether he is taking steps to increase public awareness of the new EU entry passport requirements coming into force in 2024. (7631)
- 147 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment his Department has made of the impact of the no recourse to public funds status on (a) homelessness, (b) poverty, (c) access to healthcare and (d) violence against women and girls. (7691)
- 148 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many pregnant people are detained in (a) prison and (b) an immigration detention centre. (7692)
- 149 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment his Department has made of the implications for his policies of the experiences of the criminal justice system of survivors of domestic abuse. (7693)
- 150 **Stephen Crabb** (Preseli Pembrokeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent discussions he has had with his (a) EU and (b) French counterparts on the implementation of the new EU entry/exit system. (7529)
- 151 **Stephen Crabb** (Preseli Pembrokeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the implementation of the new EU entry/exit system on passenger processing times at St Pancras International station. (7530)

- 152 **Stephen Crabb** (Preseli Pembrokeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the implementation of the new EU entry/exit system on vehicle processing times at Dover ferry port. (7531)
- 153 **Stephen Crabb** (Preseli Pembrokeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the implementation of the new EU entry/exit system on vehicle processing times at the Eurotunnel terminal. (7532)
- 154 **Stephen Crabb** (Preseli Pembrokeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent discussions he has had with representatives of (a) Eurostar, Port of Dover and (b) Eurotunnel on the implementation of the new EU entry/exit system. (7533)
- 155 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to his Oral Statement of 4 December 2023 on Legal Migration, Official Report, column 42, on what evidential basis his Department proposed preventing overseas care workers from bringing family dependants to the UK. (7726)
- 156 **Alex Norris** (Nottingham North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether his Department has made an assessment of the prevalence of certificates of sponsorship for care workers being sold overseas. (7643)
- 157 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps his Department is taking to support male victims of domestic abuse in (a) Romford constituency and (b) the UK. (7506)
- 158 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps his Department is taking to support disabled asylum seekers in asylum accommodation. (7645)
- 159 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to his oral contribution of 4 December 2023, Official Report, column 41, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of establishing a statutory right for British citizens to be joined by their non-UK spouse or partner on a family visa. (7698)
- 160 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to his oral contribution of 4 December 2023, Official Report, column 41, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of allowing job offers made to a non-UK spouse or partner to be taken into account under the minimum income requirement for family visas. (7699)
- 161 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to his oral contribution of 4 December 2023, Official Report, column 41, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits

of allowing third party support from the (a) parents and (b) siblings of the (i) applicant and (ii) their partner to contribute towards the minimum income requirement for family visas. (7700)

162 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the budget for diversity and inclusion (a) advisers and (b) practitioners was in his Department in each financial year since 2019-20. (7482)

163 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many active bystander training courses diversity and inclusion (a) advisers and (b) practitioners conducted for his Department in each year since 2019. (7483)

164 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many diversity and inclusion (a) adviser and (b) practitioner posts in his Department are vacant as of 19 December 2023. (7485)

165 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 21 of JSP 763 entitled Behaviours and informal complaint resolution Part 1 (Directive), how many climate assessments conducted in civilian Top Level Budgets were made in each year since 2019. (7487)

166 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 21 of JSP 763 Behaviours and informal complaint resolution Part 1: Directive – understanding behaviours in Defence, how many climate assessments conducted in civilian Top Level Budgets reported (a) bullying, (b) harassment and (c) discrimination in each year since 2019. (7488)

167 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 22 of JSP 763 Behaviours and informal complaint resolution Part 1: Directive – understanding behaviours in Defence, how many climate assessments were triggered by a high number of personnel (a) on sick leave and (b) medically downgraded in each year since 2019. (7490)

168 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 22 of JSP 763 Behaviours and informal complaint resolution Part 1: Directive – understanding behaviours in Defence, how many climate assessments were triggered by a high number of informal complaints in each year since 2019. (7492)

169 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 22 of JSP 763 Behaviours and informal complaint resolution Part 1: Directive – understanding behaviours in Defence, how many climate assessments were triggered by a high number of personnel citing (a) bullying, (b) harassment and (c) discrimination as a reason for leaving in exit data in each year since 2019. (7493)

- 170 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 22 of JSP 763 Behaviours and informal complaint resolution Part 1: Directive – understanding behaviours in Defence, how many climate assessments were triggered by concerning findings from a level 1 climate assessment in each year since 2019. (7494)
- 171 **Chris Law** (Dundee West): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the impact of the cyber attack against Capita in March 2023 on the security of civil servants' pensions data. (7597)
- 172 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to support maritime security in the Red Sea. (7514)
- 173 **Claudia Webbe** (Leicester East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to help ensure British-made weapons are not used in acts that breach human rights. (7724)
- 174 **Claudia Webbe** (Leicester East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to ensure (a) transparency and (b) accountability of arms sales to countries involved in conflicts. (7725)
- 175 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many random mandatory drug tests were carried out in prisons in each year between 2019 and 2023 inclusive. (7583)
- 176 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the Answer of 26 June 2023 to Question 190334, whether he has made an estimate of the number of (a) prison officers and (b) other prison staff who have been (i) investigated, (ii) arrested and (iii) charged in relation to the supply of drugs in prisons in each of the last six months. (7587)
- 177 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many urgent notifications have been issued by the prison inspectorate in each year from 2019 to 2023 inclusive. (7588)
- 178 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the HMP Woodhill Urgent Notification: Initial Response Action Plan published on 1 September 2023, which actions set out in that plan have been completed as of 19 December 2023. (7589)
- 179 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what maintenance work is required at HMP Woodhill as of 19 December 2023. (7590)
- 180 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps have been taken to repair broken telephones for prison inmates at HMP Woodhill. (7591)

- 181 **Janet Daby** (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to HM Prison and Probation Service's publication entitled Strategy for Care-Experienced People, if will he make it his policy to publish an update to that publication that focuses on race and ethnicity. (7649)
- 182 **Janet Daby** (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the Report on an unannounced inspection of HMYOI Werrington by HM Chief Inspector of Prisons 31 July to 11 August 2023, published on 21 November 2023, what steps he is taking to improve outcomes in (a) education, (b) safety, (c) care, (d) purposeful activity and (e) resettlement at HMYOI Werrington. (7655)
- 183 **Janet Daby** (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what plans he has to (a) record and (b) publish data on conviction rates of joint enterprise. (7656)
- 184 **Janet Daby** (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what plans he has to improve the provision of mental health care across the youth secure estate. (7657)
- 185 **Janet Daby** (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what plans he has to increase prison officer (a) recruitment and (b) retention rates across the youth secure estate. (7658)
- 186 **Janet Daby** (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the Answer of 18 December 2023 to Question 6655 on Youth Custody, how many conflict resolution practitioners have worked with children and young people at (a) HMYOI Cookham Wood, (b) HMYOI Feltham, (c) Parc YOI, (d) HMYOI Wetherby, (e) HMYOI Werrington and (f) Oakhill STCii to resolve conflict in each of the last 12 months. (7659)
- 187 **Janet Daby** (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 13 December 2023 to Question 5312 on Young Offender Institutions, what his planned timetable is for completing the resource review that will assess how to improve staff outcomes in each Young Offender Institution. (7660)
- 188 **Janet Daby** (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 16 October 2023 to Question 200374 on Young Offender Institutions: Buildings, what progress his Department has made in identifying the presence of Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete in the youth estate. (7661)
- 189 **Janet Daby** (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps he is taking to ensure that Feltham Prison and Young Offender Institution does not exceed its operational capacity. (7663)
- 190 **Janet Daby** (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether he plans to take steps to reduce the remand population in the youth secure estate in England and Wales. (7664)

- 191 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether his Department has provided guidance to local authorities on notifying families of the deceased when (a) laying down and (b) moving (i) gravestones and (ii) other memorials. [Transferred] (7246)
- 192 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many people were sentenced to prison for theft in each year since 2019. (7473)
- 193 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many people were sentenced to prison for (a) common assault and (b) battery in each year since 2019. (7474)
- 194 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many people were sentenced to prison for assaulting an emergency worker in each year since 2019. (7475)
- 195 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many and what proportion of foreign national prisoners have indefinite leave to remain in the UK. (7646)
- 196 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many and what proportion of foreign national prisoners made a claim for asylum prior to being detained in the latest year for which data is available. (7647)
- 197 **Chris Stephens** (Glasgow South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many and what proportion of appeals to the Tribunals Service for (a) personal independence payment, (b) employment and support allowance, (c) income support, (d) jobseekers allowance and (e) tax credits were successful in (i) Glasgow South West constituency, (ii) Glasgow, (iii) Scotland and (iv) Great Britain in (A) 2021-22 and (B) 2022-23. (7609)
- 198 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Prime Minister, on what occasions he has been briefed on climate science by the Chief Scientist in 2023. (7546)
- 199 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the Answer of 25 October 2023 to Question 202954 on North Sea Oil: Tax Allowances, what assessment he has made of the economic impact of the development of the Rosebank oil field on the Exchequer; and whether he has made an estimate of its financial impact on public purse. (7545)
- 200 **Conor McGinn** (St Helens North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of Lifetime ISAs for helping first-time buyers in (a) Merseyside (b) St Helens. (7601)
- 201 **Conor McGinn** (St Helens North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the impact of trends in the level of interest rates on homeowners in St Helens North constituency. (7602)

- 202 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 5 December 2023 to Question 3785 on Corporation Tax: International Cooperation, when he next plans to (a) review and (b) make an assessment of the potential impact on (i) UK-based businesses and (ii) foreign direct investment of implementation of the OECD Pillar 2 minimum corporation tax measures. (7555)
- 203 **Chris Stephens** (Glasgow South West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many full-time equivalent staff are employed to investigate tax evasion in HMRC's Wealthy Team as of 19 December 2023. (7603)
- 204 **Chris Stephens** (Glasgow South West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many full-time equivalent staff work in HMRC's national minimum wage compliance unit; and how many posts in that unit were unfilled as of 19 December 2023. (7605)
- 205 **Chris Stephens** (Glasgow South West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an estimate of the number of people that are required to make payments under the Loan Charge as of 19 December 2023. (7606)
- 206 **Chris Stephens** (Glasgow South West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps he is taking to ensure umbrella companies comply with legislation on the deduction of employers' taxes from contractors' pay. (7607)

Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Defence

- 1 **Virginia Crosbie** (Ynys Môn): What steps his Department is taking to support defence jobs. (900852)
- 2 **Nigel Mills** (Amber Valley): What steps his Department is taking to help protect shipping routes through the Red Sea. (900853)
- 3 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): What steps his Department is taking to provide military support to Ukraine. (900854)
- 4 **Sarah Dyke** (Somerton and Frome): What recent assessment he has made of trends in the number of women employed in the defence sector. (900855)
- 5 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): What steps he is taking to support the delivery of UK aid to Gaza. (900856)
- 6 **Mr Alistair Carmichael** (Orkney and Shetland): What recent assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the Royal Navy in protecting merchant shipping routes in conflict zones. (900857)
- 7 **Rachel Hopkins** (Luton South): What recent steps Veterans UK has taken to support veterans and their families. (900858)
- 8 **Robin Millar** (Aberconwy): What steps his Department is taking to support veterans. (900859)

- 9 **Mrs Pauline Latham** (Mid Derbyshire): What recent progress his Department has made on the AUKUS partnership. (900860)
- 10 **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): What steps his Department is taking to support armed forces personnel with the cost of living. (900861)
- 11 **Richard Foord** (Tiverton and Honiton): What military aid his Department plans to provide to Ukraine in financial year 2024-25. (900862)
- 12 **Theresa Villiers** (Chipping Barnet): What steps he is taking to support Israel in preventing terrorist attacks. (900863)
- 13 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): What steps his Department is taking to support Ukraine. (900864)
- 14 **Michael Shanks** (Rutherglen and Hamilton West): Whether he has had discussions with the Secretary of State for the Home Department on his Department's potential role in the UK-Rwanda migration partnership. (900865)
- 15 **Will Quince** (Colchester): What steps his Department is taking to recruit armed forces personnel. (900866)
- 16 **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): What steps he is taking to support the delivery of UK aid to Gaza. (900867)
- 17 **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): What steps he is taking to support the delivery of UK aid to Gaza. (900868)
- 18 **Ian Levy** (Blyth Valley): What steps his Department is taking to support the provision of humanitarian aid to Gaza. (900869)
- 19 **Jamie Stone** (Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross): What steps he is taking to help maintain security in the North Sea. (900870)
- 20 **Joanna Cherry** (Edinburgh South West): If he will make an assessment of the potential impact of the ineligibility of certain Afghan armed forces personnel for the Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy on the wellbeing of serving and retired military personnel. (900871)
- 21 **Paul Holmes** (Eastleigh): What steps his Department is taking to support veterans. (900872)
- 22 **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): What recent assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of trends in the level of armed forces recruitment since 2020. (900873)
- 23 **Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck** (South Shields): What steps he is taking to increase military support to Ukraine. (900874)
- 24 **Dr James Davies** (Vale of Clwyd): What steps his Department is taking to support veterans. (900875)

- 25 **Dame Nia Griffith** (Llanelli): What steps he is taking to increase military support to Ukraine. (900876)
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Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Defence

- T1 **Sara Britcliffe** (Hyndburn): If he will make a statement on his departmental responsibilities. (900877)
- T2 **Ashley Dalton** (West Lancashire): (900878)
- T3 **Anna Firth** (Southend West): (900879)
- T4 **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): (900880)
- T5 **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): (900881)
- T6 **Mrs Pauline Latham** (Mid Derbyshire): (900882)
- T7 **Patricia Gibson** (North Ayrshire and Arran): (900883)
- T8 **Liz Twist** (Blaydon): (900884)
- T9 **Mark Menzies** (Fylde): (900885)
- T10 **Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck** (South Shields): (900886)
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Questions for Answer on Tuesday 9 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Dame Nia Griffith** (Llanelli): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how much has been spent on the development of GovPass as of 19 December 2023. (7526)
- 2N **Dame Nia Griffith** (Llanelli): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what his planned timetable is for the rollout of GovPass to all civil servants. (7527)
- 3N **Dame Nia Griffith** (Llanelli): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what assessment he has made of the cost effectiveness of GovPass. (7528)
- 4N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how much and what proportion of her Department's capital grants to local authorities have been spent on internal (a) administration and (b) other management costs in each financial year since 2015-16. (7615)

- 5N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much and what proportion of her Department's capital grants to local authorities have been spent on internal (a) administration and (b) other management costs in each financial year since 2015-16. (7616)
- 6N **Dave Doogan** (Angus): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent assessment she has made of the adequacy of the UK's oil refinery capacity for meeting demand for domestic energy. (7665)
- 7N **Dave Doogan** (Angus): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of oil refinery capacity for energy security. (7666)
- 8N **Dave Doogan** (Angus): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will make an estimate of the potential impact of trends in the level of imported energy on the cost of energy for (a) domestic and (b) business customers in the last five years. (7667)
- 9N **Dave Doogan** (Angus): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the closure of the Grangemouth oil refinery on the labour market in Scotland. (7668)
- 10N **Mr Clive Betts** (Sheffield South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to The Minister for Housing, Planning and Building Safety's oral statement on Long-term Plan for Housing on 19 December 2023, Official report, whether he plans to take steps to ensure the urban uplift within the National Planning Policy Framework meets the housing needs of each urban area. (7478)
- 11N **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to the National Planning Policy Framework updated on 19 December 2023, if he will publish additional guidance for (a) local authorities and (b) the Planning Inspectorate on balancing considerations relating to (i) green belt boundaries and (ii) housing targets when determining planning (A) applications and (B) appeals in the context of the standard method formula. (7676)
- 12N **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he has had correspondence with St Albans City and District Council on its timetable for completing its local plan. (7677)
- 13N **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will provide additional funding for the St Albans City & District Council Local Plan to be expedited. (7678)
- 14N **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to the revised National Planning Policy Framework published on 19 December 2023, what his Department's policy is on

whether local authorities who are in the process of developing a local plan (a) can and (b) should exclude some sites identified for housing development which are in the green belt. (7679)

15N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many properties were sold through Right to Buy in each of the core cities in each of the last 10 years. (7639)

16N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how much and what proportion of his Department's capital grants to local authorities have been spent on internal (a) administration and (b) other management costs in each financial year since 2015-16. (7613)

17N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he plans to provide funding for the Birmingham Eastside metro extension through the Network North plan. (7638)

18N **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will publish the successful bids to the Restoring Your Railway Fund as of 19 December 2023. (7498)

19N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much and what proportion of his Department's capital grants to local authorities have been spent on internal (a) administration and (b) other management costs in each financial year since 2015-16. (7614)

20N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment has he made of the potential reasons for the increase in people accessing alcohol support services post-covid. (7566)

21N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has made an estimate of the number of deaths from sepsis in each of the last five years. (7617)

22N **Alistair Strathern** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment her Department has made of the adequacy of supplies of Elvanse 30mg ADHD medication. (7730)

23N **Alistair Strathern** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much and what proportion of the grant provided to Bedfordshire, Luton and Milton Keynes Integrated Care Board for NHS dental care remains unspent as of 19 December 2023; and what her Department's policy is on the use of unspent grant money to cover wider budget shortfalls. (7731)

24N **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will raise with the Moroccan Ambassador the potential release of detained Saharawi human rights activists. (7642)

- 25N **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph 4.8 of JSP 763 Behaviours and informal complaint resolution Part 1: Directive – understanding behaviours in Defence, published in June 2021, how many and what proportion of diversity and inclusion (a) advisers and (b) practitioners in his Department have not fully completed their training by the Defence Academy as of 19 December 2023. (7484)
- 26N **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 20 of JSP 763 entitled Behaviours and informal complaint resolution Part 1 (Directive), how many incidents have been recorded by Lead D&I(As) in each month since January 2020. (7486)
- 27N **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 22 of JSP 763 Behaviours and informal complaint resolution Part 1: Directive – understanding behaviours in Defence, how many climate assessments were triggered by a high number of calls to helplines in each year since 2019. (7489)
- 28N **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 22 of JSP 763 Behaviours and informal complaint resolution Part 1: Directive – understanding behaviours in Defence, how many climate assessments were triggered by a high number of formal complaints in each year since 2019. (7491)
- 29N **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many people reported (a) bullying, (b) harassment and (c) discrimination as a reason for leaving his Department in exit data in each of the last five years. (7495)
- 30N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 19 December 2023 to Question 6086 on Armed Forces: Housing, what the grades are of each of the 9,121 unoccupied service family accommodation units. (7479)
- 31N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the average time was for an applicant to complete the recruitment process for the regular (a) Army, (b) Royal Navy and (c) RAF in each year since 2015. (7480)
- 32N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the average time was for an applicant to complete the recruitment process for the Reserves in the (a) Army, (b) Royal Navy and (c) RAF in each year since 2015. (7481)
- 33N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a medal for people who served in the armed forces during the Cold War. (7570)
- 34N **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will publish the most recent (a) payment schedule and (b) milestones for the Ajax armoured cavalry programme. (7497)

- 35N **Janet Daby** (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will publish a report on the recent progress his Department has made on implementing the recommendations in the Lammy Review, published on 8 September 2017. (7650)
- 36N **Janet Daby** (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the Report on an unannounced inspection of HMYOI Werrington by HM Chief Inspector of Prisons 31 July to 11 August 2023, published on 21 November 2023, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the report's findings on (a) the proportion of children surveyed who reported feeling unsafe and (b) the effect of the number of keep apart instructions. (7651)
- 37N **Janet Daby** (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the Report on an unannounced inspection of HMYOI Werrington by HM Chief Inspector of Prisons 31 July to 11 August 2023, published on 21 November 2023, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of that Report's finding that there were long delays in referring allegations of abuse to the local authority designated officer. (7652)
- 38N **Janet Daby** (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the Report on an unannounced inspection of HMYOI Cookham Wood, 4–20 April 2023, published on 18 July 2023 what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of that Report's findings that (a) staff did not have confidence in their leadership team and (b) their morale was very low. (7653)
- 39N **Janet Daby** (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the Report on an unannounced inspection of HMYOI Cookham Wood, 4–20 April 2023, published on 18 July 2023, what steps he is taking to improve outcomes in (a) education, (b) safety, (c) care, (d) purposeful activity and (e) resettlement at HMYOI Cookham Wood. (7654)
- 40N **Mr David Jones** (Clwyd West): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of the change in the time limit for referring a complaint to the Legal Ombudsman about legal services, which came into effect from 1 April 2023, on consumers. (7524)
- 41N **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will provide immediate additional funding to support people who are unable to pay for (a) energy, (b) food and (c) other essential items. [Transferred] (7451)

Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Justice

- 1 **Dr Luke Evans** (Bosworth): What assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the Parole Board reconsideration mechanism. (900794)
- 2 **Debbie Abrahams** (Oldham East and Saddleworth): What assessment he has made of the potential impact of the time taken to schedule court hearings for historical cases of child sexual exploitation on survivors and their families. (900795)

- 3 **Julie Marson** (Hertford and Stortford): What steps his Department is taking to support victims of crime. (900796)
- 4 **Dr James Davies** (Vale of Clwyd): What steps his Department is taking to support victims of crime. (900797)
- 5 **Andy Slaughter** (Hammersmith): What recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of the prison estate for the rehabilitation of prisoners. (900798)
- 6 **Jack Brereton** (Stoke-on-Trent South): What steps he is taking to increase early access to legal advice. (900799)
- 7 **Gordon Henderson** (Sittingbourne and Sheppey): What steps his Department is taking to ensure that prison staff receive adequate mental health support. (900800)
- 8 **Stuart C McDonald** (Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East): What recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of human rights legislation. (900801)
- 9 **Elliot Colburn** (Carshalton and Wallington): What steps his Department is taking to support victims of crime. (900802)
- 10 **Steven Bonnar** (Coatbridge, Chryston and Bellshill): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice what assessment he has made of the adequacy of existing human rights legislation. (900803)
- 11 **Sir Desmond Swayne** (New Forest West): If he will make a comparative assessment of the effectiveness of short custodial sentences and sentences served in the community. (900804)
- 12 **John Stevenson** (Carlisle): What steps he is taking to improve the effectiveness of the Probate Registry. (900805)
- 13 **Eddie Hughes** (Walsall North): What steps he is taking to reduce the backlog of cases in the crown court. (900806)
- 14 **Stephen Hammond** (Wimbledon): What steps he is taking to reduce reoffending. (900807)
- 15 **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): What steps his Department is taking to help ensure the safety of victims after violent offenders are released. (900808)
- 16 **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Fleetwood): What assessment he has made of the sustainability of probation officer caseloads. (900809)
- 17 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): Whether he is taking steps to help improve the safeguarding of prisoners with mental health needs. (900810)
- 18 **Kevin Foster** (Torbay): What steps his Department is taking to tackle violence against women and girls through the criminal justice system. (900811)
- 19 **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): What steps he is taking to tackle court and tribunal backlogs. (900812)

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- 20 **Hannah Bardell** (Livingston): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice what assessment he has made of the adequacy of existing human rights legislation. (900813)
- 21 **Giles Watling** (Clacton): What steps he is taking to reduce the backlog of cases in the Crown Court. (900814)
- 22 **Alun Cairns** (Vale of Glamorgan): What steps he is taking to reduce waiting times for special educational needs and disability tribunal hearings. (900815)
- 23 **Julian Sturdy** (York Outer): What steps he is taking to reduce the backlog of court cases. (900816)
- 24 **Martin Docherty-Hughes** (West Dunbartonshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice what assessment he has made of the adequacy of existing human rights legislation. (900817)
- 25 **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): What steps his Department is taking to uphold the rights of rape victims in the criminal justice system. (900818)
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Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Justice

- T1 **Mike Kane** (Wythenshawe and Sale East): If he will make a statement on his departmental responsibilities. (900819)
- T2 **Alun Cairns** (Vale of Glamorgan): (900820)
- T3 **Dr James Davies** (Vale of Clwyd): (900821)
- T4 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): (900822)
- T5 **Stephen Hammond** (Wimbledon): (900823)
- T6 **Chris Law** (Dundee West): (900824)
- T7 **Debbie Abrahams** (Oldham East and Saddleworth): (900825)
- T8 **Kate Kniveton** (Burton): (900826)
- T9 **Dr Luke Evans** (Bosworth): (900827)
- T10 **Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck** (South Shields): (900828)
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Questions for Answer on Wednesday 10 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answers of 14 and 18 December 2023 to Questions 6067, 6068 and 6383 on Tractors: Batteries, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of maintaining rules of origin import taxes on battery electric truck tractors from the EU on the UK's transition to electric vehicles. (7471)
- 2N **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to bring forward legislative proposals to tackle puppy smuggling. (7706)
- 3N **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to reduce waiting times for the (a) diagnosis and (b) treatment of cancer in young people. (7704)
- 4N **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to increase the number of young people that are referred for cancer (a) tests and (b) treatment within target referral periods. (7705)
- 5N **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate her Department has made of the number of Tessa Jowell Brain Cancer Mission customised workshops for researchers that have taken place as of 19 December 2023. (7707)
- 6N **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate she has made on the proportion of funding for clinical brain tumour research spent in each region of the UK in the latest period for which data is available. (7708)
- 7N **Stephen Kinnock** (Aberavon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether his Department has had discussions with commercial airlines on the potential provision of flights between the UK and Rwanda for the purposes of relocating asylum seekers in line with (a) the Migration and Economic Development Partnership and (b) the UK-Rwanda treaty on provision of an asylum partnership. (7579)
- 8N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many serious further offences were committed in each year between 2020 and 2023; and how many and what proportion of the perpetrators of those offences were (i) under community supervision, (ii) on a determinate prison sentence, (iii) on a life sentence and (iv) imprisoned for public protection. (7581)
- 9N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, in which prisons random mandatory drug tests were carried out in 2023. (7582)

- 10N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many drug-related deaths have occurred in prisons each year since 2019. (7584)
- 11N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what estimate he has made of the volume of illegal drugs found in prisons between (a) 2014 and 2018 and (b) 2019 and 2023. (7585)
- 12N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what is the target number of random mandatory drug tests to be carried out in prisons each month. (7586)

Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology

- 1 **Julie Marson** (Hertford and Stortford): What recent discussions she has had with Cabinet colleagues on trends in the level of private investment in research and development in the last 12 months. (900779)
- 2 **James Wild** (North West Norfolk): What steps her Department is taking to help ensure that vulnerable customers are supported when their phone lines are transitioned to the digital network. (900780)
- 3 **Eddie Hughes** (Walsall North): What steps her Department is taking to improve rural connectivity. (900781)
- 4 **Mark Menzies** (Fylde): What steps her Department is taking to improve rural connectivity. (900782)
- 5 **Sir Edward Leigh** (Gainsborough): What steps her Department is taking to support innovation in the technology sector. (900783)
- 6 **Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck** (South Shields): What steps she is taking to increase access to AI skills training. (900784)
- 7 **Richard Foord** (Tiverton and Honiton): Whether she is taking steps with Cabinet colleagues to help retain researchers from overseas who are working in the UK. (900785)
- 8 **Marco Longhi** (Dudley North): What steps her Department is taking to protect consumer data. (900786)
- 9 **Giles Watling** (Clacton): Whether she is taking steps to support the growth of the human-specific technology sector. (900787)
- 10 **David Duguid** (Banff and Buchan): What steps her Department is taking to improve rural connectivity. (900788)
- 11 **Chris Law** (Dundee West): What assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of AI on democracy. (900789)
- 12 **Mary Glendon** (North Tyneside): What steps she is taking with Cabinet colleagues to support the cancer research sector. (900790)

- 13 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): What steps she is taking with Cabinet colleagues to encourage people from overseas to work in the UK research sector. (900791)
- 14 **Layla Moran** (Oxford West and Abingdon): What steps she is taking with Cabinet colleagues to encourage overseas researchers and innovators to come to the UK. (900792)
- 15 **Dr James Davies** (Vale of Clwyd): What recent discussions she has had with Cabinet colleagues on trends in the level of private investment in research and development in the last 12 months. (900793)

Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology

- T1 **Peter Dowd** (Bootle): If she will make a statement on her departmental responsibilities. (900844)
- T2 **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): (900845)
- T3 **Stephen Hammond** (Wimbledon): (900846)
- T4 **Marco Longhi** (Dudley North): (900847)
- T5 **David Duguid** (Banff and Buchan): (900848)
- T6 **Dawn Butler** (Brent Central): (900849)
- T7 **Steven Bonnar** (Coatbridge, Chryston and Bellshill): (900850)
- T8 **John Spellar** (Warley): (900851)

Oral Questions to the Prime Minister

- 1 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): If he will list his official engagements for Wednesday 10 January. (900829)
- 2 **Alex Norris** (Nottingham North): (900830)
- 3 **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): (900831)
- 4 **Alistair Strathern** (Mid Bedfordshire): (900832)
- 5 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): (900833)
- 6 **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): (900834)
- 7 **Mrs Paulette Hamilton** (Birmingham, Erdington): (900835)
- 8 **Chris Clarkson** (Heywood and Middleton): (900836)
- 9 **Caroline Ansell** (Eastbourne): (900837)

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| 10 | James Grundy (Leigh): | (900838) |
| 11 | Hannah Bardell (Livingston): | (900839) |
| 12 | Daniel Kawczynski (Shrewsbury and Atcham): | (900840) |
| 13 | Stuart C McDonald (Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East): | (900841) |
| 14 | Steve Tuckwell (Uxbridge and South Ruislip): | (900842) |
| 15 | Marion Fellows (Motherwell and Wishaw): If he will launch a consultation on the potential merits of introducing social energy tariffs for disabled people and low-income households. | (900843) |
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Questions for Answer on Thursday 11 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Stephen Doughty** (Cardiff South and Penarth): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what processes his Department has in place for Ministerial oversight of (a) licenses and (b) other exemptions to the sanctions regime. (7575)
- 2N **Stephen Doughty** (Cardiff South and Penarth): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent discussions he has had with his European counterparts on (a) diplomatic, (b) humanitarian and (c) military steps to support Ukraine. (7576)
- 3N **Stephen Doughty** (Cardiff South and Penarth): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps he is taking to help improve (a) internet and (b) communications connectivity in the Overseas Territories. (7577)
- 4N **Stephen Doughty** (Cardiff South and Penarth): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps he is taking to support the Special Envoy to the Western Balkans. (7578)
- 5N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Streatham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of increased spending on military projects on the levels of carbon emissions associated with military activity. (7674)
- 6N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Streatham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what discussions he has had with his (a) NATO (b) other international counterparts on reducing carbon emissions from military activities. (7675)
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Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport

- 1 **Christine Jardine** (Edinburgh West): What assessment she has made of the potential merits of requiring venues to introduce a surcharge on large event tickets to support grassroots music venues. (900887)
- 2 **Stephen Metcalfe** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): Whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of tax relief on the growth of the creative industries. (900888)
- 3 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): What steps she is taking to help increase community access to playing fields. (900889)
- 4 **Liz Twist** (Blaydon): What steps her Department is taking to support local journalism. (900890)
- 5 **Kevin Foster** (Torbay): What recent discussions she has had with Cabinet colleagues on developing new sports facilities in Devon and Cornwall. (900891)
- 6 **Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck** (South Shields): What steps her Department is taking to tackle loneliness. (900892)
- 7 **Sara Britcliffe** (Hyndburn): What steps her Department is taking to help increase the financial sustainability of English football. (900893)
- 8 **Steve Tuckwell** (Uxbridge and South Ruislip): What steps her Department is taking to support local communities and special interest groups in protecting heritage assets. (900894)
- 9 **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): What steps she is taking to support UK musicians seeking to tour in Europe. (900895)
- 10 **Michael Fabricant** (Lichfield): What steps her Department is taking to support the growth of the film and television industry. (900896)
- 11 **Rob Butler** (Aylesbury): Whether she has had recent discussions with the BBC Board on the impartiality of the BBC's current affairs coverage. (900897)
- 12 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): What progress she has made on increasing women and girls' access to sport. (900898)
- 13 **Damian Green** (Ashford): If she will take steps to require arenas, stadiums and major festivals to charge a ticket levy to help fund grassroots live music. (900899)
- 14 **Andrew Jones** (Harrogate and Knaresborough): What progress she has made on increasing women and girls' access to sport. (900900)
- 15 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): What assessment she has made of the implications for her policies of challenges within the video games industry. (900901)
- 16 **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): Whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of bringing forward legislative proposals to prevent the unauthorised use of creative content by AI. (900902)

- 17 **Elliot Colburn** (Carshalton and Wallington): What steps her Department is taking to support local football clubs. (900903)
- 18 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): What discussions she has had with Cabinet colleagues on the impact of local authority spending on youth services. (900904)
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Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport

- T1 **Peter Aldous** (Waveney): If she will make a statement on her departmental responsibilities. (900905)
- T2 **Alison Thewliss** (Glasgow Central): (900906)
- T3 **John Spellar** (Warley): (900907)
- T4 **Mr Laurence Robertson** (Tewkesbury): (900908)
- T5 **Steve Tuckwell** (Uxbridge and South Ruislip): (900909)
- T6 **Patricia Gibson** (North Ayrshire and Arran): (900910)
- T7 **Christine Jardine** (Edinburgh West): (900911)
- T8 **Sarah Dyke** (Somerton and Frome): (900912)
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Oral Questions to the hon. Member for Broxbourne, representing the House of Commons Commission and the hon. Member for Broxbourne, representing the Restoration and Renewal Client Board and the hon. Member for Lancaster and Fleetwood, representing the Speaker's Committee on the Electoral Commission and the Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners

- 1 **Michael Fabricant** (Lichfield): To ask the hon. Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, whether the Commissioners are taking steps to support choral music in cathedrals. (900767)
- 2 **Kevin Foster** (Torbay): To ask the hon. Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, what steps the Church is taking to support work by local authorities and the Government on reducing rough sleeping. (900768)
- 3 **Patricia Gibson** (North Ayrshire and Arran): To ask the hon. Member for Lancaster and Fleetwood, representing the Speaker's Committee on the Electoral Commission, whether the Committee has had recent discussions with the Electoral Commission on the adequacy of the transparency of election finance from overseas. (900769)

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- 4 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the hon. Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, whether the Commissioners are taking steps to improve the use of multi-media platforms to communicate the Church's mission and ministry. (900770)
 - 5 **Christine Jardine** (Edinburgh West): To ask the hon. Member for Lancaster and Fleetwood, representing the Speaker's Committee on the Electoral Commission, what recent discussions the Committee has had with the Electoral Commission on tackling online misinformation ahead of the next general election. (900771)
 - 6 **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the hon. Member for Broxbourne, representing the House of Commons Commission, if the Commission will take steps to increase purchases of Australian wine for sale in the House of Commons. (900772)
 - 7 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the hon. Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, whether the Commissioners have issued recent guidance to church parishes on securing their buildings against theft. (900773)
 - 8 **Fiona Bruce** (Congleton): To ask the hon. Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, what steps the Church is taking to support Christians in Cuba. (900774)
 - 9 **Mr Alistair Carmichael** (Orkney and Shetland): To ask the hon. Member for Lancaster and Fleetwood, representing the Speaker's Committee on the Electoral Commission, whether the Committee has had recent discussions with the Electoral Commission on the potential impact of increased electoral party spending limits on the democratic process. (900775)
 - 10 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the hon. Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, what recent assessment the Church has made of the viability of a Christian presence in Jerusalem. (900776)
 - 11 **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the hon. Member for Broxbourne, representing the Restoration and Renewal Client Board, what steps the Board is taking to mitigate the impact of restoration and renewal works on members, staff and the workings of the parliamentary estate. (900777)
 - 12 **Sir Desmond Swayne** (New Forest West): To ask the hon. Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, what support the Church is providing to the Anglican Hospital in Gaza. (900778)
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Questions for Answer on Monday 15 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Dame Maria Miller** (Basingstoke): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to the oral contribution of 13 December 2023 of the Minister of State, Department of Levelling Up, Housing and Communities on Consideration of the Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill, Official Report column 957, how the revised National Planning Policy Framework takes into account areas that have over-delivered and taken significant housing when calculating future housing figures. (7517)
- 2N **Dame Maria Miller** (Basingstoke): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to paragraph 61 of the National Planning Policy Framework, published on 19 December 2023, how his Department defines exceptional circumstance in relation to housebuilding numbers. (7518)
- 3N **Dame Maria Miller** (Basingstoke): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to paragraph 61 of the National Planning Policy Framework, published on 19 December 2023, whether high historic housebuilding numbers might be considered to be an exceptional circumstance. (7519)
- 4N **Dame Maria Miller** (Basingstoke): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to paragraph 61 of the National Planning Policy Framework, published on 19 December 2023, whether the definition of exceptional circumstance has been influenced by case law. (7521)