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Questions for Answer on Tuesday 9 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Martin Docherty-Hughes** (West Dunbartonshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he has made a recent assessment of the adequacy of the pensions of Capita Fire and Rescue workers; and what discussions he has had with (a) the Cabinet Office, (b) Capita Fire and Rescue, (c) MyCSP and (d) Unite the Union on that subject. [Transferred] (7931)
- 2 **Martin Docherty-Hughes** (West Dunbartonshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of establishing an independent auditor to assess adequacy of the Capita fire and rescue workers pension system. [Transferred] (7932)
- 3 **Rachel Maclean** (Redditch): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the ONS release *Rising ill-health and economic inactivity because of long-term sickness, UK: 2019 to 2023*, dated 26 July 2023, what the definition is of bad nerves. [Transferred] (8116)
- 4 **Rachel Maclean** (Redditch): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the ONS release *Rising ill-health and economic inactivity because of long-term sickness, UK: 2019 to 2023*, dated 26 July 2023, when the self-reported conditions of (a) bad nerves and (b) anxiety were added to the Labour Force Survey. [Transferred] (8121)

- 5 **Rachel Maclean** (Redditch): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the ONS release Rising ill-health and economic inactivity because of long-term sickness, UK: 2019 to 2023, dated 26 July 2023, what steps the ONS takes taken to help participants in the Labour Force Survey distinguish between (a) normal and (b) medical levels of (i) bad nerves and (ii) anxiety. [Transferred] (8122)
- 6 **Rachel Maclean** (Redditch): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the ONS release Rising ill-health and economic inactivity because of long-term sickness, UK: 2019 to 2023, dated 26 July 2023, how his Department works with the Department for Work and Pensions to define (a) depression, (b) bad nerves and (c) anxiety. [Transferred] (8130)
- 7 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps her Department is taking to reduce the impact of firework usage on (a) individuals, (b) animals and (c) property. [Transferred] (8097)
- 8 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if her Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing firework control zones to help protect vulnerable (a) people and (b) animals. [Transferred] (8100)
- 9 **Claudia Webbe** (Leicester East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many arms licences have been issued to Israel in the last five years; and what those licences were for. [Transferred] (8248)
- 10 **Claudia Webbe** (Leicester East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will publish a breakdown of the type of military equipment which has been licensed for export to Israel in last five years. [Transferred] (8249)
- 11 **Claudia Webbe** (Leicester East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will make it her policy to (a) monitor and (b) report on the impact of UK-supplied arms on civilians in the Israel-Hamas conflict. [Transferred] (8250)
- 12 **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she has plans to increase the amount of statutory paid leave parents who lose a child under the age of 18 are entitled to. [Transferred] (8260)
- 13 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she has plans for a national celebration of the twentieth anniversary of the wedding of King Charles III and Queen Camilla. [Transferred] (7813)
- 14 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he has taken with local authorities to tackle fly-tipping (a) nationally and (b) in Romford constituency. [Transferred] (7819)
- 15 **Andrew Bridgen** (North West Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an assessment of the effectiveness of the National Planning Policy Framework for providing sufficient land for (a) warehouses and (b) other logistical infrastructure. [Transferred] (7920)

- 16 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps his Department is taking to help support the warehouse sector in Solihull constituency. [Transferred] (8004)
- 17 **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, how many and what proportion of the new telecom masts being built through the Shared Rural Network programme are planned to be used by more than one mobile network operator. [Transferred] (8038)
- 18 **Selaine Saxby** (North Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the recommendation that the Government should consider the introduction of escalating penalties for repeat traffic offences made in the Road Justice report published by the All-Party Parliamentary Group for Cycling and Walking in its Road Justice report in September 2023. [Transferred] (8255)
- 19 **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help reduce sugar consumption in the UK. [Transferred] (8239)
- 20 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to her Department's publication entitled Gambling-related harms evidence review: quantitative analysis, updated on 11 January 2023, what assessment she has made of the accuracy of the evidence used in that analysis. [Transferred] (8230)
- 21 **Zarah Sultana** (Coventry South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, with reference to the Answer of 13 July 2020 to Question 68798, whether his Department has recorded any incidents on its tracker database of alleged breaches or violations of international humanitarian law in Gaza in the last six months. [Transferred] (8211)
- 22 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the use of flashing lighting on speed cameras on people with (a) epilepsy and (b) other conditions triggered by flashing lights. [Transferred] (7971)
- 23 **Mr Tobias Ellwood** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the impact of the blockade of the Bosphorus and Dardanelles straits on the delivery of UK Government military aid to Ukraine. [Transferred] (7856)
- 24 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether his Department has taken steps to support victims of intellectual property theft. [Transferred] (7960)
- 25 **John McDonnell** (Hayes and Harlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many prisoners serving sentences of Imprisonment for Public Protection are in category A prisons. [Transferred] (7739)

- 26 **John McDonnell** (Hayes and Harlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many prisoners serving sentences of Imprisonment for Public Protection in category A prisons are categorized as C category prisoners. [Transferred] (7740)
- 27 **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Streatham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment he has made of the implications for her policies of Barnardo's report entitled Double discrimination: Black care-experienced young adults navigating the criminal justice system, published on 21 September 2023. [Transferred] (8189)
- 28 **Mr Tobias Ellwood** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if his Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of tax relief on the growth of the creative industries. [Transferred] (7844)
- 29 **Tulip Siddiq** (Hampstead and Kilburn): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate his Department has made of the number of people affected by the IT issue which led to valid VAT registration numbers not being visible on the VAT Checker service. [Transferred] (8056)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 10 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Attorney General, what steps she is taking to increase prosecution rates for (a) theft, (b) criminal damage and arson and (c) public order offences. (8567)
- 2 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Attorney General, what assessment she has made of the impact of the unduly lenient sentencing scheme on levels of paedophile crime. (8427)
- 3 **Deidre Brock** (Edinburgh North and Leith): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many staff were employed at Queen Elizabeth House in each UK Government department or arms-length body (a) full time, (b) part time, (c) on a consultancy basis and (d) as civil servants as of 8 January 2023. (8470)
- 4 **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to page 4 of the Veterans' Strategy Action Plan: 2022-2024, published in January 2022, how many veterans have joined the teaching profession since the publication of that plan. (8296)
- 5 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to page 41 of his Department's annual report and accounts for 2022/23, HC1464, published on 19 September 2023, what the distance travelled on domestic flights was that resulted in the emission totals of (a) 434 tCO₂e in 2021/22, and (b) 363 tCO₂e in 2022/23. (8384)

- 6 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the employment tribunal claim listed on page 126 of his Department's annual report and accounts for 2022/23, HC 1464, whether that claim has been heard; and what the status is of the contingent liability arising from that claim. (8389)
- 7 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she has made a recent assessment of the potential merits of bringing The Post Office under public ownership. (8520)
- 8 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she has plans to strengthen the accountability of Post Office senior managers through the Government's shareholder role. (8521)
- 9 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent assessment she has made of the adequacy of procurement processes used at The Post Office. (8522)
- 10 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will have discussions with Royal Mail on compensating people who have experienced delays receiving mail. (8596)
- 11 **John Redwood** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent discussions she has had with the Board of the Post Office Ltd on how funds wrongly claimed back from sub postmasters using Horizon software were used. (8283)
- 12 **John Redwood** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent discussions she has had with the Board of the Post Office Ltd on the urgent return of funds wrongly claimed from sub postmasters. (8284)
- 13 **John Redwood** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent discussions she has had with the Board of the Post Office Ltd on the level of provision for (a) repayments and (b) compensation related to Horizon. (8285)
- 14 **John Redwood** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make an assessment of the implications for his policies on fining UK car manufacturers who sell too many petrol and diesel cars of levels of demand for battery vehicles. (8286)
- 15 **John Redwood** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what (a) market surveys and (b) other research her Department conducted before setting mandatory percentages for future electric vehicle sales. (8287)
- 16 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to page 57 of the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy's annual report and accounts for 2022/23, HC 1796, published on 19 October 2023, what the distance travelled on domestic flights was that resulted in the emission totals of (a) 128 tCO₂e in 2021/22, and (b) 395 tCO₂e in 2022/23. (8386)

- 17 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 7 December 2023 to Question 4980 on Cabinet Office: Ground Transport, which Ministers have used vehicles provided under the terms of the Cabinet Office contract originally agreed with Ground Transport Ltd on 13 November 2020, reference CCYZ20A06, since that contract was novated to her Department on 16 October 2022. (8392)
- 18 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 7 December 2023 to Question 4980 on Cabinet Office: Ground Transport, what the maximum value was of the agreement to extend until June 2024 the Cabinet Office contract originally agreed with Ground Transport Ltd on 13 November 2020 (reference CCYZ20A06), and novated to her Department on 16 October 2022, and which minister will use the vehicle provided under that contract in the period up to June 2024. (8393)
- 19 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if he will provide an update on the steps taken by his Department to implement the recommendations of the Cairncross Review. (8579)
- 20 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she has had recent discussions with Reach plc on its third round of proposed redundancies. (8580)
- 21 **Martyn Day** (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what recent discussions she has had with terrestrial TV broadcasters on free to view broadcasting of international football matches involving each of the home nations. (8537)
- 22 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, how much the Arts Council has spent in Lincolnshire in each year since 2019. (8300)
- 23 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will take steps to ring-fence future public funding for the (a) art, (b) culture and (c) heritage sectors. (8482)
- 24 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to provide financial support for (a) art, (b) music, (c) heritage, (d) sport and (e) other local cultural offerings. (8501)
- 25 **Jo Gideon** (Stoke-on-Trent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent discussions her Department has had with the SEND in the Specialists coalition on the specialist workforce for children and young people with SEND; and what the outcome was of those discussions. (8602)
- 26 **Kim Leadbeater** (Batley and Spen): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will have discussions with the Student Loan Company on the cancellation of student debt when a provider's course is deemed insufficient to meet the requirements to issue a qualification. (8628)

- 27 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make it her policy to instruct schools to provide children with at least two hours of physical activity per week. (8483)
- 28 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will request Ofsted to undertake an investigation into (a) the adequacy of (i) disciplinary and (ii) other policies at South Bank Multi Academy Trust and (b) the potential impact of those policies on school attendance rates. (8503)
- 29 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the adequacy of local authority powers to intervene in multi-academy trusts. (8505)
- 30 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made an assessment of the potential impact of school behaviour policies on the mental health of students who (a) have mental health needs and (b) are neurodivergent. (8506)
- 31 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made an assessment of the potential impact of school behaviour policies on levels of school refusal among children. (8507)
- 32 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will take steps to ensure that an outbreak of legionella in a school is followed by an assessment of the adequacy of the steps taken (a) before and (b) after the outbreak. (8508)
- 33 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will take steps to delay the implementation of the Government's proposed measures to restrict the ability for international students to bring family members on student visas. (8509)
- 34 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make funding available to help (a) Tang Hall Community School and (b) All Saints Roman Catholic School commence building upgrades. (8510)
- 35 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made a recent assessment of the potential impact of children not attending school on safeguarding. (8533)
- 36 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made a recent assessment of the effectiveness of schemes developed by schools and local authorities to help children who are not in education return to educational settings. (8534)
- 37 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of the diversity of the content of the national curriculum on levels of engagement with education. (8535)

- 38 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will review the discipline guidance for schools to include the creation of more therapeutic educational environments. (8536)
- 39N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how much the oil and gas industry's annual expenditure on decommissioning was in each financial year between 2013-14 and 2022-23. [Transferred] (7912)
- 40 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of National Grid capacity issues on Stockport constituency. (8599)
- 41 **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to NHS figures showing a recent increase in hospital admissions for cases of (a) malnutrition and (b) nutritional deficiencies, published in The Guardian on 21 December 2023, what steps his Department is taking to improve access to (i) affordable and (ii) nutritious food. (8610)
- 42 **Dr Thérèse Coffey** (Suffolk Coastal): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many trees have been planted in England in (a) 2020, (b) 2021, (c) 2022 and (d) 2023 using tax payer money. (8421)
- 43 **Mr Tobias Ellwood** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help rural communities prepare for the impact of adverse weather. (8361)
- 44 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many environmental permits were issued by the Environment Agency for the purposes of carrying out work (a) in and (b) by (i) a main river, (ii) flood defence structures, (iii) sea defence and (iv) flood plains in each year since 2015. (8455)
- 45 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs, how many licences for impounding water were issued by the Environment Agency in 2023. (8467)
- 46 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs, how many boats were registered to use the River Thames in 2023. (8468)
- 47 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has plans to compensate businesses that have experienced significant disruption to trading as a result of flooding. (8526)
- 48 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has plans to accelerate (a) upper catchment management and (b) water holding schemes. (8527)

- 49 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department takes to assess future flood risks. (8528)
- 50 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to ensure that accurate information on flood risks linked to adverse weather events is communicated to affected communities. (8529)
- 51 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of including leasehold properties in the Flood:RE insurance scheme. (8530)
- 52 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has had recent discussions with the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities on the potential impact of development in flood plains on the number of properties at risk of flooding. (8531)
- 53 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will have discussions with the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities on the potential merits of (a) providing the Environment Agency (EA) a statutory role in the planning process and (b) placing reports from the EA on a statutory footing. (8532)
- 54 **Mr Ranil Jayawardena** (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department (a) has made an assessment of and (b) holds data produced by commissioned research on the potential impact of changes proposed by the Renters (Reform) Bill on the number of private residential landlords. (8539)
- 55 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department is taking steps to help local authorities increase the number of (a) affordable and (b) social housing. (8480)
- 56 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what recent assessment he has made of the potential merits of increasing the level above which local authorities can raise the social care precept before triggering a local referendum. (8494)
- 57 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to the oral statement by the Minister for Housing, Planning and Building Safety of 19 December 2023 on Long-term Plan for Housing, what recent progress has been made on York's local plan. (8516)
- 58 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will take steps to reform the National Planning Policy Framework to help ensure that land is not being banked. (8517)

- 59 **Sir Mike Penning** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will take steps to amend the Council Tax (Additional Provisions for Discount Disregards) Regulations 1992 so that (a) refugees and (b) asylum seekers being voluntarily housed by a person living alone are disregarded for the Council Tax single person discount. (8376)
- 60 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of traditional short-term lets on the local economies of (a) rural and (b) coastal communities. (8428)
- 61 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to page 39 of his Department's annual report and accounts for 2022/23, HC 1478, published on 20 July 2023, what the distance travelled on domestic flights was that resulted in the emission totals of (a) 7 tCO₂e in 2021/22, and (b) 14 tCO₂e in 2022/23. (8385)
- 62 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, pursuant to the Answer of 7 December 2023 to Question 4980, which ministers used the vehicle provided under the terms of the Cabinet Office contract originally agreed with Ground Transport Ltd on 13 November 2020 (reference CCYZ20A06), novated to his Department from 14 January 2021 to 16 October 2022. (8391)
- 63N **Kevin Brennan** (Cardiff West): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether she has made an assessment of the impact of private copy levy schemes on the creative sector in the European Union. [Transferred] (7794)
- 64 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, how much funding her Department has allocated to research and innovation relating to human relevant science since her Department was established. (8497)
- 65 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if she will take steps to support human relevant science. (8498)
- 66 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps she is taking with international partners to (a) reduce and (b) end experiments on animals in scientific research. (8499)
- 67 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of withdrawing Sections 19 and 22 exemptions for schools. (8582)
- 68 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many and what proportion of direct trains from Peterborough to London Kings Cross have been cancelled in the last six months. (8299)

- 69 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many V62 application forms were received by the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Authority in 2023; and what the average waiting time was for approving those applications. (8459)
- 70 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many D1 application forms were received by the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Authority in 2023; and what the average waiting time was for approving those applications. (8460)
- 71 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many D2 application forms were received by the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Authority in 2023; and what the average waiting time was for approving those applications. (8461)
- 72 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many D777B application forms were received by the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Authority in 2023; and what the average waiting time was for approving those applications. (8462)
- 73 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many V317 application forms were received by the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Authority in 2023; and what the average waiting time was for approving those applications. (8463)
- 74 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many V5C application forms were received by the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Authority in 2023; and what the average waiting time was for approving those applications. (8464)
- 75 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many V890 application forms were received by the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Authority in 2023; and what the average waiting time was for approving those applications. (8465)
- 76 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of advanced partnership arrangements for co-ordinating local bus services; what best practice he has identified; and if he will issue guidance to local partnerships on minimum standards. (8496)
- 77 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will set a deadline for publication of the Government response to the consultation on Pavement parking: options for change. (8570)
- 78 **Daniel Zeichner** (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to encourage more women to cycle. (8443)
- 79 **Daniel Zeichner** (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to support people not eligible for a Cycle to Work Scheme to take up cycling. (8444)

- 80 **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the average processing time was for transferring a claim for the Personal Independence Payment to the Adult Disability Payment under Social Security Scotland in each month in 2023. (8577)
- 81 **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the longest time taken to transfer a claim for a Personal Independence Payment to a claim under Social Security Scotland for an Adult Disability Payment was in each month in 2023. (8578)
- 82 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many licences the Health and Safety Executive has issued for the purposes of manufacturing and storing explosives in each year since 2015. (8454)
- 83 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many complaints about his Department were submitted to the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman in 2023; and how many and what proportion of those complaints were upheld. (8458)
- 84 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will take steps to ensure that claimants with (a) fluctuating and (b) progressive neurological conditions are able to request to have their entitlements to benefits reviewed throughout their condition. (8475)
- 85 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether his Department is taking steps to advise claimants on the financial risks associated with unauthorised money lenders. (8484)
- 86 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made on the potential impact of changes announced in the Autumn Statement of eligibility for allowances on recipients' ability to pay private sector rents. (8488)
- 87 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps he is taking to help ensure that people whose allowances have been altered by measures announced in the Autumn Statement receive adequate financial support. (8489)
- 88 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of working from home on mental health. (8490)
- 89 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether he plans to monitor whether disabled people who return to work remain in employment. (8492)
- 90 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether his Department is taking steps to put employment protections in place for immunocompromised people shielding from covid-19. (8504)

- 91 **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the change in the role of Minister for Disabled People from Minister of State to Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State on his Department's support for disabled people. (8634)
- 92 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if his Department will take steps to ensure that civil servants who retired since 1 April 2022 are able to receive the £1500 cost of living award. (8595)
- 93 **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions she has had with the British Medical Association about the potential impact of the Anaesthesia Associates and Physician Associates Order 2024 on patient safety. (8609)
- 94 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much her Department has provided for the HIV Innovation Fund in each year since 2015. (8549)
- 95 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much her Department plans to allocate to the Reproductive Health, Sexual Health and HIV Innovation Fund in the 2024-25 financial year. (8550)
- 96 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much her Department has allocated to the Reproductive Health, Sexual Health and HIV Innovation Fund in the 2023-24 financial year. (8551)
- 97 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the findings were of the independent review of the impact of the Sexual Health, Reproductive Health and HIV Innovation Fund. (8552)
- 98 **Florence Eshalomi** (Vauxhall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what information her Department holds on the number of (a) men who have sex with men, (b) women, (c) Black men and (d) Black women that were accessing PrEP in England in (i) 2021, (ii) 2022 and (iii) 2023. (8624)
- 99 **Florence Eshalomi** (Vauxhall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much funding her Department provided for educational programmes to inform people at high risk of acquiring HIV about PrEP in (a) 2021, (b) 2022 and (c) 2023. (8625)
- 100 **Florence Eshalomi** (Vauxhall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much her Department spent on PrEP in (a) 2021, (b) 2022 and (c) 2023. (8626)
- 101 **Florence Eshalomi** (Vauxhall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent estimate she has made of when the HIV action plan implementation steering group will publish its PrEP roadmap. (8627)

- 102 **Peter Gibson** (Darlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of people diagnosed with dementia in (a) Darlington constituency and (b) the rest of England are in receipt of continuing healthcare as of 8 January 2023. (8573)
- 103 **Peter Gibson** (Darlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department plans to take to increase awareness of continuing healthcare funding. (8574)
- 104 **Peter Gibson** (Darlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of applications for NHS continuing healthcare funding in (a) Darlington constituency and (b) the rest of England were approved following an appeal. (8575)
- 105 **Jo Gideon** (Stoke-on-Trent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if her Department will hold discussions with the (a) Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health, (b) Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists, (c) Royal College of Occupational Therapists and (d) British Association for Community Child Health on waiting times for community services. (8603)
- 106 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the impact of the return to practice programme on the number of registered nurses. (8546)
- 107 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has had discussions with NHS England on including arthritis in NHS health screening programmes. (8298)
- 108 **Mr Ranil Jayawardena** (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of high-profile use of snus on young people's health. (8538)
- 109 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many licences were issued by the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority for the purpose of the (a) procurement, (b) testing, (c) processing, (d) preservation, (e) storage and (f) distribution of (i) gametes, (ii) embryos, (iii) vitro fertilisation and (iv) artificial insemination treatments in 2023. (8466)
- 110 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if her Department will take steps to increase central funding for clinical radiology trainee posts. (8473)
- 111 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what progress her Department has made on establishing imaging networks across the NHS. (8474)
- 112 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will take steps to ensure that all patients with a neurological condition receive support to help (a) manage their condition and (b) prevent their condition from progressing. (8476)

- 113 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether her Department is taking steps to increase awareness of the potential impact of oral hygiene on levels of prevalence of (a) sepsis and (b) blood borne bacterial infections that can originate from the mouth. (8477)
- 114N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will take steps to make people aged between 65 and 70 eligible for the shingles vaccination. (8485)
- 115N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she plans to take to help ensure community pharmacists receive comprehensive clinical supervision to ensure patient safety. (8486)
- 116 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has made a recent assessment of the potential merits of reconstituting her Department's Medicines Supply Team. (8487)
- 117 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to improve (a) access to and (b) the standard of palliative care; and what assessment she has made of the effectiveness of provisions in the Health and Care Act 2022 relating to the provision of palliative care. (8502)
- 118 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions she has had with pharmacists' representatives on the potential impact of community pharmacies delivering the NHS Pharmacy First Service on their (a) finances and (b) workforce. (8511)
- 119 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to ensure that the human rights of people detained under the Mental Health Act are upheld. (8512)
- 120 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will bring forward legislative proposals to increase protections for liberties under the Mental Health Act 1983. (8513)
- 121 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of sepsis cases have been identified in (a) children and (b) adults with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukaemia in the last 12 months. (8514)
- 122 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether her Department has provided funding for research into laser treatments for the prevention of (a) sepsis and (b) bacterial infections for people with wounds. (8515)
- 123 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to help improve (a) recruitment and (b) retention of dentists. (8553)

- 124 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of incentives for dentists to work in areas with the most urgent needs. (8554)
- 125 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment she has made of the adequacy of the number of dentists taking on new patients compared to patient demand. (8555)
- 126 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent estimate she has made of the number of children admitted to hospital because of dental related emergencies in the last year. (8556)
- 127 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many dentists have been recruited since the launch of the NHS Long Term Workforce Plan. (8557)
- 128 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when she plans to publish the Dentistry Recovery Plan. (8558)
- 129 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has made a recent estimate of the average waiting time for a dentist appointment for residents of Portsmouth. (8559)
- 130 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has made a recent assessment of the potential relationship between oral cancer detection rates and the availability of dentists. (8560)
- 131 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the NHS Mental Health Implementation Plan 2019/20 – 2023/24, published in July 2019, what progress she has made on achieving 100% coverage of 24/7 age-appropriate crisis care via NHS 111. (8561)
- 132 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to work with local government to deliver a joined-up approach to suicide prevention. (8562)
- 133 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking work with Cabinet colleagues to deliver a joined-up approach to suicide prevention. (8563)
- 134 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what funding she has committed to the National Suicide Prevention strategy. (8564)
- 135 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 11 December 2023 to Question 5026 on Obesity: Surgery, how many people are on a waiting list for gastric band surgery; and how many were on a waiting list in January 2021. (8429)

- 136 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to reduce waiting times for (a) gastric band, (b) gastric bypass, (c) sleeve gastrectomy, (d) duodenal switch and (e) other bariatric surgeries. (8430)
- 137 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many procedures for (a) gastric band, (b) gastric bypass, (c) sleeve gastrectomy, (d) duodenal switch and (e) other bariatric surgeries were carried out in 2023. (8431)
- 138 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many patients have been waiting for (a) gastric band, (b) gastric bypass, (c) sleeve gastrectomy and (d) duodenal switch surgery for over(i) 52 and (ii) 65 weeks. (8432)
- 139 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department plans to take to (a) review progress and (b) publish statements on the implementation of the NHS Long Term Workforce Plan. (8621)
- 140 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will take steps to publish regular data on the number of NHS staff working in each (a) speciality and (b) profession. (8622)
- 141 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of the NHS Long Term Workforce Plan on regional variations in access to Parkinson's care. (8623)
- 142 **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure that patients with eye conditions from historically underserved communities can access new treatments as they become available. (8291)
- 143 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what discussions he has had with (a) his counterpart in Ethiopia, (b) his counterpart in Somalia, (c) authorities in Somaliland, (d) the Intergovernmental Authority on Development, (e) the African Union, (f) other states and (g) other international organisations on the Memorandum of Understanding between Ethiopia and Somaliland of 1 January 2024; and what assessment he has made of the potential impact of that agreement on (i) regional security and (ii) the status of Somaliland. (8399)
- 144 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps he is taking to support (a) peaceful and (b) inclusive dialogue in Democratic Republic of the Congo following the presidential election; and what steps he is taking to engage with his Congolese counterpart on (i) insecurity, (ii) climate objectives and (iii) other issues. (8400)

- 145 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will take steps to build consensus among international partners on halting arms supplies to all parties to the conflict in Sudan in advance of the publication of any report of the Panel of Experts to the UN Sudan Sanctions Committee. (8401)
- 146 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent discussions he has had with the government of Burundi on (a) internal and regional security and (b) human rights for (i) the LGBT+ community and (ii) other minority groups. (8402)
- 147 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent discussions he has had with NATO counterparts on (a) production and (b) procurement of air defence munitions for Ukraine. (8583)
- 148 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, pursuant to the Answer of 11 September 2023 to Question 196343 on Abbas Deris, what recent discussions he has had with his Iranian counterparts on the imprisonment of Abbas Deris. (8584)
- 149 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what discussions he has had with his Bangladeshi counterparts on the imprisonment of Khadijatul Kubra. (8585)
- 150 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has had recent discussions with his Pakistani counterpart on (a) the principle of non-refoulement and (b) its other obligations under international human rights law in the context of the treatment of Afghan refugees. (8547)
- 151 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will make representations to his counterpart in Iran on the imminent execution of Reza Rasayi. (8405)
- 152 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, pursuant to the Answer of 27 December 2023 to Question 5833 on Palestinians: Children, what steps his Department is taking to identify people responsible for settler violence. (8406)
- 153 **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, how much his Department spent on aid projects relating to women and girls in (a) 2019-20 and (b) the last financial year. (8411)
- 154 **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, how much bilateral aid spending went on (a) women's equality organisations and (b) violence against woman and girls programmes in the last financial year. (8412)

- 155 **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps he is taking to meet each of the four priorities on preventing sexual violence in conflict.. (8413)
- 156 **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, when the UK last raised global responses to Conflict-related Sexual Violence in the UN Security Council. (8414)
- 157 **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, how much of the £12.5 million allocated to the Preventing Sexual Violence in Conflict Initiative in November 2022 has been spent; and if he will publish a breakdown by project of this spending. (8415)
- 158 **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what proportion of his Department's bilateral aid programmes include a focus on gender equality. (8416)
- 159 **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, how much bilateral aid spending his Department used to address violence against women and girls between December 2022 and December 2023. (8417)
- 160 **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether the Preventing Sexual Violence in Conflict Initiative has a three-year funding cycle. (8418)
- 161 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, pursuant to the procurement exercise launched by his Department on 12 December 2023 under tender reference 350584/1290656, if he will publish the sixteen locations where valuation services under the proposed contract are required. (8388)
- 162 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, when he plans to publish the details of his Department's expenditure over £500 using a government procurement card for (a) 1 November to 31 December 2022 and (b) 1 January to 30 November 2023. (8394)
- 163 **Elliot Colburn** (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps his Department is taking to help reduce incidents of Hinduphobia. (8589)
- 164 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether there is a cap on weekly working hours for charity worker visas. (8614)
- 165 **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant the Answer of 18 December 2023 to Question 6491 on Shoplifting, following an instance of shoplifting what evidence can be secured from non-police personnel. (8367)

- 166 **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 18 December 2023 to Question 6491 on Shoplifting, what percentage of reports of shoplifting were attended by police in 2023; and whether attendance levels increased after publication of the National Police Chiefs' Council's Retail Crime Action Plan in October 2023. (8368)
- 167 **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many times Ministers in his Department consulted the National Police Chiefs' Council on its Retail Crime Action Plan before publication. (8369)
- 168 **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 18 December 2023 to Question 6491 on Shoplifting, whether HM Passport Office data has been used to help identify suspects of shoplifting. (8370)
- 169 **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 18 December 2023 to Question 6491 on Shoplifting, whether the number of citizen's arrests related to shoplifting increased in 2023. (8371)
- 170 **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 20 December 2023 to Question 6492 on Crime: Databases, if he will provide examples of organisations who have a lawful reason to access HM Passport Office data in support of the law enforcement mission they have been tasked with performing. (8372)
- 171 **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 20 December 2023 to Question 6492 on Crime: Databases, which data sets police forces have access to help identify criminals as of 8 January 2024. (8373)
- 172 **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 20 December 2023 to Question 6492 on Crime: Databases, whether the Government plans to increase police access to HM Passport Office data to help identify criminals. (8374)
- 173 **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 20 December 2023 to Question 6492 on Crime: Databases, whether the Government has made an assessment of the potential merits of amalgamating data sets into one system. (8375)
- 174 **Imran Hussain** (Bradford East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many Afghan refugees were housed in interim hotel accommodation as of (a) 5 December 2023, (b) 12 December 2023, (c) 19 December 2023, (d) 26 December 2023 and (e) 31 December 2023. (8448)

- 175 **Imran Hussain** (Bradford East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many Afghan refugees housed in interim hotel accommodation were aged (a) zero to three, (b) three to five, (c) five to ten, (d) 10 to 15 and (e) 15 to 18 years old as of 26 December 2023. (8449)
- 176 **Imran Hussain** (Bradford East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many Afghan refugees who left hotel accommodation between 1 and 31 December 2023 have found permanent accommodation in the same local authority area. (8450)
- 177 **Imran Hussain** (Bradford East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what support has been provided to Bradford Council by his Department to support Afghan refugees leaving interim hotel accommodation. (8451)
- 178 **Imran Hussain** (Bradford East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many Afghan refugees previously housed in interim hotel accommodation have been made homeless since leaving that accommodation. (8452)
- 179 **Imran Hussain** (Bradford East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many Afghan refugees previously housed in interim hotel accommodation have spent one or more nights sleeping rough since leaving that accommodation. (8453)
- 180 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many complaints were submitted to the Independent Office for Police Conduct in 2023. (8456)
- 181 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of the complaints submitted to the Independent Office for Police Conduct in 2023 were upheld. (8457)
- 182 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many complaints were received by the Independent Office for Police Conduct about the Metropolitan Police in 2023; and how many of those complaints were upheld. (8469)
- 183 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether he has taken recent steps to end the use of the false swim test. (8500)
- 184 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many (a) refugee, (b) asylum seeker and (c) human rights charities his Department consulted on the drafting of the Safety of Rwanda (Asylum and Immigration) Bill. (8565)
- 185 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether he has held recent discussions with (a) refugee, (b) asylum seeker and (c) human rights charities on the Safety of Rwanda (Asylum and Immigration) Bill. (8566)

- 186 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps his Department is taking to help increase the (a) recruitment and (b) retention of detectives. (8569)
- 187 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to his Department's publication of spending over £500 using a government procurement card in October 2023, published on 28 December 2023, for what purpose the training for which Heliguy were paid £749.50 on 11 October 2023 will be used; what type of equipment the participants were trained to use; and what the cost to his Department's Communications Directorate was of purchasing that equipment. (8390)
- 188 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 6 December 2022 to Question 97490 on Home Office: Electronic Purchasing Card Solution, what net expenditure was incurred through the use of Travel and Expenses cards against his Department's budget in calendar years (a) 2022 and (b) 2023. (8395)
- 189 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 26 January 2023 to Question 129735 on Home Office: Electronic Purchasing Card Solution, how many transactions were made using Travel and Expenses cards against his Department's budget in (a) 2022 and (b) 2023; and how many of these transactions were (i) above and (ii) below £500. (8396)
- 190 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Written Statement of 13 November 2023 on Service Family Accommodation and Winter Planning, HCWS28, how much funding the Defence Infrastructure Organisation has allocated for the routine preparation of homes ready for Move In as of 8 January 2024. (8323)
- 191 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Written Statement of 13 November 2023 on Service Family Accommodation and Winter Planning, HCWS28, how much funding the Defence Infrastructure Organisation has allocated to the damp and mould mitigation package for 4000 families as of 8 January 2024. (8324)
- 192 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Written Statement of 13 November 2023 on Service Family Accommodation and Winter Planning, HCWS28, how much funding the Defence Infrastructure Organisation has allocated to carry out extensive, high quality refurbishments of long-term empty service family accommodation as of 8 January 2024. (8327)
- 193 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Written Statement of 13 November 2023 on Service Family Accommodation and Winter Planning, HCWS28, how much funding the Defence Infrastructure Organisation has allocated to replacing the (a) kitchens and (b) bathrooms in homes as of 8 January 2024. (8329)

- 194 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Written Statement of 13 November 2023 on Service Family Accommodation and Winter Planning, HCWS28, what his planned timetable is for completing the replacement of (a) kitchens and (b) bathrooms. (8330)
- 195 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Written Statement of 13 November 2023 on Service Family Accommodation and Winter Planning, HCWS28, how much funding the Defence Infrastructure Organisation has allocated to the (a) boiling and (b) heating upgrades of homes as of 8 January 2024. (8331)
- 196 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Written Statement of 13 November 2023 on Service Family Accommodation and Winter Planning, HCWS28, how many additional out-of-hours staff have VIVO recruited as of 8 January 2024. (8333)
- 197 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Written Statement of 13 November 2023 on Service Family Accommodation and Winter Planning, HCWS28, how many members of staff work in the VIVO Customer Experience team as of 8 January 2024. (8334)
- 198 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Written Statement of 13 November 2023 on Service Family Accommodation and Winter Planning, HCWS28, what (a) indicators and (b) warnings have been established to enable the Defence Infrastructure Organisation to remain agile in respect of the allocation of resource over winter 2023-24. (8335)
- 199 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Written Statement of 13 November 2023 on Service Family Accommodation and Winter Planning, HCWS28 and the Rehearsal of Concept drill to test winter preparedness, whether (a) DIO, (b) Pinnacle, (c) Amey and (d) VIVO reported that they could not respond appropriately to (i) a surge in repair requests and (ii) callouts due to the impact of weather. (8337)
- 200 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Written Statement of 8 November 2023 on External Scrutiny Team Report, 2022 and 2023, HCWS18, what estimate he has made of the date by which all recommendations from the Haythornthwaite Review will be fully implemented. (8338)
- 201 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has plans to expand the National Shipbuilding Office. (8339)
- 202 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the National Shipbuilding Office over the last 12 months. (8340)

- 203 **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the total cost of the Army Recruiting contract between his Department and Capita is. (8354)
- 204 **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many (a) officers and (b) other ranks were recruited to the Army in 2022-23. (8355)
- 205 **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many (a) officers and (b) other ranks were recruited into the British Army in each of the first three quarters of 2023-24. (8356)
- 206 **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the target for recruitment of (a) officers and (b) other ranks in the British army was in 2022-23. (8357)
- 207 **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what his Department's target was for recruitment of (a) officers and (b) other ranks into the British Army for each of the first three quarters in the 2023-24 financial year. (8358)
- 208 **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the (a) value and (b) duration is of the contract his Department holds with Serco for the recruitment of personnel into the Royal Fleet Auxiliary. (8359)
- 209 **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many regular personnel are assigned to the Royal Navy submarine service. (8360)
- 210 **Neale Hanvey** (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the timescale is for the replacement of each of the Vanguard class submarines. (8591)
- 211 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much the Recruitment Partnership Project spent on (a) the Defence Recruitment System and (b) other projects. (8301)
- 212 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what estimate he has made of the costs of recruitment to the (a) Army; (b) Royal Navy and (c) RAF in (i) 2023/24, (ii) 2024/25 and (iii) 2025/26. (8302)
- 213 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when his Department plans to tender for two new submarine floating docks. (8307)
- 214 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the costs are of cancellation of the Morpheus contract with General Dynamics. (8308)

- 215 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Answer of 15 June 2022 to Question 13042 on Armed Forces: Recruitment, how much his Department spent on the recruitment systems for the (a) Army, (b) Royal Air Force and (c) Royal Navy in financial year 2022/23. (8309)
- 216 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the average length of time is for a person joining the (a) Army, (b) Royal Navy and (c) RAF to undergo a full security check for their security clearance. (8310)
- 217 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many people had their application to join the (a) Army, (b) Royal Navy and (c) RAF because they did not the education requirements for (i) non-officer and (ii) officer recruitment in each year since 2010. (8311)
- 218 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many and what proportion of the Royal Navy's personnel are shore-based. (8312)
- 219 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what determination his Department made of the future of HMS Albion. (8313)
- 220 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what determination his Department has made of the future of HMS Bulwark. (8314)
- 221 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what determination his Department has made of the future of HMS Argyll. (8315)
- 222 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what determination his Department has made of the future of HMS Westminster. (8316)
- 223 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what progress his Department has made on integration of UK weapons onto the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter. (8317)
- 224 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many Royal Navy ships have been fitted with the Naval Strike Missile. (8318)
- 225 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many applications his Department has had for the position of Director Submarines; and how many have progressed to the next stage. (8319)
- 226 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when he plans to publish his Department's gender pay gap report for 2023. (8382)
- 227 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to Page 54 of his Department's annual report and accounts for 2022/23, HC1468, published on 25 July 2023, what the distance travelled on domestic flights was that resulted in the emission totals of (a) 2,460 tCO₂e in 2021/22, and (b) 4,070 tCO₂e in 2022/23. (8383)

- 228 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what (a) current and (b) expired contracts were agreed for the operation of each prison in the last 10 years; who the providers were for each contract; and what the (i) start and (ii) end date was for each contract. (8445)
- 229 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many people of each ethnicity are serving a determinate prison sentence of 20 years or more. (8446)
- 230 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many people of what religion from each ethnic group were in prison on 30 September 2023. (8447)
- 231 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of removing access to legal aid for people who lose their entitlement to Universal Credit under measures announced in the Autumn statement on such people. (8493)
- 232 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps his Department is taking to help reduce the rate of victims of crime dropping out of criminal proceedings. (8568)
- 233 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to footnote 50 on page 58 of his Department's Annual Report and Accounts for 2022/23, HC 13, published on 28 November 2023, what the nature was of the historic erroneous data that required correction; and where the corrected data can be found. (8387)
- 234N**Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the Answer of 5 September 2023 to Question 197760 on Royal Mint: Fraud, what information his Department holds on whether the investigation by law enforcement agencies into fraudulent transactions made on the Royal Mint website since 2022 has concluded. [Transferred] (7798)
- 235 **Carla Lockhart** (Upper Bann): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what safeguards HMRC has in place to ensure the authenticity of digital signatures on paperwork provided by third-party businesses acting on behalf of their clients in exchanges with HMRC. (8615)
- 236 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of the funding his Department has provided to City of York Council through the local government funding settlement. (8481)
- 237 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of the funding provided to local authorities. (8491)

Questions for Answer on Thursday 11 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Attorney General, with reference to the Crown Prosecution Service report of 29 September 2023, Crown Prosecution Service Joint Enterprise Pilot 2023: Data Analysis, whether joint enterprise applies where persons unintentionally assist or encourage another to commit a crime. (8608)
- 2N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, for what reason the former Deputy Leader of the House of Commons was awarded a payment on 27 September 2022, in the context of his age at the date he ceased to hold office. (8377)
- 3N **Virginia Crosbie** (Ynys Môn): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps she is taking to help protect farmers from competition from countries with lower animal welfare standards; and what steps she is taking to help ensure that food labelling accurately reflects the origin of produce. (8620)
- 4N **Mr David Jones** (Clwyd West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many meetings (a) ministers and (b) officials of her Department have had with (i) ministers and (ii) officials in the (A) Home Office and (B) Ministry of Justice to discuss retained EU law in the context of the Government's proposals for the removal of illegal migrants to Rwanda. (8365)
- 5 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she plans to take steps to help restore post offices that closed as a result of Horizon programme failures. (8519)
- 6N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps her Department is taking to support British cheese makers. (8629)
- 7N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will make an estimate of how many UK cheese exporters will have to pay full tariffs on exports to Canada as a result of changes to the trading agreement. (8630)
- 8N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many companies exported cheese to Canada in 2023; and what estimate she has made of how many will be able to export to Canada without being subject to full tariffs in 2024. (8631)
- 9N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of changes to the UK's trading agreement with Canada on the British cheese industry. (8632)
- 10N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps she is taking to help British cheese producers maintain levels of exports to Canada. (8633)

- 11N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, with reference to her Department's gender pay gap report 2023, published on 30 November 2023, what proportion of (a) female and (b) male staff in the scope of the report's calculations received non-consolidated bonuses in the period covered by the report. (8380)
- 12N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will take steps to help ensure that family hubs provide therapeutic interventions to pregnant mothers who are at risk of having their baby removed. (8478)
- 13N **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she is taking steps to provide support for students with diabetes. (8600)
- 14N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 18 December 2023 to Question 6458 on Special Educational Needs: County Durham, whether she is providing additional resources to Durham County Council to meet demand for Education, Health and Care plans. (8409)
- 15N **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many and what proportion of pupils at every mainstream state (a) primary and (b) secondary school (i) were from each ethnic group and (ii) had an unclassified ethnic group in each academic year since 2006-7; and what the URN was of each school. (8572)
- 16N **Dr Thérèse Coffey** (Suffolk Coastal): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many applications to the Sustainable Farming Incentive 2023 have been (a) made and (b) approved in Suffolk Coastal constituency. (8422)
- 17N **Virginia Crosbie** (Ynys Môn): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he is taking steps to support abattoirs to ensure animals' journey times to slaughter are minimised; and whether he is taking steps to help improve transport conditions for animals when they undertake a journey. (8617)
- 18N **Virginia Crosbie** (Ynys Môn): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he is taking steps to help ensure that abattoirs are appropriately staffed; and whether he is taking steps to help ensure the resilience of the carbon dioxide supply required for the slaughter of pigs and poultry. (8618)
- 19N **Virginia Crosbie** (Ynys Môn): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps is he taking to support the Animal and Plant Health Agency. (8619)
- 20N **Chris Grayling** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 19 December 2023 to Question 5477 on Darwin Initiative: Finance, how much grant funding has been provided to organisations with representatives on the Darwin Extra panel in the last three years; and what proportion of total grant funding this figure represents. [R] (8346)

- 21 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the capacity of the Environment Agency to meet demand at times of country-wide flooding. (8525)
- 22N **Jim McMahon** (Oldham West and Royton): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether the licensing fees paid by XL Bully dog owners will cover the cost of preparing the certificate of exemption. (8543)
- 23N **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make it his policy to ban the export of paraquat. (8598)
- 24N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child adopting General Comment 26, what steps he plans to take to incorporate into UK law Article 19 on the Right to freedom from all forms of violence including protecting children from exposure to violence inflicted on animals. (8408)
- 25N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate he has made of the cost of damage from flooding in each year since 2010. (8438)
- 26N **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, when he plans to publish a response to his Department's consultation A Decent Homes Standard in the private rented sector. (8594)
- 27 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will activate the Government's Bellwin scheme for flooded areas. (8523)
- 28 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he has plans to increase funding for flood resilience. (8524)
- 29N **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department is taking steps to tackle rogue parking enforcement companies. (8601)
- 30N **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what number and proportion of general needs housing lettings were to non-UK nationals in each year since 1994. (8571)
- 31N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what was the outcome of the noise-detecting traffic camera trials. (8343)
- 32N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many Blue Badges were issued in (a) England, (b) Scotland, (c) Wales, and (d) Northern Ireland in (i) 2020, (ii) 2021, (iii) 2022 and (iv) 2023. (8344)

- 33N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he is taking steps with Cabinet colleagues to help support businesses that manufacture (a) cycle and (b) e-cycles. (8479)
- 34N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what his planned timetable is for publishing updated guidance for local transport authorities on local transport plans; and what steps his Department plans to take to ensure that local stakeholders reviewing their LTPs are made aware of any potential changes to guidance. (8495)
- 35N **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will publish a breakdown by nationality of the (a) total and (b) average amount households received in (i) total cash benefits, (ii) tax credits, (iii) income related benefit and (iv) non-income related benefit in each year since 2010. (8635)
- 36N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, on what date he expects to receive the report of the joint process and impact evaluation of the Household Support Fund 4. (8288)
- 37N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what impact the introduction of the online system for the determination of Access to Work applications has had on waiting times. (8289)
- 38N **Hilary Benn** (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, for what reason NHS numbers issued in Northern Ireland are not transferable to England. (8320)
- 39N **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department takes to ensure that (a) North West Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust and (b) other ambulance trusts provide appropriate pay for Emergency Care Assistants. (8611)
- 40N **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has had discussions with trade unions on the (a) pay and (b) conditions of Emergency Care Assistants at the South Western Ambulance Service. (8612)
- 41N **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has had discussions with trade unions on the (a) pay and (b) conditions of Emergency Care Assistants at NHS ambulance trusts. (8613)
- 42N **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what progress she has made on establishing a Falsified Medicines scheme. (8581)
- 43N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has made assessment of the impact of the increase in return to practice payments for nursing in general practice on the number of registered nurses working in general practice since the introduction of those payments. (8545)

- 44N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will publish a breakdown of the NHS midwifery workforce in England by length of service for (a) 2010, (b) 2015, (c) 2017, (d) 2019 and (e) the most recent year for which she has figures. (8410)
- 45N **Abena Oppong-Asare** (Erith and Thamesmead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will publish the number of full time equivalent (a) trainee and (b) qualified cognitive behavioural therapists employed by NHS provider in each quarter between 2015 and 2023. (8604)
- 46N **Abena Oppong-Asare** (Erith and Thamesmead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will publish the number of full time equivalent (a) trainee and (b) qualified psychological wellbeing practitioners employed by NHS provider in each quarter between 2015 and 2023. (8605)
- 47N **Abena Oppong-Asare** (Erith and Thamesmead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will publish the number of (a) clinical and (b) non-clinical staff employed in NHS Improving Access to Psychological Therapies services by NHS provider in each quarter between 2015 and 2023. (8606)
- 48N **Abena Oppong-Asare** (Erith and Thamesmead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of referrals to NHS Improving Access to Psychological Therapies services waited less than (a) two, (b) four, (c) six and (d) 19 weeks to begin treatment by NHS provider in each quarter between 2021 and 2023. (8607)
- 49N **Tommy Sheppard** (Edinburgh East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the implications for her Department's policies of the University of Manchester's article entitled Reforming UK fertility legislation: the effects of online DNA testing, published on 27 November. [R] (8471)
- 50N **Nick Smith** (Blaenau Gwent): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether any NHS suffered a financial shortfall from the Earnd scheme following the failure of Greensill Capital. (8403)
- 51N **Nick Smith** (Blaenau Gwent): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the NAO report Investigation into supply chain finance in the NHS, HC 734, published on 29 October 2021, what the costs have been to NHS Trusts which used the Earnd of switching to alternative salary advancement initiatives. (8404)
- 52N **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what consular assistance has been provided to British nationals who are (a) former and (b) current members of the Synagogue Church of all Nations in Nigeria since March 2010; and if he has made representations to his counterparts in Nigeria on consular cases involving that Church. (8398)

- 53N **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has made an assessment of the impact of the participation of (a) JBS Foods and (b) other large meat processing corporations in COP28 on the global climate change debate. (8321)
- 54N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, pursuant to the Answer of 29 December 2023 to Question HL1234 on Roderick Drummond, whether his Department has sanctioned Mr Drummond following his acceptance of an award from Bahrain on 23 July 2023. (8586)
- 55N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, pursuant to the Answer of 29 December 2023 to Question HL1234 on Roderick Drummond, whether he has made recent representations to his counterpart on Bahrain on the presentation of an award to the former ambassador on 23 July 2023. (8587)
- 56N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will take steps to support the case brought against Israel at the international court of justice by the Republic of South Africa. (8588)
- 57 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether recent progress has been made towards opening the Kerem Shalom border crossing into Gaza for humanitarian aid. (8518)
- 58N **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has had recent discussions with his Israeli counterpart on Israel's obligations under the Genocide Convention including the duties in relation to incitement in the context of the war in Gaza. (8439)
- 59N **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether his Department plans to (a) support the request for preventative measures and (b) otherwise participate in the case against Israel at the international court of justice brought by the Republic of South Africa. (8440)
- 60N **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent steps his Department has taken to comply with its duties under Articles I and VIII of the Genocide Convention in the context of the war in Gaza. (8441)
- 61N **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough): 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 comments on imposing a complete siege on Gaza by Israeli Defence Minister on 9 October 2023. (8442)

- 62N **Tommy Sheppard** (Edinburgh East): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has had recent discussions with his Israeli counterpart on the situation in the Cows Garden site of the Armenian Quarter in the Old City of Jerusalem. [R] (8472)
- 63N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, when he plans to publish the bi-annual report on the Government Wine Cellar for 2020-22; and with reference to the Answer of 24 July 2023 to Question 194689 and pursuant to the Answer of 22 November 2023 to Question 1466 on Government Hospitality: Wines, for what reasons the report was not published (a) in Autumn 2023 and (b) before the Christmas recess. (8378)
- 64N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when he plans to lay regulations commencing sections (a) 1, (b) 2 and (c) 3 of the Protection from Sex-based Harassment in Public Act 2023. (8419)
- 65N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what (a) guidance he has issued to police forces and (b) data his Department is collecting on the recording of data on harassment offences where sex or gender is a relevant factor. (8420)
- 66N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many unaccompanied children seeking asylum have spent at least one night in hotel accommodation provided by the Home Office in the last 3 months. (8423)
- 67N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many unaccompanied children seeking asylum were placed in hotel accommodation by the Home Office in the last three months, broken down by number of nights spent in that accommodation. (8424)
- 68N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to his Department's No Place to Hide: Serious and Organised Crime Strategy 2023-2028, published on 13 December 2023, whether the 4 Ps Strategy is still active. (8433)
- 69N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will make an assessment of the effectiveness of his Department's Serious and organised crime strategy 2018 to 2023. (8434)
- 70N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if his Department will publish a list of updated research priorities alongside the Serious and organised crime strategy 2023-2028. (8435)
- 71N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will publish a list of (a) non-governmental organisations and (b) civil society groups he is planning to work with as part of the Serious and Organised Crime strategy. (8436)

- 72N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to footnote 2, page 9 of the publication entitled No Place to Hide: Serious and Organised Crime Strategy 2023-2028, if his Department will publish the reasoning for using inflation as the sole factor of methodology in updating the cost of Serious and Organised Crime in the UK from £37 billion to £47 billion per year. (8437)
- 73N **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many incidents of illegal off-road bike use were recorded by the police in Stockport in each of the last five years. (8597)
- 74N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many administrative reviews take over 12 months; and what is the average length of such reviews. (8544)
- 75N **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent estimate he has made of the cost of removing damp and mould from his Department's properties requiring such work. (8325)
- 76N **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Written Statement of 13 November 2023 on Service Family Accommodation and Winter Planning, HCWS28, how much funding the Defence Infrastructure Organisation has allocated for further and more substantial damp and mould prevention works as of 8 January 2024. (8326)
- 77N **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Written Statement of 13 November 2023 on Service Family Accommodation and Winter Planning, HCWS28, what his planned timetable is for completing the refurbishments of long-term empty service family accommodation. (8328)
- 78N **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Written Statement of 13 November 2023 on Service Family Accommodation and Winter Planning, HCWS28, how many homes his Department plans to purchase for service families in (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26. (8332)
- 79N **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Written Statement of 13 November 2023 on Service Family Accommodation and Winter Planning, HCWS28, what the conclusions were from the Rehearsal of Concept drill to test winter preparedness. (8336)
- 80N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many Armed Forces personnel were (a) stationed in and (b) deployed to the Middle East in (i) October 2023, (ii) November 2023, (iii) December 2023 and (iv) January 2024. (8303)
- 81N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much aid for Gaza has been delivered by the Armed Forces. (8304)

- 82N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when the next RAF aid flight for Gaza will take place. (8305)
- 83N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when the next shipment of aid for Gaza by the Royal Navy will take place. (8306)
- 84N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the Answer of 18 September 2023 to Question 199877 on Probation Service: Recruitment, whether 843 full time equivalent staff were recruited by 31 December 2023. (8341)
- 85N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the report by the University of Manchester entitled Racial Bias and the Bench, published in November 2022, whether he has had recent discussions with the Lady Chief Justice on the recommendation to (a) publish the Judicial Executive Board report into judicial bullying and racism and (b) make the judiciary more (i) transparent and (ii) accountable. (8425)
- 86N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the report by the University of Manchester entitled Racial Bias and the Bench, published in November 2022, whether his Department has made a recent assessment of the implications for its policies of the findings on the adequacy of the level of take-up of race training by legal professionals; and if he will take steps with the (a) Lady Chief Justice and (b) Chief Coroner to increase the take-up of this training. (8426)
- 87N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will make an estimate of the cumulative number of years of experience held by prison officers in each year since 2010. (8407)
- 88N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the quantified contingent liability for headquarters employment tribunals on page 249 of his Department's Annual Report and Accounts 2022-23, HC 13, published on 28 November 2023, how many outstanding headquarters employment tribunal cases his Department had on its books on (a) 31 March 2021, (b) 31 March 2022, (c) 31 March 2023, and (d) 31 December 2023; and how many cases related to judicial pension claims on each date. (8379)
- 89N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the contract agreed by his Department with Kindred Agency Ltd. on 21 December 2023 under procurement reference 380687/1297247, if he will publish the (a) work specification set out in Schedule 20 of that contract, and (b) statement of work template set out in Annex A of the letter of appointment. (8381)
- 90N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, if he will make representations to financial institutions in Northern Ireland to press for the establishment of more banking hubs. (8345)

- 91N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many UK-flagged vessels have been prosecuted for the transportation of Russian oil in the last two years. (8342)
- 92N **Virginia Crosbie** (Ynys Môn): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps he is taking to support the hospitality industry; and if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of reducing VAT for that industry. (8616)
- 93N **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what the Barnett Formula consequential funding for Wales will be of the announcement of 29 November 2023 of £30 million for women and girls football in England; and when the Welsh government will receive that funding. (8548)

Questions for Answer on Monday 15 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Sir Chris Bryant** (Rhondda): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if the Government will publish a list of meetings he held with Dominic Cummings in (a) 2022 and (b) 2023. [Transferred] (7804)
- 2N **Mr Tobias Ellwood** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of artificial intelligence on productivity in the Civil Service. (8362)
- 3N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what number of veterans are rough sleepers; how data on veteran rough sleeping is collected; and when that data was last collected. (8293)
- 4N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the Veterans' Strategy Action Plan 2022 to 2024, if he will list the 50 Jobcentre Plus offices where Armed Forces Champions have been appointed. (8294)
- 5N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many veterans have been identified as Universal Credit claimants since the introduction of the new DWP marker. (8295)
- 6N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, when the Minister for Veterans' Affairs last met with the Parliamentary Under Secretary (Minister for Defence, People and Families) to discuss matters relating to veterans. (8297)
- 7N **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will call on Fujitsu to compensate the sub-postmasters who were wrongly convicted between 2000 and 2014. (8397)

- 8N **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department is taking steps to ensure that private finance initiative contracts are not used to prevent the statutory academisation of schools following relevant inspection findings. (8366)
- 9N **Mr Tobias Ellwood** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help flood affected areas in (a) Bournemouth East constituency and (b) the South West. (8364)
- 10N **Chris Grayling** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of not permitting representatives of organisations which apply for Darwin funding from serving on (a) Darwin Initiative Extra and (b) the Darwin Expert Committee. [R] (8347)
- 11N **Chris Grayling** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 6 December 2023 to Question 5477 on Darwin Initiative: Finance, if he will appoint independent experts to the Darwin Expert Committee to decide grant applications. [R] (8348)
- 12N **Mohammad Yasin** (Bedford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of allowing (a) local authorities and (b) police forces to retain revenues from speeding fines. [Transferred] (8085)
- 13N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether he has made a recent assessment of the potential impact of Carers Allowance and State Pension being overlapping benefits on levels of pensioner poverty. (8576)
- 14N **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate she has made of the amount of money spent by the NHS on private ambulances in each of the last five years. (8540)
- 15N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to ensure people with dementia will benefit from the forthcoming Major Conditions Strategy. (8290)
- 16N **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether she has received representations from (a) Global Witness and (b) Ban the Batistas on the Brazilian firm JBS. (8322)
- 17N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps he is taking to tackle the causes of changes in the levels of hate crime against LGBT+ people. (8541)

- 18N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the Law Commission report Hate crime laws: Final report, HC 942, published in December 2021, if he will implement the recommendations in that report that all (a) anti-LGBT+ (b) and disability hate crimes be treated as aggravated offences. (8542)
- 19N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what is the process for issuing exit visas to Eritrean nationals with UK visas. [Transferred] (7859)
- 20N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much has been spent on the refit of (a) HMS Argyll and (b) HMS Westminster. (8349)
- 21N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, which Type 23 frigates are in refit; and when those refits are expected to be completed. (8350)
- 22N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the (a) duration, (b) purpose and (c) value is of each of his Department's contracts with Fujita; and who the Top Level budget holder is for each contract. (8351)
- 23N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the out of service date is of (a) HMS Albion and (b) HMS Bulwark. (8352)
- 24N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the (a) inflow and (b) outflow data for the Regular (i) Royal Navy, (ii) Army and (iii) Royal Air Force are for October to December 2023. (8353)
- 25N **Neale Hanvey** (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many Vanguard class submarines are deployed to provide continuous at sea deterrence. (8590)
- 26N **Neale Hanvey** (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when each Vanguard class submarine has been out of service. (8592)
- 27N **Neale Hanvey** (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many of the Vanguard class submarines are out of service. (8593)
- 28N **Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of his Department's contracts with Vodafone. (8292)
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- 1N **Mr Tobias Ellwood** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps he is taking to improve mental health support for veterans and their families. (8363)