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Questions tabled on Friday 12 January 2024

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 - † Indicates a Question not included in the random selection process but accepted because the quota for that day had not been filled.
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Questions for Answer on Monday 15 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether protocols exist to warn the (a) general public and (b) susceptible individuals during periods of high levels of air pollution. [Transferred] (9136)
- 2 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of penalties for people illegally importing dogs. [Transferred] (9279)
- 3 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to help ensure the continued supply of veterinary medicines to Northern Ireland beyond 2025. [Transferred] (9187)
- 4 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what funding has been made available to Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council for clean-up operations following recent flooding. [Transferred] (9220)
- 5 **Dehenna Davison** (Bishop Auckland): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps his Department is taking to support the long-term viability of high streets. [Transferred] (9294)
- 6 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, how many purchases with a value less than £500 were made against the budget of the Department for Business, Energy and

Industrial Strategy through a Government procurement card (a) in calendar year 2022 and (b) from 1 January to 7 February 2023; and what was the total cost of those purchases.

[Transferred] (8955)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 16 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Attorney General, what recent assessment she has made of the effectiveness of the CPS in ensuring access to justice for victims of crime. (9355)
- 2 **Tonia Antoniazzi** (Gower): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether her Department has had recent discussions with the Post Office on replacing the Horizon system. (9354)
- 3 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether her Department issues guidance to the hospitality sector on the statutory entitlement of visually impaired people to access premises with their guide dogs. (9323)
- 4 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she has made an assessment of the effectiveness of digital skills training initiatives in bridging skills gaps in the technology sector. (9357)
- 5 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to help improve digital skills in underrepresented communities. (9358)
- 6 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she plans to take to expand digital literacy programs in (a) rural and (b) remote areas. (9359)
- 7 **Mr Jonathan Lord** (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how much the Drax power station has received in subsidies for burning wood in each of the last eight years; and if she will make an estimate of the amount of CO2 that was released from its chimneys in this period. (9346)
- 8 **Lloyd Russell-Moyle** (Brighton, Kemptown): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent progress her Department has made on reviewing the UK's membership of the Energy Charter Treaty. (9353)
- 9 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what information his Department holds on the levels of dog attacks on cats; and if he will take legislative steps to help prevent such attacks. (9345)

- 10 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of allowing councils to acquire long-term empty properties at below-market value for conversion into social housing. (9356)
- 11 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will conduct a review into the regulation of (a) sales of caravans and (b) management fees at static caravan sites. (9360)
- 12N **Sir Chris Bryant** (Rhondda): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if she will consider the potential merits of instructing Ofcom to (a) monitor compliance by (i) network operators and (ii) contractors using Openreach ducts and (b) require registration from any organisation using Openreach ducts to help ensure the (A) resilience of the UK's networks and (B) security of national infrastructure. (9341)
- 13 **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 11 January 2024 to Question 8344 on Blue Badge Scheme, for what reason he has not provided information on the Blue Badge Scheme in Northern Ireland. (9339)
- 14 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many railway stations in England have tactile paving on platforms to help visually impaired people. (9324)
- 15 **John McNally** (Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether his Department plans to make unmarried long-term childless couples eligible for Bereavement Support Payment. (9351)
- 16 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Office of Health Improvement and Disparities data on D01 - Fraction of mortality attributable to particulate air pollution (new method), if she will publish the annual number of deaths attributable to long term exposure to total concentrations of fine particulate matter for each year that data is available. (9312)
- 17 **Philip Davies** (Shipley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much external funding has the UK Health Security Agency received each year since it was formed; and if she will list the details of who provided this funding. (9342)
- 18 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of implementing a dedicated cancer strategy to work in conjunction with the Major Conditions Strategy. (9322)
- 19 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help tackle the sale of prescription-only drugs to patients without a prescription through illicit websites. (9352)

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- 20 **Mark Logan** (Bolton North East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether he has made a recent assessment of the adequacy of police pay. (9361)
- 21 **Mark Logan** (Bolton North East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will take steps to reduce the pay difference for experienced police community support officers transitioning to become police constables. (9362)
- 22 **Selaine Saxby** (North Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of establishing national minimum standards for investigations into road collisions. (9363)
- 23 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Written Statement of 4 December 2023 entitled Update on the AUKUS Defence Partnership, HCWS89, what opportunities will there be for UK industry to engage with the scaling-up of maritime capabilities. (9325)
- 24 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent progress he has made on quantum technologies in the AUKUS partnership. (9328)
- 25 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent progress he has made on undersea capabilities in the AUKUS partnership. (9329)
- 26 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent progress he has made on (a) hypersonic and (b) counter-hypersonic capabilities in the AUKUS partnership. (9330)
- 27 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent progress he has made on electronic warfare capabilities in the AUKUS partnership. (9331)
- 28 **Ian Paisley** (North Antrim): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what the income to the public purse was for VAT payments from Northern Ireland in each of the last five years, broken down by sector. (9347)
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Questions for Answer on Wednesday 17 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what the (a) average and (b) longest time between application and a start date for recruiting a civil servant was in the last three years; and whether he is taking steps to reduce those times. (9313)

- 2N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the implications for his policies of trends in the volume of food waste reported by businesses in the last three years. (9338)
- 3N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the cost to her Department was of officials attending the fourth meeting of the Working Group on Amendments to the International Health Regulations in July 2023. (9335)
- 4N **Mr David Lammy** (Tottenham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, how much official development assistance his Department plans to provide to Ukraine in the (a) 2023-24 and (b) 2024-25 financial year. (9318)
- 5N **Mr David Lammy** (Tottenham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of Russia's escalating air attacks on Ukraine. (9319)
- 6N **Mr David Lammy** (Tottenham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps he has taken to help prevent the supply of Iranian drones to Russia. (9320)
- 7N **Mr David Lammy** (Tottenham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps he has taken to help prevent the supply of Democratic People's Republic of Korea ammunitions to Russia. (9321)
- 8N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, on how many occasions the Defending Democracy Taskforce met in the last 12 months. (9336)
- 9N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when he plans to respond to the Fourth Report of Session 2022–23 of the Home Affairs Select Committee entitled Terrorism (Protection of Premises) draft Bill, HC 1359. (9337)
- 10N **Stuart C McDonald** (Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the Answer of 29 April 2021 to Question 183169 on Windrush Compensation Scheme, how many and what proportion of applicants to the Windrush Compensation Scheme have died in the period between applying for and receiving compensation. (9349)
- 11N **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent progress he has made on cyber capabilities in the AUKUS partnership. (9326)
- 12N **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent progress he has made on artificial intelligence capabilities in the AUKUS partnership. (9327)

- 13N **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent progress his Department has made on increasing (a) innovation and (b) information sharing within the AUKUS programme. (9332)
- 14N **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many (a) full- and (b) part-time officials are working on AUKUS pillar two. (9333)
- 15N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether (a) prison officers and (b) operational support grades are required to have a face-to-face interview as part of the recruitment process. (9343)
- 16N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many and what proportion of people who were rejected for operational support grade roles were subsequently recruited as prison officers in each of the last eight quarters. (9344)
- 17N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Prime Minister, with reference to the Answer of 27 November 2023 to Question 3132 on Prime Minister: Correspondence, when he plans to respond to the correspondence from an East Londonderry constituent of 16 June 2023 on water fluoridation policy that was re-delivered to his parliamentary office in-person by the hon. Member for East Londonderry on 29 November 2023. (9340)
- 18N **Stuart C McDonald** (Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East): To ask the Prime Minister, with reference to his oral contribution at Prime Minister's Questions on 10 January 2024, Official Report, column 297, on what evidential basis he said that the number of people living in poverty has reduced by 1.7 million since 2010. (9350)
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Questions for Answer on Thursday 18 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Ashley Dalton** (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with the Minister of the Cabinet Office on the role of the Government Resilience Framework in strengthening national flooding preparedness. [Transferred] (901020)
- 2N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing the Calgary model of dog bite prevention. (9348)
- 3N **Kevin Brennan** (Cardiff West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether he has received recent representations on the financial impact of the police pension scheme 2015 on retired police officers. (9334)
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Questions for Answer on Friday 19 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, when the Future Fund provided funds to Mrs Wordsmith; and how much those funds were. (9316)
- 2N **Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, when Innovate UK provided funds to Study Hall Ltd; and how much those funds were. (9315)
- 3N **Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, when Innovate UK provided funds to Digme Fitness; and how much those funds were. (9317)
- 4N **Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much funding The New Craftsmen Ltd received from the Future Fund; and on what dates it received that funding. (9314)