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# **Questions tabled on Friday 19 January 2024**

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## Questions for Answer on Tuesday 23 January

- Steve McCabe (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the oral answer of the Minister for Veterans' Affairs of 18 January 2024, Official Report column 1012, what the evidential basis is for the number of veterans employed through the civil service scheme. (10593)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of (a) adopting the Australian policy of the constitutional right to a portrait of the Sovereign and (b) offering a free portrait of the King to all homes in the United Kingdom. (10604)
- Beth Winter (Cynon Valley): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to page six of the NHS Employers publication entitled Government offer in principle for the NHS Agenda for Change workforce, published in March 2023, whether the Government plans to review the effectiveness of other public sector pay review bodies in the 2023-24 financial year.
- John Redwood (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she has made an assessment of the potential impact of the policy to reduce the sale of (a) petrol and (b) diesel cars by 2030 on the production capacity of the car industry. (10580)
- John Redwood (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she has made an estimate of the steel required to be imported following the potential closure of UK blast furnaces. (10581)

- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what funding her Department has provided to Girlguiding UK in each of the last five years. (10599)
- 7 Sarah Dyke (Somerton and Frome): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much ringfenced funding is available to local authorities to prevent school absence due to chronic health conditions. (10691)
- 8 Sarah Dyke (Somerton and Frome): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what number and proportion of state-educated students recorded school absences due to (a) chronic health conditions and (b) disabilities. (10692)
- 9 **Lloyd Russell-Moyle** (Brighton, Kemptown): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department collects data on students who self-report (a) depression, (b) bad nerves and (c) anxiety. (10650)
- 10 **Peter Aldous** (Waveney): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent steps her Department has taken to help increase the take-up of smart meters. (10615)
- Peter Aldous (Waveney): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what her Department's expected timeline is to publish its response to the Improving boiler standards and efficiency consultation, published on 13 December 2022.
- Peter Aldous (Waveney): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to case study six of research commissioned by her Department entitled Defining and identifying complex-to-decarbonise homes and retrofit solutions Annex C case studies, published on 3 January 2024, what steps her Department plans to take to help consumers with Victorian 'Eco Home' whole house retrofit work.
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will make an assessment of the effectiveness of green bonds issued by (a) Bruce Power and (b) Ontario Power Generation in Canada. (10609)
- 14 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether she plans to classify nuclear power as sustainable. (10610)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what her planned timetable is for the publication of the consultation on the Green Taxonomy. (10611)
- Richard Thomson (Gordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment she has made of the implications for her policies of the time taken by the Offshore Petroleum Regulator for Environment and Decommissioning to deliver permits for energy production projects.

  [R] (10676)

- 17 **Richard Thomson** (Gordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps she is taking to encourage (a) investment in and (b) development of the connection between offshore oil and gas and carbon capture, usage and storage technologies.

  [R] (10677)
- Richard Thomson (Gordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps she is taking to encourage (a) investment in and (b) development of the connection between onshore oil and gas and carbon capture, usage and storage (CCUS) technologies.

  [R] (10678)
- Richard Thomson (Gordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what proportion of gas used in the UK is domestically produced; if he will provide a breakdown of non-domestically produced gas used in the UK; and what steps she is taking to help reduce reliance on imported gas products. [R] (10679)
- 20 **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what the cost to the public purse was of the (a) annual lease, (b) daily operating costs, (c) fitting out, (d) security staff, (e) operations staff, (f) equipment, (g) services and amenities and (h) maintenance at Dover SPS Border Control Post in the last 12 months.
- 21 **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what the maximum number of physical checks is that can be undertaken in a 24-hour period at Dover SPS Border Control Post.
- 22 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of the condition of the River Rom. (10605)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department has assessed the potential merits of a central register for those convicted of any animal abuse which would be (a) be accessible to the public and (b) allow for the reporting of such crimes. (10608)
- 24N Sarah Champion (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
  Housing and Communities, pursuant to the Answer of 18 January 2024 to
  Question 9220 on Floods: Rotherham, how much funding has been allocated to
  Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council via the Flood Recovery Framework
  since Storm Babet.

  [Transferred] (10457)
- 25 Claire Hanna (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department plans to maintain funding for projects funded through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund in Northern Ireland after March 2025. (10683)
- 26 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling
  Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make it his policy to require new
  developments to use (a) electric and (b) renewable energy. (10636)

- 27 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to support flooded (a) businesses and (b) residential dwellings in areas that do not meet Bellwin scheme thresholds.

  (10637)
- 28 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to support local authorities to maintain bus services. (10638)
- 29 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent assessment he has made of the viability of community transport schemes. (10639)
- John Redwood (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much funding his Department has provided to Wokingham Borough Council for active travel projects in the (a) 2022-3 and (b) 2023-4 financial year. (10579)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if his Department will take steps to provide funding for the (a) development and (b) implementation of driverless (i) underground trains, (ii) overground trains, (iii) metro systems and (iv) other public transport. (10603)
- 32 **Vicky Foxcroft** (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps he is taking to help ensure that disabled people who are (a) in work and (b) are seeking to return to work have access to occupational health services.

  (10640)
- Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps he is taking to ensure the UK's obligations under the International Labour Organization Convention on Occupational Health Services are met.

  (10641)
- Fleur Anderson (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate her Department has made of the number of measles cases in (a) London, (b) Wandsworth borough and (c) Putney constituency. (10674)
- Fleur Anderson (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to help encourage vaccine uptake for measles in (a)
  London and (b) England. (10675)
- Mary Glindon (North Tyneside): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what progress her Department has made on drafting the Tobacco and Vapes Bill; and what steps she is taking to ensure that the Bill takes into account the responses to the consultation on Creating a smokefree generation and tackling youth vaping.

  (10619)
- 37 Mary Glindon (North Tyneside): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what her planned timetable is to respond to the consultation entitled Creating a smokefree generation and tackling youth vaping. (10620)

- Mary Glindon (North Tyneside): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 5 December to Question 4083 on Tobacco, whether he plans to publish the Office for Budget Responsibility's assessment of the Tobacco and Vapes Bill before its presentation. (10621)
- Mary Glindon (North Tyneside): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when she plans to publish a response to the consultation on Creating a smokefree generation and tackling youth vaping. (10622)
- 40 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she is taking steps to increase public awareness of the (a) roles and (b) competencies of (i) anaesthesia and (ii) physician associates in the NHS. (10624)
- 41 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many community pharmacies have closed in each of the last 5 years. (10626)
- 42 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of using artificial intelligence to undertake (a) assessments of medication for (i) compatibility and (ii) necessity and (b) other pharmaceutical checks. (10627)
- 43 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of allowing pharmacists to prescribe alternative medications if those prescribed by a GP are not available without referring back to the GP. (10628)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, for what reason there are medication shortages in the NHS; and if she will have discussions with the pharmaceutical industry on improving the supply. (10629)
- 45 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to (a) monitor the availability and (b) notify relevant stakeholders of shortages of supply of medications. (10630)
- 46 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the reasons for the closure of community pharmacies. (10631)
- 47 **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will take steps to increase funding for (a) research into the causes of and (b) treatments for Tourette's syndrome. (10687)
- 48 **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing NICE guidance for (a) Tourette's syndrome and (b) other tic disorders. (10688)
- 49 **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will take steps to improve the quality of training for service providers on (a) Tourette's syndrome and (b) other tic disorders. (10689)

- Keir Mather (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will take steps to increase the number of specialist practitioners (a) researching and (b) treating Tourette's syndrome in (i) North Yorkshire and (ii) the north of England.
- John McDonnell (Hayes and Harlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the paper in Epidemiology and Infection 2023; 151: e160, entitled Haemolytic uraemic syndrome in children England, Wales, Northern Ireland, and Ireland: A prospective cohort study, published on 1 September 2023, if she will take steps to publish more accurate data on the number of cases of Shiga toxin-producing Escherichia coli-associated hemolytic uremic syndrome identified by the UK Health Security Agency; and if her Department will take steps to increase funding for research into (a) cures and (b) treatments to improve long-term health outcomes for this illness.
- 52 **Lloyd Russell-Moyle** (Brighton, Kemptown): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will publish the (a) dates and (b) draft agendas of meetings of committees of NHS England and NHS Improvement scheduled for 2024.
- Lloyd Russell-Moyle (Brighton, Kemptown): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, which NHS bodies have a role in the consideration of Abiraterone for inclusion in the drug repurposing programme for the treatment of locally advanced high-risk non-metastatic prostate cancer; and what the remit of each body is in that process.
- 54 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent progress her Department has made on (a) reviewing the timing and appointment process for the NHS pay review bodies, (b) increasing NHS Staff Council input into NHS pay review bodies and (c) implementing the other non-pay elements of the 2023-24 NHS pay agreement relating to the future pay-setting process.
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent assessment he has made
  of the implications for his policies of the decision by Girlguiding UK to cease
  operations in British Overseas Territories; and whether his Department is providing
  support to those territories as a result of that decision.

  (10602)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent discussions he has had on
  the forthcoming Non-Aligned Movement Summit in Kampala with the Secretary
  General of the Commonwealth.

  (10607)
- 57 **Lloyd Russell-Moyle** (Brighton, Kemptown): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has had recent discussions with UNITAID on funding for that organisation. (10647)

- Claire Hanna (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps his Department is taking to ensure it is complying with relevant legislation on housing in multiple occupation in the context of the provision of accommodation for asylum seekers in Belfast. (10684)
- 59N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many new arrivals from Afghanistan have been placed in bridging hotels since September 2023. [Transferred] (10363)
- 60 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
  Department, what estimate he has made of the number of illegal migrants living
  in council housing. (10600)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what information his Department holds on how many cases of social housing tenancy fraud there were in the London Borough of Havering in (a) 2022, (b) 2021, (c) 2020 and (d) 2019.
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
  Department, how many illegal migrants are due to be rehoused from hotels
  to other forms of accommodation in (a) the United Kingdom and (b) Romford
  constituency by the end of February 2024. (10606)
- 63 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether he has made an assessment of the clarity of the updated caseworker guidance for processing late applications for the EU Settlement Scheme from people with permanent residency cards. (10645)
- 64 Sarah Jones (Croydon Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many people left the (a) Intelligence Corps, (b) Parachute Regiment and (c) Royal Marine Commando Forces in each of the last eight years. (10656)
- 65 Sarah Jones (Croydon Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the recruitment targets were for the (a) Intelligence Corps, (b) Parachute Regiment and (c) Royal Marine Commando Forces in each of the last eight years; and how many people were recruited to each body in the same period. (10657)
- 66 **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps HMRC plans to take when the special development order expires for the operation of Sevington Internal Border Facility. (10661)
- Ruth Jones (Newport West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to HMRC's consultation on Plastic Packaging Tax chemical recycling and adoption of a mass balance approach, published on 18 July 2023, when he plans to publish his response.
- Dame Siobhain McDonagh (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of changes in VAT rates on private hire vehicles and minicab journeys on (a) driver earnings and (b) jobs in the industry. (10587)

69 Charlotte Nichols (Warrington North): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, if she will reform the Gender Recognition Act 2004 to allow transgender people who are deceased to be legally remembered by the gender they lived by.

(10680)

### Questions for Answer on Wednesday 24 January

- 1N **Dave Doogan** (Angus): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what the cost of the Emergency Alerts system is. (10668)
- 2N **Peter Kyle** (Hove): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer on 18 January 2024 to Question 9578 on Artificial Intelligence, in which private offices the Red Box Copilot is being tested. (10642)
- 3N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the oral contribution of the Minister for Veterans' Affairs during his oral statement on Afghan Resettlement Update of 13 December 2023, Official Report, column 911, whether the existing hotel contracts being extended apply only to new arrivals from Afghanistan. (10588)
- 4N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what procurement rules apply to a (a) devolved and (b) commissioning authority seeking to tender for the construction of lifeline ferries. (10672)
- 5N **Lloyd Russell-Moyle** (Brighton, Kemptown): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will make an estimate of how much oil from Russia which has been refined in India has been imported as jet fuel since February 2022.

  (10646)
- 6N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of changes to visas for international students and their dependents on the finances of universities. (10625)
- 7N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when he plans to reply to Question 8408 on Offences against Children tabled on 8 January 2024 by the hon. Member for Easington for answer on 11 January 2024. (10613)
- 8N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to help improve the efficiency of social housing construction. (10632)

- 9N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to encourage uptake of shared ownership properties. (10633)
- 10N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
  Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of trends in the level of
  keyworker housing.
  (10634)
- 11N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make it his policy that property developers are required to provide apprenticeships. (10635)
- 12N **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, when the National Science and Technology Council last met. (10612)
- 13N Peter Kyle (Hove): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment he has made of the (a) effectiveness of and (b) adequacy of the levels of industry co-funding for the AI and data science postgraduate conversion course scholarship programme. (10644)
- 14N **Peter Kyle** (Hove): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether he plans to complete an algorithmic transparency report using the Algorithmic Transparency Recording Standard for uses of AI in the Lighthouse programme. (10643)
- 15N **Olivia Blake** (Sheffield, Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many complaints her Department received about the (a) processing and (b) administration of GP pensions in each of the last five years. (10686)
- 16N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will hold discussions with the food industry on reducing the sugar content in (a) food and (b) drink products. (10596)
- 17N Anneliese Dodds (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, which NHS trusts use a body mass index threshold for treatment for eating disorders in (a) adults and (b) children and adolescents. (10662)
- 18N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what his planned timetable is for the allocation of the £1.4 billion pledge to the International Development Association's replenishment fund. (10595)
- 19N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether any personnel have been deployed in Northern Ireland under Operation Gull in the last 12 months. (10597)
- 20N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many hotels are in use as asylum seeker accommodation as of 19 January 2024. (10598)

- 21N **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of a Palestinian Visa scheme based upon the Ukraine Visa scheme that allows those with family in the UK to be given safe passage. (10582)
- 22N Fabian Hamilton (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether he has had recent discussions with (a) HSBC and (b) Standard Chartered on the impact of their policies on not recognising the British National (Overseas) passport as a valid document on the ability of Hong Kongers with a British National (Overseas) passport to access their pensions. (10594)
- 23N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether any Afghan refugees were (a) placed in and (b) returned to bridging hotels in the period since September 2023. [Transferred] (10362)
- 24N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people from Afghanistan are living in bridging hotels.

  [Transferred] (10364)
- 25N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what is the (a) earliest date and (b) longest continuous period that anyone from Afghanistan has been accommodated in a bridging hotel. [Transferred] (10365)
- 26N Sarah Jones (Croydon Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when was the last (a) division level and (b) brigade level manoeuvre exercise in the field that was not a CAS exercise. (10654)
- 27N Sarah Jones (Croydon Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the headcount was of the (a) Intelligence Corps, (b) Parachute Regiment and (c) Royal Marine Commando Forces in each of the last eight years. (10655)
- 28N Sarah Jones (Croydon Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many people applied to join the (a) Intelligence Corps, (b) Parachute Regiment and (c) Royal Marine Commando Forces in each of the last eight years. (10658)
- 29N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when the Royal Air Force has engaged in military action in Yemen in each of the last 10 years; and for what reasons it has done so. (10671)
- 30N Zarah Sultana (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 19 January 2024 to Question 9950, how many incidents have been logged in its Tracker database of alleged instances of breaches or violations of International Humanitarian Law on the conduct of Israel in its military engagement in Gaza since October 2023. (10673)

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31N Stella Creasy (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the Answer of 9 May 2023 to Question 183405 on Prosecutions, how many people were prosecuted under the single justice procedure in each month of 2023 broken down by offence; and what the plea rates were for offences charged under the single justice procedure in each month of 2023. (10618)

## Questions for Answer on Thursday 25 January

- 1N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to help support the growth of cooperatives and social enterprises.

  [Transferred] (901151)
- 2N Alyn Smith (Stirling): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will encourage energy companies to reduce standing charges on (a) electricity and (b) gas. (10669)
- 3N **Mrs Flick Drummond** (Meon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to reduce the number of regulations applying to winemakers.

  [Transferred] (901134)
- 4N lan Byrne (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference his Department's consultation on Pavement parking: options for change, which closed on 22 November 2020, when he plans to publish his response to the consultation; and whether he plans to bring forward legislative proposals to prohibit pavement parking. (10685)
- 5N Liz Twist (Blaydon): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, pursuant to the Answer of 10 January 2024 to Question 7384 on Food and Agriculture Organisation, what steps his Department is taking to avoid conflicts of interest in the UK delegation; and if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of sending an official from his Department to the intergovernmental forum. (10651)
- 6N Liz Twist (Blaydon): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, pursuant to the Answer of 11 January 2024 to the Question 8096 on Tea: Production, how the mandate for the representatives the UK has selected to attend the UN FAO intergovernmental meeting on tea was developed; what their objectives will be for the meeting; and whether his Department has taken steps to incorporate the UK's commitments under (a) UN Sustainable Development Goal 8.7 and (b) other UN Sustainable Development Goals into these objectives.

- 7N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when he plans to respond to the letter sent by the hon.

  Member for Brentford and Isleworth to the Minister for Immigration on 7

  November 2023 regarding a visa application. (10623)
- 8N **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 19 January 2024 to Question 9932 on Military Bases: Heating, how many and what proportion of those incidents were resolved within 12 hours.
- 9N Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 19 January 2024 to Question 9932 on Military Bases: Heating, if he will provide a breakdown of figures for each month. (10664)
- 10N Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 19 January 2024 to Question 9932 on Military Bases: Heating, how many and what proportion of incidents were resolved within the requisite 12 hours. (10665)
- 11N Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 18 January 2024 to Question 9087 on Armed Forces: Recruitment. when the (a) Minister for Armed Forces and (b) Minister for Defence People and Families last met representatives of Capita to discuss armed forces recruitment.

## Questions for Answer on Friday 26 January

- 1N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, on what evidential basis the Office for Veterans Affairs said that there were no veteran rough sleepers as of Christmas 2023. (10591)
- 2N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how often the Office of Veterans' Affairs (a) collects and (b) analyses the number of veterans who are sleeping rough. (10592)
- 3N Dame Siobhain McDonagh (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to paragraphs 1.2 and 1.3 of the Government response to the Fifty-first Report of the Committee of Public Accounts of Session 2022-23 on Tackling Defra's ageing digital services, HC 737, published on 21 July 2023, whether his Department has shared the document on key lessons and success factors behind the progress it has made in addressing legacy IT with the Central Digital and Data Office. (10584)

- 4N **Dame Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many digital roles within his Department are vacant. (10585)
- 5N Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether she has made a recent assessment of the potential merits of introducing a cap on mid-contract price rises for broadband providers.

  (10670)
- 6N **Tonia Antoniazzi** (Gower): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the list of medical conditions which meet the criteria for a medical exemption certificate. (10653)
- 7N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when he plans to respond to the email of 9 January 2024 from the hon. Member for Sefton Central on an application for Indefinite Leave to Remain, case reference: BE8124. (10614)
- 8N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, How many war widows who lost their War Widow's Pension and did not benefit from changes on 31 March 1973 and 5 April 2005 have since been compensated by his Department. (10589)
- 9N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, If he will publish his Department's proposals to compensate war widows who lost their War Widow's Pension and did not benefit from changes on 31 March 1973 and 5 April 2005. (10590)
- 10N Dame Siobhain McDonagh (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 15 January 2024 to Question 8292 on Vodafone Group: Contracts, when his Department last made an assessment of the adequacy of its contracts with Vodafone; and for what reasons his Department reviewed those contracts. (10586)