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Questions tabled on Tuesday 23 January 2024

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Questions for Answer on Wednesday 24 January

Questions for Written Answer

- Peter Gibson (Darlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the Department for Education's press release entitled Major national drive to improve school attendance, published on 8 January 2024, whether she has made an assessment of the potential impact of this policy on children with long term conditions.

 [Transferred] (10915)
- 2 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many applications for new onshore wind farms have been submitted in the last year. [Transferred] (10899)
- Peter Gibson (Darlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to support Local Authorities with the (a) collection and (b) disposal of disposable vapes. [Transferred] (10923)
- 4 **Sir Robert Buckland** (South Swindon): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of adopting the Scottish Government's approach to applying digital imprints to election content posted by unregistered third parties. [Transferred] (10802)
- Mike Amesbury (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing the Adams Bend test in schools.

 [Transferred] (10901)
- Peter Gibson (Darlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to help tackle the sale of illegal vapes. [Transferred] (10922)

7 Allan Dorans (Ayr, Carrick and Cumnock): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent discussions he has had with the Financial Conduct Authority on the regulation of car insurance premiums.

[Transferred] (10912)

Questions for Answer on Thursday 25 January

Questions for Written Answer

1 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Attorney General, what targets her Department has set to help achieve the Government's commitments on net zero.

(11076)

- 2 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what targets his Department has set to help achieve the Government's commitments on net zero. (11070)
- 3 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she has had discussions with Ofcom on compensating people who have experienced delays receiving mail from Royal Mail. (11171)
- 4 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she has had discussions with Royal Mail on the adequacy of mail delivery in Slough constituency. (11172)
- Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of delayed (a) mail and (b) package deliveries on residents in Slough constituency. (11173)
- 6 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what enforcement action Ofcom has taken when Royal Mail has failed to meet its service delivery targets in each of the last five years. (11174)
- 7 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what delivery office-level information Royal Mail provides to Ofcom. (11175)
- 8 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent discussions she has had with Royal Mail on (a) delayed and (b) missed postal deliveries. (11176)
- 9 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of delayed post on residents in the Slough constituency. (11177)
- Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what discussions she has had with the Post Office of the potential impact of delayed post on residents in Slough constituency. (11178)

- 11 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent discussions she has had with Ofcom on Royal Mail's performance against its delivery service targets. (11179)
- Marion Fellows (Motherwell and Wishaw): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she is taking steps to support (a) the meat industry and (b) independent butchers with high energy costs. (11136)
- 13 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she has had discussions with Ofcom on its proposed consultation on potential options for the future of the universal postal service. (10976)
- Mark Logan (Bolton North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent assessment she has made of the potential impact of barriers to opening bank accounts in the UK faced by Japanese companies on the ability of those companies to expand in the UK.

 [R] (11220)
- Mark Logan (Bolton North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if her Department will open negotiations with the European Union on a no tariff charge for goods and imports. (11221)
- Grahame Morris (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what estimate she has made of the value of rail exports in (a) 2023, (b) 2024, (c) 2025 and (d) 2026.
- 17 **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will make an estimate of the value of (a) rail industry and (b) all exports in the last 12 months. (11057)
- 18 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what targets her Department has set to help achieve the Government's commitments on net zero. (11077)
- Philip Davies (Shipley): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what discussions he has had with the (a) Gambling Commission and (b) Financial Conduct Authority on potential proposals to regulate companies like Football Index.
- 20 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what targets her Department has set to help achieve the Government's commitments on net zero. (11078)
- Justin Tomlinson (North Swindon): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment she has made of potential impact of the UK Games Fund on (a) employment, (b) investment,(c) studio formation and (d) IP development. (11105)

- Ashley Dalton (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment she has made of the potential impact of (a) the requirement for maintained nursery schools to have at least one teacher with qualified teacher status and (b) other Ofsted requirements on the levels of Government support required for maintained nursery schools.
- 23 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what information her Department holds on the number of antisemitism incidents there have been on higher education campuses since 7 October 2023. (10974)
- 24 Mr Ranil Jayawardena (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the effectiveness of changes to SEND Regulations in 2014. (11150)
- 25 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make a comparative estimate of the number of children in the age range 9 months to 4 years old with the number of childcare places in each local authority area.
- 26 Seema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department has taken to help ensure that careers education, advice, information and guidance is compliant with section 42B of the Education Act 1997. (11122)
- 27 **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent estimate she has made of the number of career advisers working in schools. (11123)
- 28 Seema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department holds data on the number of T Level students who achieved a sustained positive destination in the 2022-23 academic year. (11124)
- Seema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent progress her Department has made on introducing T Levels in (a) hair, beauty and aesthetics, (b) craft and design, (c) media broadcast and production and (d) catering.
- 30 **Anthony Mangnall** (Totnes): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to support local authorities to reduce the time taken to complete education, health and care plans. (11212)
- 31 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what targets her Department has set to help achieve the Government's commitments on net zero. (11081)

- Priti Patel (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 8 January 2024 to Question 7553 on Apprentices: Taxation, what the process is for the reallocation of funds in apprenticeship accounts that have expired; and what the destination of those funds were in the latest period for which data is available.
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to promote student discipline in schools. (11003)
- 34 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to help ensure that teachers are protected from physical harm by students at school. (11004)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many teachers have reported physical abuse by pupils in the London Borough of Havering in each of the last three years. (11005)
- 36 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to ensure that artificial intelligence is not used for plagiarism by students in (a) schools and (b) universities. (11006)
- 37 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will provide self defence training to secondary school teachers. (11007)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of (a) primary and (b) secondary school provision in Romford constituency. (11015)
- 39 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the teacher Supply Model target for the 2024 entry into initial teacher training is, by subject; and whether that number has been recruited in a previous year. (11215)
- 40 **Philip Dunne** (Ludlow): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what policy recommendations her Department received from the energy efficiency taskforce. (11028)
- 41 **Philip Dunne** (Ludlow): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether she plans to publish outputs produced by the energy efficiency taskforce. (11029)
- Philip Dunne (Ludlow): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will have discussions with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on the potential impact of the work of the energy efficiency taskforce on the 2024 Budget.
- 43 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what data her Department holds on the cost of constraint payments as a result of bad weather in each year since 2010. (10975)

- Mrs Pauline Latham (Mid Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will make an estimate of the lifecycle carbon emissions per MWh for generating electricity by (a) burning (i) wood, (ii) coal and (iii) gas and (d) using nuclear energy. (11086)
- 45 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the oral contribution of the Minister for Energy Security and Net Zero of 16 January 2024, Official Report, column 679, if she will publish correspondence she has had with her counterparts in the devolved Administrations on the appointment of a new Chair to the Climate Change Committee.
- 46 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the draft Energy National Policy Statements, what assessment she has made of the environmental impact of extending the proposed Critical National Priority presumption to any low carbon energy infrastructure (a) onshore and (b) offshore, including (i) nuclear generation and (ii) nature gas fired generation which is carbon capture ready. (11049)
- Stephen Morgan (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of the introduction of quotas for domestic use of new North Sea (i) oil and (ii) gas.
- 48 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what targets her Department has set to help achieve the Government's commitments on net zero. (11079)
- John Penrose (Weston-super-Mare): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy
 Security and Net Zero, whether her Department plans to publish a call for evidence on fairness and affordability. (11038)
- John Penrose (Weston-super-Mare): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to page 13 of her Department's consultation response, Review of electricity market arrangements: summary of responses, published on 7 March 2023, what progress she has made on next steps. (11040)
- John Penrose (Weston-super-Mare): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment her Department has made of the impact of electricity levies on the uptake of (a) heat pumps and (b) other low carbon heating.

 (11041)
- 52 **Lloyd Russell-Moyle** (Brighton, Kemptown): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, pursuant to the Answer of 18 January 2024 to Question 9353 on Energy Charter Treaty, with which civil society stakeholders she has consulted as part of that review. (11165)

- 53 Andrew Selous (South West Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps her Department is taking to help improve the energy efficiency of private rented homes. (11018)
- 54 Andrew Selous (South West Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent estimate she had made of the number of energy efficiency measures that will be delivered through the ECO4 scheme by March 2026.
- Janet Daby (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when she plans to respond to the correspondence of (a) 1
 December 2023 and (b) 8 January 2024 from the hon. Member for Lewisham East, case reference JD39615.
- Dr Luke Evans (Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to help the veterinary sector process confirmation of neutering forms for XL bully breed owners before 1 February. (11216)
- Preet Kaur Gill (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to support disabled people who own assistance dogs which are (a) XL Bullies or (b) dogs which may be misidentified as XL Bullies.
- 58 Charlotte Nichols (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has had discussions with United Utilities on bill prices. (11217)
- 59 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what targets his Department has set to help achieve the Government's commitments on net zero. (11082)
- 60 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what funding his Department has provided for the maintenance of the River Rom in each of the last three years. (11011)
- 61 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate his Department has made on the number of beekeepers. (11116)
- 62 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how much funding his Department has provided to support farmers whose lands have been flooded in each of the last five years. (10981)
- 63 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what information his Department holds on the number of food banks (a) currently operating and (b) operating in 2010. (10982)
- 64 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent estimate his Department has made of the number of people in food poverty. (10983)

65 Daniel Zeichner (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of the resources provided to the Food Standards Agency to assess food safety applications.

(11130)

- Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what recent steps his Department has taken to help improve the living conditions in (a) local authority, (b) housing association and (c) private housing.
- 67 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what guidance his Department has issued to (a) local authority, (b) housing association and (c) private tenants on actions they can take to help reduce levels of damp in their homes.
- 68 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of overcrowding on levels of (a) damp and (b) mould in homes.

(11182)

- 69 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what discussions he has had with the social housing sector on the links between the prevalence of (a) damp and (b) mould and overcrowding. (11183)
- 70 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department has made a recent assessment of the adequacy of the powers available to Local Authorities to hold utility companies to account for defects left behind after excavation work on grassed areas and grass verges. (11161)
- 71 **Mr Ranil Jayawardena** (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what fiscal steps he is taking to help facilitate the entry of new lenders offering long-term fixed rate mortgages backed by institutional bonds to the market. (11153)
- 72 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what targets his Department has set to help achieve the Government's commitments on net zero. (11072)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
 Housing and Communities, if he will take steps to support Havering Council in
 efforts to enhance the River Rom's (a) environmental health, (b) maintenance of
 river-based infrastructure and (c) development of projects aimed at increasing the
 vibrancy of the River Rom as a community resource.

 (11002)
- 74 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
 Housing and Communities, what steps his Department is taking to support local
 markets. (11014)

- 75N Mohammad Yasin (Bedford): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
 Housing and Communities, if he will review the fairness of the eligibility criteria
 for the activation of the Storm Henk Flood Recovery Framework for people who
 live in lead local flood authorities areas where fewer than 50 properties were
 flooded during that storm.

 [Transferred] (10861)
- Preet Kaur Gill (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if she will provide guidance to local authorities on the maximum number of telegraph poles that can be erected in local areas per number of households. (11162)
- 77 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what targets her Department has set to help achieve the Government's commitments on net zero. (11080)
- 78 Alan Brown (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of trends in car insurance prices in the last 12 months. (11144)
- 79 Alan Brown (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has had discussions with car insurance providers on the potential impact of insurance premiums on the number of new drivers on the roads.

 (11145)
- 80 Alan Brown (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made on the potential impact of increased insurance premiums for young drivers on (a) affordability and (b) the increased risk of uninsured drivers. (11146)
- Alan Brown (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of reports that insurance premiums for 17 to 20-year-olds have risen by more than £1,000 since last year. (11147)
- Preet Kaur Gill (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to his Department's news story entitled New street works regime to clamp down on pothole pain, published on 31 March 2023, whether he has made a recent assessment of the effectiveness of the new street works regime.
- Preet Kaur Gill (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has held recent discussions with vehicle manufacturers on the adequacy of onboard security measures to prevent vehicle thefts. (11163)
- Mr Ranil Jayawardena (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the Answer of 3 July 2023 to Question 191368 on Motorways: Speed Limits, and the report entitled Evaluation of the National HGV Speed Limit Increase in England and Wales, Year 2 Interim Report, published in March 2019, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of each 1mph

- increase to the speed limit on (a) motorways and (b) dual carriageways on (i) levels of (A) productivity and (B) economic growth and (ii) the cost of transporting goods.

 (11152)
- Stephen Morgan (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what data his Department holds on the number of services p-coded by each train operating company in each of the last 12 months. (11191)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he is taking steps to support the recruitment and retention of train drivers. (11192)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he is taking steps to help ensure the adequacy of train driver numbers for the next (a) five, (b) 10 and (c) 25 years. (11193)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has had recent discussions with train operating companies on the adequacy of (a) staffing and (b) service levels. (11194)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent discussions he has had with Network Rail on its assessment of levels of track degradation over the next five years. (11196)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions he has had with Network Rail on recent point failures between London Paddington and Reading. (11197)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of recent trends in the number of point failures on the track between London Paddington and Reading. (11199)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has had recent discussions with Cheshire East Council on the potential merits of compensation for HS2-related costs. (11200)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what plans he has to help tackle congestion on the West Coast Main Line. (11202)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate he has made of the financial impact of cancelling HS2 Phase 2 on HS2 Phase 1. (11203)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of cancelling HS2 Phase 2 on future levels of road traffic between Birmingham and Manchester. (11204)

- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent assessment he has made of the potential impact of cancelling HS2 Phase 2 on rolling stock orders for HS2. (11205)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when he plans to update his Department's publication entitled Rail network enhancements pipeline. (11206)
- **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department was involved in the decision of LNER to introduce its Simpler Fares pilot scheme, as announced on 16 January 2024. (11052)
- **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate he has made of the change in the number of people travelling by passenger rail from 2024 to (a) 2030, (b) 2040 and (c) 2050. (11053)
- **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has made an estimate of the (a) proportion of the UK population that never or rarely uses the railway and (b) the revenue potential of that group. (11054)
- **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent estimate he has made of the (a) cost of and (b) timeframe for the re-signalling of Cambridge junction. (11055)
- **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a passenger rail growth target. (11058)
- **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the budget for rail enhancements in England and Wales between 2024 and 2029 is. (11059)
- 104 Charlotte Nichols (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will hold discussions with his international counterparts on the potential merits of implementing a zero emissions vehicle mandate in their own countries.

 (11218)
- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what targets his Department has set to help achieve the Government's commitments on net zero.

 (11083)
- 106 Alison McGovern (Wirral South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 23 January 2024 to Question 9806 on Fraud, for what reason his Department forecasts that fraudulent behaviour will rise by five per cent per year. (11093)
- 107 Alison McGovern (Wirral South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, who determines whether a paper presented to the Universal Credit Programme Board is a below the line item and therefore not automatically deposited in the Library after two years. (11094)

- 108 Alison McGovern (Wirral South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what information his Department holds on the number of households in receipt of the housing element of Universal Credit; how many of those households have rent that exceeds the local housing allowance rate; and whether he has made an estimate of the median gap between household rent and the local housing allowance in (a) England, (b) Scotland and (c) Wales for the most recent period for which data is available.
- 109 Alison McGovern (Wirral South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many households in the private rented sector are in receipt of the housing element of Universal Credit; of those households, how many have rents which exceed the local housing allowance rate; and what is the median gap between the rent and the local housing allowance broken down by the number of children in the household in (a) England, (b) Scotland and (c) Wales, for the most recent period for which data is available.
- 110 Alison McGovern (Wirral South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many households are in receipt of local housing allowance (LHA) in payment; of those households, how many and what proportion have rents which exceed the LHA; and what the median gap is between the rent and the LHA for those households also in receipt of (a) income support, (b) income-related employment support allowance and (c) income-related jobseeker's allowance in (i) England, (ii) Scotland and (iii) Wales, for the most recent period for which data is available.
- 111 Alison McGovern (Wirral South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many households in receipt of universal credit in the private rented sector with the housing element in payment have one or more members with limited capability for work and/or for work-related activity; of those households, how many and what proportion have rents that exceed the local housing allowance (LHA) rate; and what the median gap is between the rent and the LHA in (a) England, (b) Scotland and (c) Wales, in the most recent period for which data is available.
- 112 Alison McGovern (Wirral South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many households in the private rented sector there are in receipt of housing benefit in payment; of those households, how many and what proportion have rents which exceed the local housing allowance (LHA) rate; and what the median gap is between the rent and the LHA rate, for each broad rental market area in (a) England, (b) Scotland and (c) Wales, in the most recent period for which data is available.
- Alison McGovern (Wirral South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many households there are in the private rented sector in receipt of universal credit with the housing element in payment; of those households, how many and what proportion have rents which exceed the local housing allowance (LHA); and what the median gap is between the rent and the LHA, for each broad rental market area in (a) England, (b) Scotland and (c) Wales, for the most recent period for which data is available.

- 114 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what targets his Department has set to help achieve the Government's commitments on net zero. (11071)
- Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 23 January to Question 10306 on Cervical Cancer: Health Education, if she will make it her policy to provide smear tests for women aged 25 and younger who (a) request one and (b) are experiencing abnormalities.
- 116 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps is she taking to reduce the number of prostate cancer deaths.

 (11159)
- 117 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what information her Department holds on the number of people who have received organ transplants in South Holland and The Deepings constituency in each year since 2010. (10978)
- 118 **Ian Lavery** (Wansbeck): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what information her Department holds on the number of pharmacies contracted to be open for 100 hours a week in Northumberland in 2019. (11117)
- 119 Ian Lavery (Wansbeck): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what information her Department holds on the number of pharmacies in Northumberland that were contracted to be open for 100 hours a week on 23 January 2024.
- 120 **Ian Lavery** (Wansbeck): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what information her Department holds on the number of pharmacies open in Northumberland in 2019. (11119)
- 121 Ian Lavery (Wansbeck): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what information her Department holds on the number of pharmacies in Northumberland. (11120)
- 122 Andrew Lewer (Northampton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to support voluntary sector providers of mental health services. (11207)
- 123 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of extending the eligibility criteria for Paxlovid to include people who are full-time carers to mitigate the risk of long covid. (11045)
- 124 **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, which Minister in her Department is responsible for delivery of (a) cancer screening programmes and (b) the NHS public health Section 7A agreement. (11063)

- **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Answer of 30 June 2024 to Question 190710 on Cancer: Screening, if she will publish (a) the NHS breast cancer screening uptake improvement plan and (b) an update on the (i) pilot and (ii) testing conducted. (11066)
- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what targets her Department has set to help achieve the Government's commitments on net zero. (11068)
- **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will take steps to ensure that funding provided by her Department for research into dementia is allocated on the basis of whether people undertaking that research reflect the diversity of people affected by that illness.
- **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether it is her Department's policy to ban the promotion and advertisement of vaping products (a) in sports venues and (b) on sports kits. (11133)
- **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether the NHS has sufficient doses of measles vaccines. (11008)
- **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help improve the uptake of the HPV vaccine in schools. (11111)
- **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether her Department has had recent discussions with the Department of Health in Northern Ireland on the installation of community diagnostic centres in Strangford constituency. (11112)
- **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to increase the number of radiologists in cancer centres. (11137)
- 133 Karin Smyth (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many radiology appointments were delayed due to staff shortages in each of the last 12 months.

 (11138)
- 134 Karin Smyth (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will make an estimate of the number of diagnostic tests that were carried out at community diagnostic centres since October 2021. (11139)
- **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, What discussions she has had with (a) NHS England and (b) Integrated care boards on using Community Diagnostic Centres to reduce health inequalities. (11140)
- 136 Karin Smyth (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of staffing levels in Community Diagnostic Centres. (11141)

Sammy Wilson (East Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of lowering the legal limits on nitrites in processed meat products on public health.

(11042)

- 138 Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent steps he has taken to help
 prevent an escalation of conflict in the Middle East. (11185)
- **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has had recent discussions with international counterparts on a strategy to reduce debt in low-income countries.

 (11186)
- **Stephen Crabb** (Preseli Pembrokeshire): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, with reference to the Answer of 24 October 2023 to Question 203456 on France: Foreign Relations, what recent steps his Department has taken to prepare for the commemoration of the 120th anniversary of the signing of the Entente Cordiale with France. (11032)
- **Rosie Duffield** (Canterbury): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has had recent discussions with his international counterparts on the treatment of the Hazara community in Afghanistan. (11166)
- **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will ask the UN Secretary General to investigate (a) how many allegations of human rights abuses have been made to the Moroccan National Human Rights Council in Western Sahara and (b) whether those allegations have been investigated. (11222)
- **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will make representations to
 the UN Security Council to press for the release of Saharawi civilian prisoners in
 Moroccan prisons.

 (11223)
- **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has provided funding to

 Saharawi human rights defenders in Western Sahara in the last five years. (11224)
- **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what information his Department holds on the number of (a) Moroccan and (b) Saharawi soldiers that have died since the Moroccan military incursion into Guerguerat. (11219)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has made an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of advice he has received on Israel's compliance with international law. (11232)

- 147 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Office, what targets his Department has set to
 help achieve the Government's commitments on net zero. (11069)
- 148 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent discussions he has had with
 his counterparts in the Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States on the British
 Virgin Islands.

 (11009)
- 149 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Office, if he plans to visit the British Virgin

 Islands within the next six months. (11010)
- 150 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment he has made of the
 implications for his policies of the decision by (a) Guernsey, (b) Jersey and (c) the
 Isle of Man to withdraw the commitment to allow public access to registers of
 company beneficial ownership.
- 151 Andrew Selous (South West Bedfordshire): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment he has made of the autonomy of Hong Kong's (a) economic, (b) monetary and (c) financial systems. (11017)
- 152 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment he has made of the situation in Yemen.

 (11113)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what (a) information his Department holds on and (b) steps his Department is taking to help tackle the (i) abduction and (ii) forced conversion of Christian girls and women in Pakistan.
- 154 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent discussions he has had with his counterpart in Saudi Arabia on the (a) adequacy of the trial and (b) use of the death penalty in the case of (i) Abdullah al-Derazi and (ii) Jalal Labbad in that country. (11115)
- 155 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many asylum seekers were employed in roles on the shortage occupation list in 2023. (10977)
- 156 Mr Ranil Jayawardena (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent steps the (a) police and (b) National Crime Agency have taken to tackle county lines operations in (i) Hampshire and (ii) the UK.
- 157 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the contribution by the Minister for Immigration to the debate on Safe Asylum Routes: Afghan Refugees of 17 October 2023,

- official report, column 54WH, what progress he has made with Cabinet colleagues on reuniting Afghans evacuated under Operation Pitting in August 2021 with family members.

 (11043)
- 158 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the oral contribution of the Minister for Crime, Policing and Fire during the Seventh sitting of the Public Bill Committee on the Criminal Justice Bill on Tuesday 16 January 2024, Official Report, column 214, which facial recognition database he would expect the police to use when checking a photograph of somebody committing a crime; and which databases the police have access to for facial recognition checks.
- 159 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many refugee children were wrongly assessed to be adults by the Home Office between January 2022 and June 2023; and if he will make an assessment of the potential implications for his Department's policies of the report by the Refugee Council together with Helen Bamber Foundation and Humans for Rights Network entitled Forced Adulthood, published on 23 January 2024. (11046)
- 160 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of trends in the number of firefighters on average response times to fire and rescue-related emergency calls.

 (11188)
- 161 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of placing a statutory duty on fire and rescue services to plan and respond to flooding. (11189)
- 162 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of the most recent funding settlement for fire and rescue services on (a) recruitment and (b) retention of firefighters. (11190)
- 163 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what targets his Department has set to help achieve the Government's commitments on net zero. (11067)
- 164 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when the Victims of Terrorism Unit (a) completed its review into the support package provided to victims of terrorism and (b) made a draft of its findings available to Ministers; and what plans his Department has to publish the outcomes of that review.
- 165 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home

 Department, what the cost to the public purse was to process fraud related crimes
 in each year since 2015. (11016)

- 166 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much has been paid in compensation in relation to allegations against members of the British Army Training Unit Kenya relating to (a) sexual abuse or violence and (b) other matters between 2000 and 2024. (11037)
- 167 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 48 of the Defence Equipment & Support Annual Report and Accounts 2022-23, what weakness he has identified in delivery management oversight from staff working remotely.

 (10984)
- 168 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 48 of the Defence Equipment & Support Annual Report and Accounts 2022-23, what the conclusions of the Training Needs Analysis were.

(10985)

- Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 48 of the Defence Equipment & Support Annual Report and Accounts 2022-23, whether he has established high-level environmental objectives and targets. (10986)
- 170 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 49 of the Defence Equipment & Support Annual Report and Accounts 2022-23, when he plans that the design phase of solar installation for four of his Department's sites will be completed. (10987)
- 171 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 50 of the Defence Equipment & Support Annual Report and Accounts 2022-23, what steps the DE&S Digital team have taken to deliver (a) internal information assurance and (b) the application of defence information assurance mechanisms across the supply chain. (10993)
- 172 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 50 of the Defence Equipment & Support Annual Report and Accounts 2022-23, how many people work in the Integrated Technical Services team.
- 173 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 51 of the Defence Equipment & Support Annual Report and Accounts 2022-23, how many (a) mobile sensor and (b) communication technologies have been deployed.

 (10995)
- 174 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 51 of the Defence Equipment & Support Annual Report and Accounts 2022-23, when he plans that the new IT system PSyA are developing will be completed. (10996)
- 175 **Sarah Jones** (Croydon Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much ammunition of each ammunition type has been stolen in each year since 2015.

- 176 Sarah Jones (Croydon Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much military equipment of each equipment type has been (a) lost and (b) stolen in each year since 2015.
- 177 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what targets his Department has set to help achieve the Government's commitments on net zero.

 (11084)
- 178 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what information his Department holds on the number and proportion of prisoners with addiction-related health issues who did not engage in treatment in prison in 2022. (11131)
- 179 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether his Department is taking steps with the Department of Health and Social Care to provide (a) alcohol and (b) drug treatment to people upon their release from prison.
- 180 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether he is taking steps to review sentencing guidelines for fly-tipping. (11013)
- 181 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of epilepsy (a) awareness and (b) first aid training for prison staff. (11156)
- 182 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many people in prison have epilepsy. (11157)
- 183 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many people with epilepsy have died in prison (a) from all causes and (b) as a direct result of their epilepsy in the last ten years. (11158)
- 184 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what targets his Department has set to help achieve the Government's commitments on net zero. (11075)
- 185 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, what targets his Department has set to help achieve the Government's commitments on net zero. (11073)
- 186 Alan Brown (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of decreasing insurance premium tax for car insurance. (11148)
- 187 Alan Brown (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much insurance premium tax was collected from car insurance in each year since 2010. (11149)

- 188 **Stephen Crabb** (Preseli Pembrokeshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the level of draught relief for (a) beer and (b) cider. (11031)
- 189 Janet Daby (Lewisham East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, when she plans to respond to the correspondence of (a) 24 November 2023 and (b) 8 January 2024 from the hon. Member for Lewisham East, case reference JD38220.

(11210)

- 190 Dame Margaret Hodge (Barking): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what information his Department holds on the number of active limited partnerships there were in each year since 2017. (10973)
- 191 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what targets his Department has set to help achieve the Government's commitments on net zero.

 (11085)
- 192 **John Penrose** (Weston-super-Mare): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of reducing levies on energy bills for households. (11039)
- 193 Andrew Selous (South West Bedfordshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of reducing stamp duty for homes with higher energy efficiency. (11020)
- 194 Andrew Selous (South West Bedfordshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of offering stamp duty rebates to households that upgrade their EPC rating within the first two years of home ownership.

 (11021)
- 195 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of increasing the Seed Enterprise Investment Scheme limit to £500,000 for eligible companies. (11167)
- 196 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the impact of the Seed Enterprise Investment Scheme on (a) small businesses, (b) investment and (c) job creation. (11168)
- 197NNadia Whittome (Nottingham East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a price cap on insurance premiums for elderly drivers.

 [Transferred] (10963)
- 198 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, what targets his Department has set to help achieve the Government's commitments on net zero. (11074)

Questions for Answer on Friday 26 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N Dan Jarvis (Barnsley Central): To ask the Attorney General, whether her Department has had recent discussions with the Law Society on the management of Family Protection Trusts by firms of solicitors. (11121)
- 2N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Attorney General, pursuant to the Answer of 16 January 2023 to Question 9197 on Attorney General: Written Questions, for what reason her Department has been unable to answer the Questions within the usual time period. (11027)
- 3N Seema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what proportion of apprentices who did not complete an apprenticeship that they had started completed the apprenticeship exit survey in the 2022-2023 academic year. (11125)
- 4N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many and what proportion of respondents to the apprentice exit survey reported that financial issues contributed to them not finishing an apprenticeship in the 2022-23 academic year. (11128)
- 5N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of supporting places of worship with high electricity and gas costs. (11154)
- 6N Liz Saville Roberts (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether she has made a recent assessment of the impact of rising (a) electricity and (b) gas prices on places of worship. (11155)
- 7N Stella Creasy (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the oral contribution of 19 January 2024 by the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs on Border Target Operating Model: Health Certificates and SMEs, Official Report column 1216, what the common user charge for imports into the UK will be; and when he plans to apply it.
- 8N Stella Creasy (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the oral contribution of the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State of 19 January 2024 in the debate on Border Target Operating Model: Health Certificates and SMEs, Official Report, column 1214, what his latest estimate is of the date by which the single trade window will be operational.
- 9N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate he has made of the potential impact of the Border Target Operating Model on food price inflation in (a) 2024, (b) 2025 and (c) 2026.

- 10N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the Border Target Operating Model on levels of food supply in (a) 2024, (b) 2025 and (c) 2026.
- 11N **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what progress has been made on the Marine Spatial Prioritisation programme. (11184)
- 12N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when he plans to publish the Greening Government Commitments Annual Reports for (a) April 2021 to March 2022 and (b) April 2022 to March 2023. (11022)
- 13N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential implications for his Department's policies of the report entitled Progress in improving the natural environment in England 2022 to 2023 published by the Office for Environmental Protection on 17 January 2024.
- 14N **Sir Charles Walker** (Broxbourne): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of increased culling of wild deer on the capacity of the food processing sector.

 [R] (11023)
- 15N **Sir Charles Walker** (Broxbourne): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will take steps in his Department's forthcoming national deer management strategy to help ensure the adequacy of (a) capacity to process deer carcasses if culling levels increase and (b) the supply of venison to the (i) private and (ii) public sector in the next five years.
- 16N Angela Rayner (Ashton-under-Lyne): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how much of the Shared Prosperity Fund has been allocated; and if he will publish a list of all projects that have received money from the fund since its inception. (11129)
- 17N **Jonathan Edwards** (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what her planned timetable is for the Project Gigabit procurements for hard to reach communities in Wales. (11050)
- 18N **Jo Stevens** (Cardiff Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of of 15 January 2024 to Question 9001 on Wales Rail Board, what (a) rail infrastructure improvements and (b) investments he Welsh Rail Board has recommended since March 2022.
- 19N Dame Karen Bradley (Staffordshire Moorlands): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when funding for the Integrated Health Care Hubs in North Staffordshire will be made available to the Integrated care board in North Staffordshire.

- 20N **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made an estimate of the number of community diagnostic centres that have bone densitometry scanning facilities. (11089)
- 21N **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what her planned timetable is for the commencement of outstanding building works on hospitals under the Hospitals Transformation Programme. (11034)
- 22N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether her Department is taking to steps to use (a) screening and (b) enhanced testing to increase early diagnosis rates for prostate cancer. (11061)
- 23N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Answer of 29 November 2022 to Question 94900 on Breast Cancer: Screening, what progress has been made on a new breast screening IT system.
- 24N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent steps she has taken to implement the recommendations of Sir Mike Richards' report entitled the Independent review of adult screening programmes in England, published in October 2019. (11064)
- 25N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Answer of 15 September 2023 to Question 198696 on Breast Cancer: Screening, what national evaluative projects have been commissioned; and what are the timelines for their delivery. (11065)
- 26N Karin Smyth (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to her Department's press release entitled Digital pathology to improve cancer screening and save lives, published on 5 January 2024, what additional training will be given to pathologists working to enable the quick uptake of new technology. (11142)
- 27N Karin Smyth (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of patients who received an urgent GP referral for a suspected cancer in the last six months have (a) been diagnosed with cancer and (b) received confirmation that cancer has not been detected within 28 days of their referral.
- 28N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment he has made of the
 integrity of the democratic process for the 2023 presidential elections in Egypt. (11214)
- 29N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether his Department made an assessment before 2023 of the potential impact of the introduction of the Electronic Travel Authorisation

- (ETA) on the number of personnel required to carry out checks in the event that the ETA did necessitate checks at the border between Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland. (10998)
- 30N **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps his Department is taking to help reduce fire and rescue service response times.
- 31N **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether his Department is taking steps to help protect firefighters from harmful fire contaminants. (11091)
- 32N **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps he is taking to increase crewing levels for fire and rescue services. (11092)
- 33N **Alistair Strathern** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what his Department's average processing time for reaching a decision on a naturalisation application was in each of the last five years. (11228)
- 34N **Alistair Strathern** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps he is taking to reduce processing times for decisions on the naturalisation of children. (11229)
- 35N **Alistair Strathern** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the net migration measures announced in December 2023, whether changes to the minimum income thresholds will apply to people who are already on the 10 year route to settlement. (11230)
- 36N Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many days did each of the Border Force's (a) five cutters and (b) six coastal patrol vessels spend (i) out of service due to scheduled repair and maintenance and (ii) on active duty supporting small boat operations in the Dover straits in 2023.
- 37N Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many days did at least one of the Border Force's (a) five cutters and (b) six coastal patrol vessels spend on active duty supporting small boats operations in the Dover Straits. (11026)
- 38N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the hon. Member for Broxbourne, representing the House of Commons Commission, how much has been spent on traffic marshals in the last six months. (11000)
- 39N Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 1 December 2023 to Question 3438 on Armed Forces Compensation Scheme: Pain, when the Armed Forces Compensation Scheme started to recognise both primary and secondary chronic pain as a condition of itself for which a separate award for injury could be made. (10988)

- 40N Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 1 December 2023 to Question 3438 on Armed Forces Compensation Scheme: Pain,, whether the tariff system within the Armed Forces Compensation Scheme allows for a separate award to be made for (a) chronic neuropathic pain, (b) chronic secondary visceral pain, (c) chronic secondary musculoskeletal pain, (d) chronic secondary headache or orofacial pain, (e) chronic postsurgical or posttraumatic pain and (f) chronic cancer-related pain where the initial injury is attributable to service but is recognised as disproportional or no longer attached to that initial injury.
- 41N Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the (a) budget and (b) spending was of the Independent Review into the service and experience of LGBT veterans who served prior to 2000. (10990)
- 42N Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the (a) budget and (b) spending was of the Independent Review of UK Government Welfare Services for Veterans. (10991)
- 43N Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the (a) budget and (b) spending was of the Independent review of UK Armed Forces incentivisation. (10992)
- 44N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 17 January 2024 to Question 8666 on Navy: Officers, how many personnel in the Royal Navy held the rank of (a) Vice Admiral, (b) Rear Admiral and (c) Admiral in (i) 2022, (ii) 2021, (iii) 2019 and (iv) 2018.
- 45N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many and what proportion of Royal Navy sailors are available for time at sea.

 (10980)
- 46N **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what his Department's planned timescale is for launching the procurement for the wideband satellite system element of the Skynet 6 programme. (11001)
- 47N **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has made an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of reports of North Korea providing military support to Russia. (11036)
- 48N Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 09 January 2023 to Question 113208 on Military Bases: Heating, which of the bases listed fall under the Future Defence Infrastructure Services Built Estate contract for (a) the South West, (b) Central, (c) the South East and (d) any other regions.
- 49N Janet Daby (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the Answer of 8 January 2024 to Question 7656 on Aiding and Abetting: Convictions, what his planned timetable is for completing the Common Platform Programme. (11209)

- 50N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, if he will hold discussions with (a) his Irish counterpart and (b) the Chief Constable of the Police Service of Northern Ireland on whether steps were taken to question Jimmy Dunlop about the Claudy bombings of 31 July 1972 prior to his death.
- 51N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what the cost to the public purse was of the (a) Human Rights Commission and (b) Equality Commission in each of the last ten years. (10999)
- 52N Daniel Kawczynski (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment has been made of the potential impact of research and development (R&D) tax relief claims being disallowed by HMRC on (a) the level of R&D being undertaken by individual companies and (b) retention of R&D companies in the UK.
- 53N **Jo Stevens** (Cardiff Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, how much and what proportion of the £100 million fund overseen by the Tata Steel/Port Talbot Transition Board has been spent. (11135)

Questions for Answer on Monday 29 January

Questions for Written Answer

- Julie Elliott (Sunderland Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, pursuant to the Answer of 22 January 2024 to Question 10161 on Future of Women's Football Review, whether she plans to chair all further meetings of the implementation group. (11107)
- 2N **Julie Elliott** (Sunderland Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, pursuant to the Answer of 22 January 2024 to Question 10161 on Future of Women's Football Review, if she will list who has (a) been invited and (b) accepted invitations to join the implementation group. (11108)
- Julie Elliott (Sunderland Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture,
 Media and Sport, pursuant to the Answer of 22 January 2024 to Question
 10161 on Future of Women's Football Review, what assessment she has made
 of the adequacy of the (a) transparency and (b) accountability arrangements
 for the implementation group in the context of its reporting to (i) Ministers, (ii)
 Parliament and (iii) the Culture Media and Sports Select Committee. (11109)
- 4N **Julie Elliott** (Sunderland Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, pursuant to the Answer of 22 January 2024 to Question 10161 on Future of Women's Football Review, if she will list all future meeting dates of the implementation group.

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- 5N Seema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, which colleges provide T Level courses; and which T Level courses each college provides. (11126)
- 6N Sarah Green (Chesham and Amersham): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, when he plans to respond to the report commissioned by his Department entitled The impact of a change in the maximum park home sale commission, published in June 2022. (11226)
- 7N **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent discussions he has had with Network Rail on track faults on the Great Western Main Line. (11195)
- 8N **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent discussions he has had with train operating companies on Wi-Fi on trains.
- 9N **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when he last met with the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen to discuss industrial action on railways. (11201)

Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Education

- 1 **Liz Twist** (Blaydon): What steps she is taking to improve support for children with special educational needs and disabilities. (901183)
- 2 **Joanna Cherry** (Edinburgh South West): What assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of changes to visa fees and conditions on the number of applications for postgraduate research. (901184)
- 3 Andrew Gwynne (Denton and Reddish): What steps she is taking to tackle persistent pupil absence in schools. (901185)
- 4 Florence Eshalomi (Vauxhall): What steps she is taking to support schools with decreasing pupil rolls. (901186)
- 5 **Jill Mortimer** (Hartlepool): What steps her Department is taking to increase school attendance. (901187)
- 6 **Ashley Dalton** (West Lancashire): What steps she is taking to improve support for children with special educational needs and disabilities. (901188)
- 7 **Mr Laurence Robertson** (Tewkesbury): What recent estimate she has made of the number of school places available for pupils with special educational needs in Gloucestershire. (901189)

- Patricia Gibson (North Ayrshire and Arran): Whether she has had recent discussions with her counterparts in the devolved Administrations on the potential merits of providing additional financial support for school pupils in the context of increases in the cost of living.
 (901190)
- **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): What steps she is taking to improve early years education. (901191)
- **Lloyd Russell-Moyle** (Brighton, Kemptown): What steps her Department is taking to increase the availability of mental health support in secondary schools. (901192)
- 11 Janet Daby (Lewisham East): What steps she is taking to improve support for children with special educational needs and disabilities. (901193)
- **Rachel Hopkins** (Luton South): What steps she is taking to improve support for children with special educational needs and disabilities. (901194)
- **Debbie Abrahams** (Oldham East and Saddleworth): What steps she is taking to improve support for children with special educational needs and disabilities. (901195)
- **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): What steps she is taking to increase apprenticeship starts in SMEs. (901196)
- **Mr Louie French** (Old Bexley and Sidcup): What steps her Department is taking to encourage the take-up of degree-level apprenticeships. (901197)
- Andrew Selous (South West Bedfordshire): What steps she is taking to increase the funding allocated to the f40 local education authorities. (901198)
- **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): What steps she is taking to improve support for children with special educational needs and disabilities. (901199)
- **Stephen Hammond** (Wimbledon): What steps her Department is taking to increase school attendance. (901200)
- **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): What steps her Department is taking to tackle antisemitism in schools. (901201)
- **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): What steps she is taking to tackle persistent pupil absence in schools. (901202)
- **Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck** (South Shields): What steps she is taking to improve support for children with special educational needs and disabilities. (901203)
- **Chris Stephens** (Glasgow South West): What assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of changes to visa fees and conditions on the number of applications for postgraduate research. (901204)
- **Mr Rob Roberts** (Delyn): What recent assessment she has made of trends in the level of PISA test scores. (901205)
- 24 Mark Logan (Bolton North East): What progress her Department has made on removing reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete from the school estate. (901206)

25 **Dr Jamie Wallis** (Bridgend): What steps her Department is taking to encourage further and higher education providers to work with businesses to help meet local skills needs.

(901207)

Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Education

Emma Hardy (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): If she will make a statement on her departmental responsibilities.	(901208)
Anna Firth (Southend West):	(901209)
Mr Barry Sheerman (Huddersfield):	(901210)
Chi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central):	(901211)
Paul Blomfield (Sheffield Central):	(901212)
Michael Fabricant (Lichfield):	(901213)
Sir Jeremy Quin (Horsham):	(901214)
lan Byrne (Liverpool, West Derby):	(901215)
Wera Hobhouse (Bath):	(901216)
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- 1N Paula Barker (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his Department's policies of the Israeli government's policy on a two-state solution. (11225)
- 2N lan Murray (Edinburgh South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate he has made of the total revenue raised via the apprenticeship levy from businesses in Scotland for each of the last five years. (11051)

Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Wales

1 **Carolyn Harris** (Swansea East): What recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the cost of living in Wales. (901218)

- **Stephen Doughty** (Cardiff South and Penarth): What recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the adequacy of the energy mix in Wales. (901219)
- **Dr James Davies** (Vale of Clwyd): Whether he has had discussions with the Welsh Government on the introduction of a 20mph speed limit on residential roads and pedestrian streets in Wales. (901220)
- 4 Wayne David (Caerphilly): What recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the cost of living in Wales. (901221)
- **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): What recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the adequacy of rail infrastructure in Wales. (901222)
- **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): Whether he has had recent discussions with the Welsh Government on potential road user charging in Wales. (901223)
- **Mr Rob Roberts** (Delyn): What recent discussions he has had with the First Minister of Wales on the adequacy of the operation of the devolution settlement. (901224)
- 8 Chris Elmore (Ogmore): What recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the future of the steelmaking industry in Wales. (901225)
- 9 Alan Brown (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): What recent assessment he has made of the strength of the Union in Wales. (901226)
- **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): Whether he has had discussions with the Welsh Government on the introduction of a 20mph speed limit on residential roads and pedestrian streets in Wales. (901227)
- **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): What recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the future of the steelmaking industry in Wales. (901228)
- **Chris Evans** (Islwyn): What recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the cost of living in Wales. (901229)
- **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): What discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on supporting victims of crime in Wales. (901230)
- 14 Anna McMorrin (Cardiff North): What recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the adequacy of the energy mix in Wales. (901231)
- **Robin Millar** (Aberconwy): What discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the potential impact of levelling-up funding on Welsh communities. (901232)