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Questions for Answer on Tuesday 20 February

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Sir Paul Beresford** (Mole Valley): To ask the Attorney General, how many prosecutions under section 44 of the Serious Crime Act 2007 there have been in each of the last two years; and how many and what proportion of those cases involved a child being encouraged to commit an offence. (13855)
- 2 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Attorney General, how many posts there are for (a) press, (b) media and (c) other communications staff in her Department; and what the salary band is for each post. (14020)
- 3 **Andrew Bridgen** (North West Leicestershire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what discussions he has had with the Scottish Government on how goods entering the mainland UK from Northern Ireland will be differentiated from goods entering from the EU at Cairnryan. (14082)
- 4 **Andrew Bridgen** (North West Leicestershire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps he is taking to ensure that goods entering the mainland UK from Northern Ireland will be differentiated from goods entering from the EU. (14085)
- 5 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the Statement on government's appointment of Professor Sir Jonathan Montgomery as compensation adviser, published by the Haemophilia Society on 8 February 2024, whether his Department consulted people affected by the infected blood scandal before that appointment. (14435)

- 6 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the Statement on government's appointment of Professor Sir Jonathan Montgomery as compensation adviser, published by the Haemophilia Society on 8 February 2024, if he will publish the appointment process for that appointment. (14436)
- 7 **Martyn Day** (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what conflict of interest risk assessment was made regarding the appointment of Professor Sir Jonathan Montgomery as Chair of the group of clinical, legal and social care experts to advise the Cabinet Office on detailed technical considerations of responding to the Infected Blood Inquiry's recommendations on compensation. (14446)
- 8 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many posts there are for (a) press, (b) media and (c) other communications staff in his Department; and what the salary band is for each post. (14025)
- 9 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps his Department takes to support civil servants who are returning to work after maternity leave. (13894)
- 10 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the Government (a) is taking steps to ensure the security of genetic data of UK citizens and (b) has raised potential concerns relating to Chinese genomics companies as part of the US-UK Strategic Dialogue on Biological Security. (14260)
- 11 **Mr Ben Bradshaw** (Exeter): To ask the Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, what processes there are for complaints against senior staff of the National Church Institutions. (13865)
- 12 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she is taking steps to enhance due diligence procedures for individuals establishing limited companies. (14249)
- 13 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether her Department plans to implement financial safeguards to prevent individuals who have previously mismanaged businesses from establishing limited companies. (14250)
- 14 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps her Department is taking to help support the warehouse industry in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London. (14404)
- 15 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will make an assessment of the implications for her policy on arms exports to Israel of the press notice by Amnesty International entitled Israel/OPT: New evidence of unlawful Israeli attacks in Gaza causing mass civilian casualties amid real risk of genocide, published on 12 February 2024. (13982)

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- 16 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will take legislative steps to require Fujitsu to compensate the sub-postmasters impacted by the Horizon IT System. (14183)
- 17 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will make it her policy to allow water customers to have a meter removed from their property. (14360)
- 18 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many posts there are for (a) press, (b) media and (c) other communications staff in her Department; and what the salary band is for each post. (14024)
- 19 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she has plans to visit (a) Adelaide, (b) Melbourne, and (c) Hobart in the next nine months. (13917)
- 20 **Craig Whittaker** (Calder Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether additional support will be provided for Trading Standards to enforce the proposed generational ban on tobacco sales. (13994)
- 21 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what progress her Department has made on establishing an independent regulator for football. (14282)
- 22 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, how much her Department has spent on support for (a) Rugby Union and (b) Rugby League clubs in each year since 1 March 2020. (14300)
- 23 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, how much her Department has spent on support for grassroots amateur Rugby League clubs since 5 March 2021. (14301)
- 24 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to support the future sustainability of Rugby League. (14302)
- 25 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department has appointed independent advisors to help the Department's work on the future sustainability of Rugby League. (14303)
- 26 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, how much the Arts Council has spent in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London (i) in each year of this Parliament and (ii) since 2010. (14405)
- 27 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, how many posts there are for (a) press, (b) media and (c) other communications staff in her Department; and what the salary band is for each post. (14018)

- 28 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department plans to take steps to support the television and film industry in the context of its recovery from a period of production downturn. (14262)
- 29 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if her Department will make an assessment of the impact of the period of production downturn on the television and film industry in the UK. (14263)
- 30 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of offering financial support to freelance employees within the television and film industry during the period of production downturn. (14264)
- 31 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of the rise in the cost of living on (a) the television and film industry and (b) freelance employees within that industry. (14265)
- 32 **Justin Tomlinson** (North Swindon): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what grant funding is available to help support training in small and medium-sized enterprises in the video games development sector. (14059)
- 33 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many service sector apprenticeships were available in each of the last 12 months. (14286)
- 34 **Sir Robert Buckland** (South Swindon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of the withdrawal of CPLA-linked funding in British universities on local economies. (14062)
- 35 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many and what proportion of children with cerebral palsy have been assigned education, health and care plans in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London. (14406)
- 36 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many and what proportion of schools in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London received school improvement grants in (i) 2010-2017 and (ii) 2017-2023; how many grants were received in each period; and what the total amount for each school was in each period. (14407)
- 37 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether training is being developed for (a) teachers and (b) other school staff on the needs of transgender pupils. (14143)
- 38 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what resources will be provided to schools for the implementation of guidance on transgender pupils. (14144)

- 39 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of the timetable for publication of guidance for schools on transgender pupils on student welfare. (14145)
- 40 **Mrs Helen Grant** (Maidstone and The Weald): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department has made a recent assessment of the potential merits of making mental health first aid a compulsory component of teacher training. (14027)
- 41 **Jonathan Gullis** (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what progress her Department has made on ensuring that every school in (a) Stoke-on-Trent, (b) Kidsgrove and (c) Talke has a defibrillator. (14219)
- 42 **Jonathan Gullis** (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made a recent assessment of the financial impact of contracts with Transform Schools (Stoke) Limited on existing school budgets. (14221)
- 43 **Jonathan Gullis** (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, which schools in Stoke-on-Trent were built under a private finance initiative (PFI) contract with Transform Schools (Stoke) Limited. (14222)
- 44 **Jonathan Gullis** (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much funding the Government has given to (a) schools in Stoke-on-Trent and (b) Transform Schools (Stoke) Ltd in relation to the PFI contract between Stoke-on-Trent City Council and Transform Schools (Stoke) Ltd in each of the last 10 years. (14348)
- 45 **Jonathan Gullis** (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, which schools in Stoke-on-Trent are included in the PFI contract with Transform Schools (Stoke) Ltd. (14349)
- 46 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much has been spent on translation services in schools from English to (a) Polish, (b) Arabic, (c) Urdu, (d) Panjabi and (e) Romanian in each of the last five years. (13870)
- 47 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, which Minister in her Department is responsible for the delivery of the Cadet Expansion Programme. (13882)
- 48 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what her Department's annual budget for the Cadet Expansion Programme was for for each year since 2010. (13883)
- 49 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, to ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many posts there are for (a) press, (b) media and (c) other communications staff in her Department; and what the salary band is for each post. (14026)

- 50 **Ian Paisley** (North Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of allowing multi-academy trusts to be registered as charities rather than exempt charities. (14075)
- 51 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she has taken to help ensure the safety of (a) the Jewish chaplain and (b) Jewish staff and students at the University of Leeds. (14034)
- 52 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she has taken to help ensure the safety of Jewish chaplains at universities in England. (14035)
- 53 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made an estimate of the number of (a) elements of school estates currently in use and (b) open schools containing at least one such element which were constructed using the block and beam method of concrete construction in (i) each local authority area and (ii) England. (14036)
- 54 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has had reason to revise her (a) assessment of the safety of the block and beam method, (b) assessment of the safe operating life of the block and beam method and (c) advice to schools where the block and beam method was used as part of the construction method for any part of the building since 25 October 2022. (14037)
- 55 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has had reason to revise her (a) assessment of the safety of High Alumina Cement (HAC), (b) assessment of the safe operating life of HAC and (c) advice to schools where HAC was used as part of the construction method for any part of the building since 25 October 2022. (14038)
- 56 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made an estimate of the number of (a) elements of school estates currently in use and (b) open schools containing at least one such element which were constructed using High Alumina Cement in (i) each local authority area and (ii) England. (14039)
- 57 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether guidance is available to schools on the management of (a) buildings and (b) building elements made from block and beam concrete. (14040)
- 58 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether guidance is available to schools on the management of (a) buildings and (b) building elements made from high alumina cement. (14041)
- 59 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many school buildings are operating past their intended design life by local authority area; and how many schools have one or more of those buildings by local authority area. (14042)

- 60 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when she last met with representatives of the (a) Roman Catholic Church, (b) Church of England, (c) Confederation of School Trusts and (d) Local Government Association to discuss the safety of school buildings that they manage. (14043)
- 61 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when she last met with representatives of (a) the Association of School and College Leaders, (b) the National Association of Head Teachers, (c) the National Association of Schoolmaster Union, (d) the National Education Union, (e) Unison, (f) GMB and (g) Unite to discuss the safety of school buildings in which they work. (14044)
- 62 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has had discussions with representatives of (a) the Roman Catholic Church and (b) Church of England on the safety of (i) block and beam concrete and (ii) high alumina cement constructions in schools managed by the dioceses of those Churches since 25 October 2022. (14045)
- 63 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has had discussions with the (a) Confederation of School Trusts, (b) Roman Catholic Church, (c) Church of England and (d) Local Government Association on the safety of (i) block and beam concrete and (ii) high alumina cement constructions in schools for which they and their member organisations are responsible since 25 October 2022. (14047)
- 64 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent (a) assessment she has made of and (b) steps she has taken to help ensure the safety of school buildings in Northumberland. (14048)
- 65 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent (a) assessment she has made of and (b) steps she has taken to help ensure the safety of school buildings in Somerset. (14049)
- 66 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether the Condition Data Collection studies collected information on elements of the school estate made using (a) block and beam concrete and (b) high alumina cement. (14050)
- 67 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the Written Statement of 4 September 2023 on the Review of the UK's membership to the Energy Charter Treaty, HCWS995, what steps she plans to take on UK membership of that Treaty. (14110)
- 68 **Dame Andrea Jenkyns** (Morley and Outwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what the average capacity factor was for the fixed bottom offshore windfarm fleet in each of the last five years; what the average

capacity factor was for fixed bottom offshore windfarms that were commissioned between 2017 and 2020; and if he will make an estimate of the capacity factor of windfarms due to be commissioned in 2025. (14358)

- 69 **Sarah Jones** (Croydon Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of the total (a) investment, (b) number of directly-created jobs and (c) number of supply-chain jobs at Hinkley C on the economy in (i) Somerset and (ii) the UK. (14154)
- 70 **Sarah Jones** (Croydon Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of the (a) total investment, (b) number of directly-created jobs and (c) supply-chain jobs forecast for the Sizewell C development on (i) Suffolk and (ii) the UK. (14155)
- 71 **Sarah Jones** (Croydon Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what estimate her Department has made of the potential impact of the cancellation of the NuGen development at Moorside (a) electricity generation capacity, (b) investment, (c) directly-created jobs, (d) supply-chain jobs in (i) Cumbria and (ii) the UK; and what estimate her Department has made of the potential impact of the cancellation of that project on gross value added in Cumbria. (14156)
- 72 **Sarah Jones** (Croydon Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how much financial support the Government (a) agreed to give to support the NuGen project in Moorside over the course of its proposed development and (b) gave to the project before it was cancelled. (14157)
- 73 **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether her Department has made an estimate of the number of households that will be in fuel poverty in winter 2024-25 and ineligible for energy bill support. (14363)
- 74 **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether her Department has made an estimate of the number of households that will not be in fuel poverty in winter 2024-25 and will receive energy bill support. (14364)
- 75 **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will make it her policy to provide energy bill support to households with the most need. (14365)
- 76 **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): 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 reports from the Social Market Foundation entitled Fairer, warmer, cheaper: New energy bill support policies to support British households in an age of high prices, published on 8 March 2023, and Bare necessities: Towards an improved framework for social tariffs in the UK, published on 29 September 2023. (14366)

- 77 **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether she has had discussions with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on using HMRC Real Time Income data to target energy support schemes for households. (14367)
- 78 **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether she plans to provide for community benefit from (a) solar farms and (b) wind farms with solar panels located within them. (14392)
- 79 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many posts there are for (a) press, (b) media and (c) other communications staff in her Department; and what the salary band is for each post. (14022)
- 80 **Andrew Percy** (Brigg and Goole): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether her Department is taking steps to transition biomass powers stations which have a generating capacity of under 100MW to bioenergy with carbon capture and storage (BECCS). (13987)
- 81 **Lloyd Russell-Moyle** (Brighton, Kemptown): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will publish the supply chain plans for (a) fixed and (b) floating offshore wind farms submitted by developers in the sixth Contracts for Difference Allocation Round; and how many of those plans have been (i) approved and (ii) rejected. (14127)
- 82 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what data his Department holds on the number of households off the gas grid in Northern Ireland (a) in total, (b) by constituency and (c) by council. (14076)
- 83 **Ms Diane Abbott** (Hackney North and Stoke Newington): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to reduce levels of nitrogen dioxide in London boroughs where levels have exceeded legal limits. (13862)
- 84 **Ms Diane Abbott** (Hackney North and Stoke Newington): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make it his policy to reduce the impact of air pollution on (a) Black, Asian and minority ethnic communities and (b) people living in poverty. (13863)
- 85 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to support (a) beekeepers and (b) the wider beekeeping industry in the context of the threat of Asian hornet. (14247)
- 86 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what funding his Department plans to provide to tackle (a) Asian hornet and (b) other non-native invasive species that impact the natural ecosystem in the next three years; and whether he plans to review that funding. (14248)

- 87 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will require food labelling for honey to display the proportion of honey contained. (14251)
- 88 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many licensed cat sellers there are in England. (14006)
- 89 **Steven Bonnar** (Coatbridge, Chryston and Bellshill): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he has taken to support the agriculture sector in the context of changing immigration rules. (14186)
- 90 **Steven Bonnar** (Coatbridge, Chryston and Bellshill): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to provide additional support for (a) energy and (b) inflationary costs for the agriculture sector. (14187)
- 91 **Steven Bonnar** (Coatbridge, Chryston and Bellshill): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will take steps to ensure that future multi-annual farming support funding is given in seven-year blocks. (14188)
- 92 **Steven Bonnar** (Coatbridge, Chryston and Bellshill): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will guarantee funding for farming subsidies after 2025. (14189)
- 93 **Andrew Bridgen** (North West Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of the proposed EU regulation on the welfare of dogs and cats and their traceability on Northern Ireland; and whether he plans to legislate to extend that regulation to the UK. (14083)
- 94 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to help improve water quality in (a) Enfield North Constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield, and (c) London. (14408)
- 95 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he has taken to help support local authorities tackle fly-tipping in (a) Enfield North Constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London. (14409)
- 96 **Judith Cummins** (Bradford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will bring forward legislative proposals to ban the import of dogs with cropped ears. (14093)
- 97 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has made an estimate of the number of homes affected by sewage rising into (a) gardens, (b) toilets and (c) sinks after heavy rains. (13955)

- 98 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many staff were in the Environment Agency's legal services team in each year since 2015. (13956)
- 99 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many Environment Agency staff have left that organisation in each year since 2015. (13957)
- 100 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many upland farms have closed in each year since 2015 by region. (13958)
- 101 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the availability of fluorinated gases during the planned transition to alternative gases. (14149)
- 102 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 31 January 2024 to Question 10315 on Deposit Return Schemes: Drinks, if he will provide a timeline for the publication of the Statutory Instrument for the proposed deposit return scheme. (14242)
- 103 **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what the annually-negotiated cod quota tonnage was for UK fishing vessels in Norwegian waters for each year since 2016; and what proportion of that quota was allocated to Scottish-registered vessels. (14312)
- 104 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many posts there are for (a) press, (b) media and (c) other communications staff in his Department; and what the salary band is for each post. (14023)
- 105 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has had recent discussions with (a) the Environment Agency and (b) Ofwat on the adequacy of their capacity to investigate breaches of permits by water companies. (14394)
- 106 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what progress his Department has made on prosecutions for non-compliance by (a) water and (b) sewerage companies at wastewater treatment works. (14396)
- 107 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department has taken to reduce the number of emergency discharges from emergency overflows. (14397)
- 108 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department is taking steps to ensure that additional costs on water bills are used to improve storm overflows. (14398)

- 109 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department has had discussions with businesses on installing microfibre filters in washing machines. (14399)
- 110 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions his Department has had with businesses on preparing for the deadline for the implementation of the deposit return scheme. (14400)
- 111 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department is taking steps to limit levels of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances in drinking water. (14401)
- 112 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what progress he has made on a UK chemicals strategy. (14402)
- 113 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps her Department has taken to prohibit horse fly-grazing and abandonment. (14317)
- 114 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will take steps to help ensure that people who neglect their horses are prosecuted. (14318)
- 115 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to support local authorities (a) manage and (b) care for neglected horses that have been left to fly-graze. (14319)
- 116 **Henry Smith** (Crawley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department plans to introduce a ban on the (a) display and (b) importation of (i) dolphins, (ii) whales, (iii) porpoises and (iv) other cetaceans. (13998)
- 117 **Henry Smith** (Crawley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will bring forward legislative proposals to ensure that the UK requires imports of (a) meat, (b) milk, (c) eggs and (d) fish to meet UK animal welfare standards. (13999)
- 118 **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to the document entitled Afghan homelessness management information: 1 July 2023 to 31 August 2023, published on 19 September 2023, what data his Department has collected from local authorities since that publication; if he will take steps to ensure that local authorities provide that data at regular intervals; and when he plans to publish an update to that publication. (14275)

- 119 **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he has made a recent assessment of levels of homelessness among Afghan nationals previously housed in bridging accommodation in (a) England, (b) Wales and (c) Scotland. (14276)
- 120 **Philip Davies** (Shipley): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to assess the risk of legal challenge to proposed policies in the consultation entitled Modern leasehold: restricting ground rent for existing leases. [R] (13943)
- 121 **Philip Davies** (Shipley): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to his Department's consultation entitled Modern leasehold: restricting ground rent for existing leases, which closed on 17 January 2024, if he will make an assessment of the potential cost to the public purse of providing compensation to freeholders under those proposals. [R] (13944)
- 122 **Philip Davies** (Shipley): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to his Department's consultation entitled Modern leasehold: restricting ground rent for existing leases, which closed on 17 January 2024, whether he has had discussions with colleagues on the compliance of those proposals with human rights law. [R] (13945)
- 123 **Philip Davies** (Shipley): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of the proposals in the Leasehold and Freehold Reform Bill on pensioners whose income comes partly from ground rent. [R] (13946)
- 124 **Philip Davies** (Shipley): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to para 1.12 of his Department's consultation entitled Modern leasehold: restricting ground rent for existing leases, which closed on 17 January 2024, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of capping ground rents at a peppercorn on the pensions industry. [R] (13947)
- 125 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what progress he has made in discussions with his counterparts in EU states on bilateral voting rights to ensure that EU citizens who arrive in the UK after 2021 can vote in local elections after May 2024. (14298)
- 126 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what estimate he has made of the potential number of EU citizens resident in the UK who will be removed from the electoral roll after May 2024. (14299)
- 127 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many public toilet facilities there were in (a) Stockport borough and (b) England in (i) 2010 and (ii) 2023. (14381)

- 128 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many posts there are for (a) press, (b) media and (c) other communications staff in his Department; and what the salary band is for each post. (14013)
- 129 **Andrew Percy** (Brigg and Goole): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he plans to change fire safety requirements for buildings over 11m; and whether he intends to extend fire safety regulations for high rise buildings to buildings under 18m. (13988)
- 130 **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what guidance was provided to local authorities on the eligibility criteria for businesses applying for a Business Recovery Grant following flooding. (13996)
- 131 **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many businesses applied for a Business Recovery Grant following Storm Babet flooding in October 2023; and how many of those applications were (a) approved and (b) rejected in each local authority area. (13997)
- 132 **Royston Smith** (Southampton, Itchen): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the three properties threshold for qualifying lease status outlined in the Building Safety Act 2022 on the private rented sector. (14104)
- 133 **Royston Smith** (Southampton, Itchen): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what estimate his Department has made of the number of leaseholders that do not meet the criteria for qualifying lease threshold because they own more than three properties. (14105)
- 134 **Royston Smith** (Southampton, Itchen): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what information his Department holds on the average cost of a building safety case report. (14111)
- 135 **Royston Smith** (Southampton, Itchen): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department has made an estimate of the potential impact of calling in building safety case reports on the insurance costs for residential buildings. (14112)
- 136 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, pursuant to the Answer of 8 February 2024 to Question 12419 on Social Rented Housing: EU Nationals, what guidance the Government has issued to people with (a) pre-settled status and (b) settled status under the EU Settlement Scheme to determine whether they have equal treatment protection in matters of housing under the (i) Withdrawal Agreement, (ii) EEA-EFTA Separation Agreement and (iii) Swiss Citizens' Rights Agreement. (14273)

- 137 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether she has made a recent assessment of the potential merits of making the Cabinet Siting and Pole Siting Code of Practice mandatory. (14266)
- 138 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, pursuant to the Answer of 31 January 2024 to Question 11162 on Telecommunications: Infrastructure, whether Ofcom has notified her Department of any instances where operators in (a) Birmingham and (b) Birmingham, Edgbaston constituency have not complied with their statutory duties. (14267)
- 139 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, pursuant to the Answer of 31 January 2024 to Question 11162 on Telecommunications: Infrastructure, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of allowing local authorities to work with operators on broadband roll-out strategy. (14268)
- 140 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, with reference to the Answer of 15 January 2024 to Question 8091, whether broadband operators are required to consider the impact on (a) communities and (b) the environment in the deployment of infrastructure that falls under Class A(a) of Part 16 of the General Permitted Development Order. (14269)
- 141 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, when her Department plans to respond to the correspondence of 26 October 2023, transferred to her Department on 7 November 2023 from the hon. Member for Birmingham, Edgbaston. (14270)
- 142 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment her Department has made of the potential merits of increasing the participation of people living with Dementia in clinical trials. (14378)
- 143 **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what guidance her Department issues to businesses on erecting telegraph poles for fibre broadband provision in areas where fibre broadband is already available through underground ducts. (13950)
- 144 **Sir Mike Penning** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, when she plans to respond to the correspondence from the hon. Member for Hemel Hempstead of 20 July 2023, followed up on 2 August, 25 September, 20 October, 2 November 2023, and 11 January 2024, reference MP79291. (13936)

- 145 **Mark Pritchard** (The Wrekin): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if she hold discussions with mobile phone [manufacturers?] on encouraging the development of phones that [are disabled / do not function] when their users are driving motorised vehicles. (13953)
- 146 **Selaine Saxby** (North Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what her planned timetable is for the publication of the Land Use Framework. (14152)
- 147 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps she is taking to support women to return to their careers in STEM after maternity leave. (13893)
- 148 **Giles Watling** (Clacton): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of using voluntary collective licensing schemes to enable the licensing of copyright protected material for use in the training of generative AI models. (14296)
- 149 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if his Department will make an assessment of the impact of trends in the level of car insurance premiums on young people. (14284)
- 150 **Andrew Bridgen** (North West Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will take steps to help (a) support people with increases in the cost of motor insurance premiums and (b) ensure there is competition within that industry. (14081)
- 151 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what his planned timetable is for the publication of guidance for local authorities on 20mph speed limits. (14342)
- 152 **Bambos Charalambous** (Enfield, Southgate): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to enforce pedestrian priority at pedestrian crossing points without traffic control measures as set out in the update to the Highway Code in January 2022. (14274)
- 153 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions he has had with rail service providers on tackling anti-social behaviour on railway services in (a) Enfield North Constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield, and (c) London. (14410)
- 154 **Martyn Day** (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 9 February 2024 to Question 12854 on Large Goods Vehicles, if he will publish post-trial operation guidance for hauliers not included in the trial; and how those hauliers will have to prepare for implementation of post-trial operations. (14214)

- 155 **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has received correspondence from Govia Thameslink Railways on service quality standards on the (a) Thameslink, (b) Southern and (c) Great Northern franchise since the start of those franchises. (14133)
- 156 **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has received correspondence from Southeastern Trains Ltd on service quality standards on the Southeastern franchise since ownership was transferred to the operator of last resort. (14134)
- 157 **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has made an estimate of the number of full-time equivalent hours spent (a) monitoring performance of train operating companies and (b) assessing performance based fees on National Rail contracts. (14135)
- 158 **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 21 November 2023 to Question 1424, what plans he has for the L-category licensing regime in 2024. (13895)
- 159 **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 21 November 2023 to Question 1424, what progress has he made on reforming the L-category licence. (13896)
- 160 **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies on L-category licence reform of the MCIA and Zemo Partnership Action Plan Scorecard entitled Action Plan: Realising the Full Potential of Zero Emission Powered Light Vehicles, published in January 2024. (13897)
- 161 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many full-time equivalent staff are assessing nominations for funding under the Access for All programme. (13980)
- 162 **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department has had recent discussions with HM Treasury on potential fiscal steps to support the road haulage industry with increases in its costs. (14163)
- 163 **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing (a) social tariffs and (b) other forms of financial support for (i) public transport and (ii) car insurance. (14368)
- 164 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the Answer of 20 October 2023 to Question 201667 on Railways: WiFi, what were the results of his Department's discussions on the provision of wi-fi as part of the Annual Business Plan for each train operating company. (14294)

- 165 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the Answer of 19 July 2023 to Question 194228 on Railways: WiFi, what the results were of his Department's analysis of responses from train operating companies. (14295)
- 166 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what information his Department holds on the number of train drivers recruited in each of the last 10 years. (14321)
- 167 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 6 February 2023 to Question 12367 on Railway Stations: Access, what discussions he has had with the Great British Railways Transition Team on when the accessibility audit of railway stations will be published. (14322)
- 168 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions he had with the representatives of the rail sector before his decision to cancel the proposal to deliver a centralised Great British Railways online rail ticket retailer in December 2023. (14323)
- 169 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether officials in his Department had discussions with Treasury officials on his decision to cancel a centralised online rail ticket retailer in December 2023. (14324)
- 170 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of mandating train operating companies (a) contracted to the private sector and (b) under the control of DfT OLR Holdings to adopt the Armed Forces Covenant to a gold standard. (14325)
- 171 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will have discussions with train operating companies (a) contracted to the private sector and (b) under the control of DfT OLR Holdings on the adoption of the Armed Forces Covenant to a gold standard for their employees. (14326)
- 172 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 6 February 2024 to Question 12368 on Euston Station, whether it is his policy to appoint a development company to manage the delivery of Euston Station before July 2024. (14327)
- 173 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many seats HS2 trains travelling between Birmingham and Manchester will have. (14328)
- 174 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much the Great British Railways transition team has spent on consultants as of 14 February 2024. (14329)
- 175 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he plans to extend the eligibility criteria for the plug-in taxi grant. (13915)

- 176 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 6 February 2024 to Question 11716 on Travel: Concessions, whether he has had discussions with his counterparts in (a) the devolved Administrations and (b) the London Assembly on concessionary bus travel. (13916)
- 177 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of requiring that taxi firms provide vehicles suitable for people with disabilities during each of their shift patterns. (14077)
- 178 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many and what proportion of Household Support Fund awards were issued in (a) Enfield North Constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London since October 2021. (14411)
- 179 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many and what proportion of families received funding from the Household Support Fund in (a) Enfield North Constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London since October 2021. (14412)
- 180 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the Household Support Fund on levels of child poverty in (a) Enfield North Constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London since October 2021. (14413)
- 181 **Vicky Foxcroft** (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people were awaiting a decision on their Access to Work application on the first day of each month in 2023. (14096)
- 182 **Vicky Foxcroft** (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what has been the largest number of people awaiting a decision on their Access to Work application in any month since 1994. (14116)
- 183 **Vicky Foxcroft** (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the longest waiting time was to receive approval for an Access to Work application in the last 12 months. (14331)
- 184 **Mrs Helen Grant** (Maidstone and The Weald): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether his Department is taking steps to support the separated parents of children who are not the parent in receipt of (a) child benefit and (b) carers allowance. (14028)
- 185 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of transition of claimants from Incapacity Benefit to the Employment and Support Allowance; and what assessment he has made of the potential impact of that transition on claimants' accruals of National Insurance credits. (14253)

- 186 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many Employment and Support Allowance claimants have notified his Department of a shortfall in their National Insurance credits; what estimate he has made of how many such cases there are in total; and how many such cases have been resolved as of 16 February 2024. (14254)
- 187 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, which companies (a) were involved in designing and (b) are involved in maintaining the technology programmes used to manage (i) the Employment and Support Allowance, (ii) the transition from Incapacity Benefit to the Employment and Support Allowance and (iii) National Insurance credits for Employment and Support Allowance claimants. (14255)
- 188 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of which industries experience the biggest (a) loss and (b) retention of female staff after maternity leave. (13892)
- 189 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment his Department has made of trends in the level of demand for the Access to Work scheme since October 2023. (14278)
- 190 **Tonia Antoniazzi** (Gower): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what comparative assessment she has made of trends in the total number of medicine shortages recorded by her Department in January (a) 2021, (b) 2022, (c) 2023 and (d) 2024. (14113)
- 191 **Tonia Antoniazzi** (Gower): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions she has had with the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency on the average licensing approval decision timelines for (a) generic and (b) biosimilar medicines to treat Parkinson's disease. (14114)
- 192 **Tonia Antoniazzi** (Gower): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she is taking steps with the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency to reduce the time taken to license (a) generic and (b) biosimilar medicines to treat Parkinson's disease. (14115)
- 193 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to reduce waiting lists of young people waiting for braces. (14289)
- 194 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to help researchers access funding for liver health. (14005)
- 195 **Alan Brown** (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions she has had with her international counterparts on (a) care for patients with and (b) treatment for liver cancer. (14139)

- 196 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many mental health trusts are implementing smoking cessation services. (14087)
- 197 **Elliot Colburn** (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the report by the British Liver Trust entitled Liver Cancer – A Call to Action, published in October 2023, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of implementing an optimal care pathway for liver cancer. (14137)
- 198 **Philip Davies** (Shipley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 7 February 2024 to Question 12282 on UK Health Security Agency: Finance, if she will list (a) all the third parties that have contributed to the UKHSA vaccines income and (b) how much each has third party has given in each year since the UKHSA was formed. (13942)
- 199 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to assess the potential (a) costs and (b) impact on patients of the use of (i) lecanemab , (ii) donanemab and (iii) other Alzheimer's drugs. (14209)
- 200 **Sarah Dyke** (Somerton and Frome): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when she expects the randomised controlled trials to test medicinal cannabis for adults and children with epilepsy to begin; which NHS Trusts will be participating in these trials; how many patients will be involved in the trials; and whether patients will be approached to participate. (14347)
- 201 **Mark Eastwood** (Dewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department plans to take to support ICBs in increasing the adoption of real time continuous glucose monitoring for patients with type 2 diabetes. (14361)
- 202 **Mark Eastwood** (Dewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of patients in West Yorkshire ICS with (a) Type 1 and (b) Type 2 diabetes use real time continuous glucose monitoring as of 16 February 2024. (14362)
- 203 **Vicky Foxcroft** (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions she has had with representatives of the pharmaceutical industry on (a) the expiry of the patent for Elvanse is out of date and (b) the potential merits of (i) producing and (ii) procuring a generic version of Elvanse. (14138)
- 204 **Vicky Foxcroft** (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent estimate she has made of the number and proportion of NHS buildings that contain asbestos. (14215)

- 205 **Vicky Foxcroft** (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to remove asbestos from NHS buildings. (14216)
- 206 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that integrated care boards provide aftercare to eligible patients as set out in section 117 of the Mental Health Act 1983. (14375)
- 207 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to her Department's Press Release entitled, Prime Minister launches Dame Barbara Windsor Dementia Mission, published on 14 August 2022, if she will publish a plan for the delivery of that mission. (14376)
- 208 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to her Department's Press Release entitled, Prime Minister launches Dame Barbara Windsor Dementia Mission, published on 14 August 2022, how much and what proportion of the funding made available through that mission will be spent in each region. (14377)
- 209 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of hospital admissions were due to liver disease in 2022-23. (14150)
- 210 **Sir George Howarth** (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions she has had with (a) NICE and (b) NHS England on encouraging the adoption of new treatments for (i) sickle cell disease and (ii) beta-thalassaemia. (13899)
- 211 **Sir George Howarth** (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions she has had with NICE on developing its methodologies to ensure future access to (a) innovative one-time treatments and (b) cell and genetic therapies. (13900)
- 212 **Sir George Howarth** (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions she has had with the (a) National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) and (b) Chancellor of the Exchequer on the application of NICE's evaluation methods to support value assessment for one-off curative treatments for which health gains are accrued over time. (13901)
- 213 **Sir George Howarth** (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions she has had with the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence on updates in the way that it assesses medicines that reduce health inequalities. (13902)
- 214 **Sir George Howarth** (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of patients with type 1 diabetes use (a) finger-pricking monitoring and (b) continuous monitoring to track their glucose levels. (13903)

- 215 **Sir George Howarth** (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of patients with type 1 diabetes use real time continuous glucose monitoring to manage their diabetes. (13904)
- 216 **Sir George Howarth** (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to reduce waiting times for (a) diagnosis and (b) treatment for young people with cancer. (13905)
- 217 **Sir George Howarth** (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to improve awareness of the (a) signs and (b) symptoms of cancer in young people. (13906)
- 218 **Sir George Howarth** (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of targeted awareness campaigns for young people on the five main warning signs and symptoms of cancer. (13907)
- 219 **Kim Leadbeater** (Batley and Spen): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to (a) publicise and (b) promote the maternity exemption to prescription charges; and what steps she is taking to ensure (i) rapid reimbursement and (ii) the removal of fines when the forms for patients entitled to the exemption are not correctly filed. (14279)
- 220 **Karl M'Cartney** (Lincoln): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will publish the names of the organisations that responded to the consultation entitled Creating a smokefree generation and tackling youth vaping. (14030)
- 221 **Karl M'Cartney** (Lincoln): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will publish the names of the organisations who disclosed links to the tobacco industry that responded to the consultation entitled Creating a smokefree generation and tackling youth vaping. (14031)
- 222 **Karl M'Cartney** (Lincoln): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions she has had with the (a) National Federation of Retail Newsagents, (b) Association of Convenience Stores, (c) British Independent Retailers Association, (d) Scottish Grocers Federation and (e) Federation of Wholesale Distributors on the introduction of a generational ban on the purchase of tobacco. (14032)
- 223 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many posts there are for (a) press, (b) media and (c) other communications staff in her Department; and what the salary band is for each post. (14019)
- 224 **Taiwo Owatemi** (Coventry North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many tests for lynch syndrome were funded by NHS England in 2022. (14243)

- 225 **Taiwo Owatemi** (Coventry North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether her Department has made an estimate of the number of Cancer Alliances that are offering close family members of Lynch syndrome patients tests for that syndrome in accordance with NICE guidance. (14244)
- 226 **Taiwo Owatemi** (Coventry North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether her Department has made an assessment of the (a) extent of and (b) reasons for inequalities in bowel cancer outcomes. (14245)
- 227 **Taiwo Owatemi** (Coventry North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether her Department has made an assessment of the (a) extent of and (b) reasons for geographical disparities in the number and proportion of bowel cancers diagnosed at stages (i) 3 and (ii) 4 in the last five years. (14246)
- 228 **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment her Department has made of the potential merits of allowing NHS patients to seek a second opinion on their (a) condition and (b) treatment. (14202)
- 229 **Sir Mike Penning** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to raise awareness of sudden unexplained death in childhood (SUDC); and whether there is a timeframe for information relating to SUDC to be included on the NHS website. (13937)
- 230 **Sir Mike Penning** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether her Department (a) has taken and (b) is taking steps to increase research into the causes of sudden unexplained death in childhood. (13938)
- 231 **Lloyd Russell-Moyle** (Brighton, Kemptown): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has made an assessment of the potential impact of off-label prescriptions of Victoza, Luraglutide, for the purpose of weight loss from private healthcare providers on the level of supply of that drug for type 2 diabetes. (14334)
- 232 **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people were diagnosed with hypertrophic cardiomyopathy in (a) 2020, (b) 2021 and (c) 2022. (13961)
- 233 **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people have hypertrophic cardiomyopathy. (13962)
- 234 **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether her Department is taking steps to raise awareness of hypertrophic cardiomyopathy in young people. (13963)
- 235 **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether there are block contract payment models in use for cardiac services. (13964)

- 236 **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of the use of block contract payment models in cardiac services. (13965)
- 237 **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she is taking steps to expand the eligibility of familial mapping services. (13966)
- 238 **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she is taking steps to increase the number of genetic counsellors for hypertrophic cardiomyopathy. (13967)
- 239 **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she plans to introduce self-referral forms for family members of people with genetic cardiac conditions. (13968)
- 240 **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she is taking steps to improve the reach of screening programmes for inherited cardiac conditions. (13969)
- 241 **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she is taking steps to raise awareness of inherited cardiac conditions among GPs. (13970)
- 242 **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she plans to introduce a national leadership role for inherited cardiac conditions. (13971)
- 243 **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to reduce waiting lists for echocardiograms. (13972)
- 244 **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many patients are on the waiting list for an echocardiogram. (13973)
- 245 **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she is taking steps to reduce regional variations in diagnosis rates of (a) hypertrophic cardiomyopathy and (b) other inherited cardiac conditions. (13974)
- 246 **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she is taking steps to reduce regional variations in outcomes for patients with (a) hypertrophic cardiomyopathy and (b) other inherited cardiac conditions. (13975)
- 247 **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of enabling appropriately qualified optometrists to issue certificates of vision impairment. (13978)

- 248 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how the £95million allocated to the Dame Barbara Windsor Dementia Mission will be apportioned to (a) innovations in biomarkers, data, and digital and imaging technologies, (b) Increasing the number and speed of UK-based clinical trials for research into dementia and neurodegeneration and (c) its end-to-end implementation. (14385)
- 249 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure the supply of Trulicity. (14424)
- 250 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to support patients affected by shortages of Trulicity. (14425)
- 251 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to help stop disruption of the supply of (a) Ozempic, (b) Trulicity and (c) similar medicines. (14426)
- 252 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help ensure that specialist medical services for Tourette's Syndrome are accessible to people outside of London. (14437)
- 253 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has plans to (a) review and (b) update guidance on partnerships between private healthcare providers and Chinese genomic companies. (14261)
- 254 **Craig Whittaker** (Calder Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the consultation entitled Creating a smokefree generation and tackling youth vaping, what steps her Department plans to take to enforce the proposals relating to (a) tobacco and (b) vape products bought from online retailers. (13989)
- 255 **Craig Whittaker** (Calder Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has considered the potential merits of introducing a retailer licensing scheme for the sale of vapes. (13990)
- 256 **Craig Whittaker** (Calder Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of the inclusion of heated tobacco products in the generational smoking ban on the Government's smokefree 2030 ambition. (13991)
- 257 **Craig Whittaker** (Calder Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the proposal to ban disposable vapes on the illicit vape market. (13992)
- 258 **Craig Whittaker** (Calder Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether her Department has made an assessment of the environmental impact of introducing paper inserts with quit information messages into (a) tobacco pouches and (b) cigarette boxes. (13993)

- 259 **Craig Whittaker** (Calder Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to Public Health England's research and analysis paper entitled Evidence review of e-cigarettes and heated tobacco products 2018, published in March 2018, what recent assessment her Department has made of the relevance of that paper's finding that compared with cigarette smoke, heated tobacco products are likely to expose users and bystanders to lower levels of particulate matter and harmful and potentially harmful compounds. (13995)
- 260 **Sir John Whittingdale** (Maldon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many cases of hospital-acquired sepsis there were in each of the last 10 years. (13854)
- 261 **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, when his Department last raised the case of Karim Ennarah with the Egyptian Government. (14086)
- 262 **Andrew Bridgen** (North West Leicestershire): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he plans to take steps to clean the red paint on his Department's building in King Charles Street; if he will make an estimate of the cost of such cleaning; and whether he is taking steps with Cabinet colleagues to help ensure that protesters cannot do it again. (14084)
- 263 **Paul Bristow** (Peterborough): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether his Department is taking steps to help support British citizens in Sudan to return to the UK in the context of the recent telecoms blackout. (14438)
- 264 **Paul Bristow** (Peterborough): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether his Department is taking steps to provide additional aid to alleviate the potential famine in Sudan. (14445)
- 265 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent assessment he has made of the security situation in the Central African Republic; if he will make an assessment of the implications for his policies of the group known as Movement for the Emergence of the Central African Republic; and whether he has made an assessment of the sources of funding for that group. (13954)
- 266 **Sir Robert Buckland** (South Swindon): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he is taking steps with the Financial Action Task Force against Russia for violating sanctions against North Korea. (14060)
- 267 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, with reference to the statement by the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, published on 8 February 2024, whether his Department is taking diplomatic steps to help prevent the destruction of civilian infrastructure in Gaza. (14356)

- 268 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will make an estimate of the proportion of civilian infrastructure that has been destroyed in Gaza since 7 October 2023. (14371)
- 269 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will make an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of an Israeli military incursion into Rafah. (14372)
- 270 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, how many arms export licences to Israel have been reviewed against the UK's Strategic Export Licensing Criteria since the International Court of Justice's order relating to the case of the Application of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide in the Gaza Strip (South Africa v Israel), published on 26 January 2024. (14373)
- 271 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of the United Nations statement entitled Gaza: Rafah invasion would be a disaster 'beyond imagination', warn UN medics, published on 14 February 2024. (14374)
- 272 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of the report by Amnesty International entitled New evidence of unlawful Israeli attacks in Gaza causing mass civilian casualties amid real risk of genocide, published on February 12 2024. (14379)
- 273 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what diplomatic steps his Department is taking to help secure the release of Ms Elizabeth Tsurkov who was kidnapped in Iraq in March 2023. (14088)
- 274 **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will make an assessment of the implications for his policies of the findings of the report published by the Institute for Monitoring Peace and Cultural Tolerance in School Education entitled UNRWA Education: Textbooks and Terror, published in November 2023. (14089)
- 275 **Sarah Dyke** (Somerton and Frome): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent progress his Department has made on ratifying the Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction Agreement; and what his latest estimate is of the timescale for ratification. (14338)
- 276 **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps his Department is taking to help prevent (a) violence against and (b) the persecution of Christians in Pakistan. (14170)

- 277 **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what representations he has made to his Pakistani counterpart on the persecution of Christians in that country. (14171)
- 278 **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has made an assessment of the impact of the disruption to shipping from Ukraine via the Black Sea on the volume of exports of (a) fertiliser and (b) energy. (14231)
- 279 **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has made an assessment of the impact of the disruption to shipping in the Red Sea on global transfer of (a) fertiliser and (b) energy. (14232)
- 280 **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has made a recent assessment of the scale of food shortages in Gaza. (14233)
- 281 **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has made a recent assessment of the scale of food shortages in Yemen. (14234)
- 282 **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has made a recent assessment of the scale of food shortages in Sudan. (14235)
- 283 **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has made an assessment with Cabinet colleagues of the potential impact of trends in water levels in the Panama Canal on international trade. (14236)
- 284 **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has made an assessment of the impact of water levels in the Panama Canal on international food security. (14237)
- 285 **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has made an assessment of the impact of water levels in the Panama Canal on the passage of food supplies by shipping. (14238)
- 286 **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent discussions he has had with his Egyptian counterpart on the Houthi attacks in the Red Sea. (13948)
- 287 **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent assessment he has made of the impact of the Houthi attacks in the Red Sea on shipping through the Suez Canal. (13949)

- 288 **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will increase humanitarian aid to Sudan. (14094)
- 289 **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has had discussions with international human rights organisations on the case of Ahmad Manasra. (14288)
- 290 **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether the Government has made representations to the Government of Israel on the (a) treatment and (b) appeal for early release on medical grounds of Ahmad Manasra. (14290)
- 291 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will make an assessment of the implications for his policies of the press notice by Amnesty International entitled Israel/OPT: New evidence of unlawful Israeli attacks in Gaza causing mass civilian casualties amid real risk of genocide, published on 14 February 2024. (13981)
- 292 **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment he has made of the food security situation in Ethiopia as of 16 February 2024; and what steps his Department is taking to help support those most in need. (14051)
- 293 **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment he has made of the food security situation in Somalia as of 16 February 2024; and what steps his Department is taking to help support those most in need. (14052)
- 294 **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps he is taking with (a) regional and (b) international partners to help ensure the supply of humanitarian aid to people within conflict zones in Sudan. (14053)
- 295 **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what discussions he has had with relevant partners in Sudan on access to humanitarian relief in that country. (14054)
- 296 **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment he has made of the impact of disruption to merchant shipping in the Red Sea on food security and stability in the Horn of Africa. (14055)
- 297 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what estimate has he made of the number of people in Sudan in need of (a) humanitarian assistance and (b) protection since 15 April 2023. (14009)
- 298 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he plans to increase humanitarian aid to Sudan. (14010)

- 299 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment he has made of the outcome of the Non-Aligned Movement Summit in Kampala in January. (13918)
- 300 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office's recent visit to the British Virgin Islands. (13921)
- 301 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, steps his Department is taking to support the tackling of illegal drug smuggling in the British Virgin Islands. (13922)
- 302 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps he is taking to (a) improve links and (b) increase cooperation with the British Overseas Territories. (13923)
- 303 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he plans to visit any British Overseas Territories in the next six months. (13924)
- 304 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps his Department is taking to help support good governance in the British Virgin Islands. (13925)
- 305 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, how many officials from his Department are stationed in the British Virgin Islands. (13926)
- 306 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, how many officials from his Department are stationed in Montserrat. (13927)
- 307 **Sammy Wilson** (East Antrim): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what information his Department holds on the number of Greek troops that are stationed in southern Cyprus; and whether any personnel from the Greek (a) military and (b) intelligence community are hosted in the sovereign base areas of (i) Akrotiri and (ii) Dhekelia. (13959)
- 308 **Sammy Wilson** (East Antrim): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, on how many occasions the British High Commissioner to Cyprus has held discussions with the British Residents Society in Northern Cyprus since his appointment in August 2022; and if he will publish unredacted minutes of those discussions. (13960)
- 309 **Tonia Antoniazzi** (Gower): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many civil servants are assigned to process indefinite leave to remain applications made using the (a) priority service and (b) super priority service. (14304)

- 310 **Tonia Antoniazzi** (Gower): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many civil servants are assigned to process indefinite leave to remain applications. (14306)
- 311 **Tonia Antoniazzi** (Gower): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many indefinite leave to remain applicants have used the (a) priority service and (b) super priority service in the last 12 months. (14308)
- 312 **Deidre Brock** (Edinburgh North and Leith): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when the Migration Advisory Committee will begin work on the Graduate visa review. (14160)
- 313 **Deidre Brock** (Edinburgh North and Leith): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when he plans to announce the start date of the new minimum income threshold for spouse visas of £34,500. (14161)
- 314 **Deidre Brock** (Edinburgh North and Leith): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will make an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of Reunite Families UK's report entitled UK family migration rules: spouse / partner migration rules: an initial findings report examining the mental health impact of the rules on children and families, published on 18 December 2023. (14173)
- 315 **Sir Robert Buckland** (South Swindon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment the Defending Democracy Taskforce has made of the implications for its work of the use of AI in election campaigns in (a) Pakistan and (b) Indonesia. (14061)
- 316 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps he is taking to help tackle knife crime in (a) Enfield North Constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London. (14414)
- 317 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps he is taking to tackle anti-social behaviour in (a) Enfield North Constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London. (14415)
- 318 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps he is taking to help tackle arson in (a) Enfield North Constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London. (14416)
- 319 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps he is taking to help tackle violent assaults in (a) Enfield North Constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London. (14417)
- 320 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps he is taking to help tackle burglaries in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London. (14418)

- 321 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps he is taking to help tackle cyber-related crime in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London. (14419)
- 322 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps he is taking to help tackle fraud-related crime in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London. (14420)
- 323 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps he is taking to help tackle hate crime in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London. (14421)
- 324 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps he is taking to help tackle modern slavery in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London. (14422)
- 325 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many raids were carried out by Border Force in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London in 2023. (14423)
- 326 **Elliot Colburn** (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps he is taking to help tackle transphobic hate crimes. (14370)
- 327 **John Cryer** (Leyton and Wanstead): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent assessment he has made of the potential merits of repealing the Vagrancy Act 1824. (13864)
- 328 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what progress her Department has made on implementing the proposed increase in minimum income requirements for spouse and partner visa applications. (14146)
- 329 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether his Department invited representations from stakeholders before introducing the proposed changes to the minimum income requirement threshold for (a) skilled worker and (b) spousal visas. (14147)
- 330 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether this Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of proposed increases to the immigration health surcharge on the well-being of migrant workers in the NHS. (14148)
- 331 **Richard Drax** (South Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, for what reason people accommodated on the Bibby Stockholm barge are transported to Weymouth by a full size bus; what the cost to the public purse is for this service; and if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of using a minibus for this service. (14080)

- 332 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what guidance his Department has issued on whether Skilled Worker Visa applicants whose overall band score in the IELTS English Language exam satisfies Home Office requirements but one area is below the minimum requirement can be issued with a visa. (14204)
- 333 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the average processing time was for a skilled worker visa in (a) December 2023 and (b) January 2024. (14434)
- 334 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what information his Department holds on the number of total hours police have spent accompanying patients in hospitals in the last 12 months. (14353)
- 335 **Jonathan Gullis** (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent progress his Department has made on ending the use of hotels for asylum seekers in (a) Stoke-on-Trent and (b) Staffordshire. (14217)
- 336 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will publish a breakdown breakdown by religion of National Crime Agency (a) officers and (b) civilian staff based in Northern Ireland. (14390)
- 337 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many (a) National Crime Agency officers and (b) civilian staff members based in Northern Ireland are (i) former Royal Ulster Constabulary, (ii) Police Service of Northern Ireland officers and (iii) civilian workers. (14391)
- 338 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many Border Force vehicles have been used to patrol the English Channel in each year since 2015. (13867)
- 339 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many student visas were issued to Albanian nationals in each year since 2021. (13868)
- 340 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people were caught attempting to enter the UK illegally through the Channel Tunnel in each year since 2021. (13869)
- 341 **Simon Lightwood** (Wakefield): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to his Department's policy paper entitled Fraud strategy, published on 3 May 2023, what progress his Department has made on introducing an identity checklist outlining the steps needed to (a) recover and (b) secure a stolen identity; and what his planned timeline is for the introduction of that identity checklist. (14256)

- 342 **Stuart C McDonald** (Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether he has made an assessment of the potential adequacy of protections to ensure that people on the seasonal worker visa scheme who (a) become ill and (b) are injured at work have access to (i) healthcare, (ii) accommodation and (iii) compensation for loss of work. (14330)
- 343 **Stuart C McDonald** (Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of care workers on the health and care worker visa are employed by visa sponsors that (a) are and (b) are not registered with the Care Quality Commission as of 14 February 2024. (14336)
- 344 **Stuart C McDonald** (Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department take steps to support workers on the health and care worker visa to find an alternative sponsor in the event that their initial sponsor has its licence revoked. (14337)
- 345 **John McNally** (Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether his Department has made an assessment of the impact of weekly payments to asylum seekers in catered accommodation being under £10 on their ability to access cash. (14340)
- 346 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the time taken to issue biometric residence permits. (14109)
- 347 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will make it his policy to introduce new medal for police injured on duty and discharged from the service. (14332)
- 348 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps he is taking to help increase public trust in the Metropolitan Police. (14007)
- 349 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many asylum hostels were operating in Hendon constituency; and how many have subsequently lost such status in the last five years. (14008)
- 350 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many posts there are for (a) press, (b) media and (c) other communications staff in his Department; and what the salary band is for each post. (14012)
- 351 **Taiwo Owatemi** (Coventry North West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what was the average time taken to process a naturalisation application in each of the last five years. (14339)
- 352 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether his Department has taken steps to provide training to police forces in British Overseas Territories in the last 12 months. (13928)

- 353 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will take steps to second UK police officers to the British Overseas Territories. (13929)
- 354 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps he is taking to help local police forces tackle thefts from tradesmen's vans. (14431)
- 355 **Theresa Villiers** (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will make it his policy to establish a medal for police officers injured on duty. (13935)
- 356 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to his Department's publication entitled Defence Command Paper 2023: Defence's response to a more contested and volatile world published in July 2023, what steps his Department is taking in its procurement process to ensure that the UK has access to (a) key materials, (b) components and (c) critical technology. (14158)
- 357 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph 18 of the Defence Command Paper 2023, what criteria his Department has developed for determining cases in which there is an essential national security requirement for certain industrial capabilities to be available onshore within the UK. (14159)
- 358 **Ben Bradley** (Mansfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what estimate his Department has made of the number of people employed in the UK military space sector; and how many people in the UK military space sector were involved in satellite design as of 16 February 2024. (14272)
- 359 **James Gray** (North Wiltshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of removing the 100 year classification of documents relating to the 1994 Mull of Kintyre Chinook disaster. (13866)
- 360 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has had recent discussions with the Secretary of State for the Home Department on the potential merits of exempting armed forces personnel from changes to legal migration rules for family and work visas in 2024. (13874)
- 361 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an assessment with the Secretary of State for the Home Department of the potential impact of changes to (a) minimum income thresholds and (b) other legal migration rules for family and work visas on armed forces (i) recruitment and (ii) retention. (13876)

- 362 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an assessment with the Secretary of State for the Home Department of the potential impact of changes to (a) minimum income thresholds and (b) other legal migration rules for family and work visas on armed forces personnel with foreign spouses. (13877)
- 363 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many (a) Commonwealth and (b) foreign nationals serving in the armed forces will be affected by (i) changes to minimum income thresholds and (ii) other changes to legal migration rules for (A) family and (B) work visas in 2024. (13878)
- 364 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of (a) changes to minimum income thresholds and (b) other changes to legal migration rules for (i) family and (ii) work visas on (A) Commonwealth and (B) foreign nationals serving in the armed forces. (13879)
- 365 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the annual budget was for the cadet expansion programme in each year since 2010. (13884)
- 366 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many community cadet forces ceased operating in (a) state and (b) independent schools in each region since 2010. (13885)
- 367 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many community cadet forces (a) began and (b) ceased operating in (i) state and (ii) independent schools in each year since 2010. (13886)
- 368 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many combined cadet forces ceased operating in (a) state and (b) independent schools in each region since 2010. (13887)
- 369 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many combined cadet forces (a) began and (b) ceased operating in (i) state and (ii) independent schools in each year since 2010. (13888)
- 370 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many (a) combined and (b) community cadet forces worked with (i) state and (ii) independent schools in each year since 2010. (13889)
- 371 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 13 February 2024 to Question 12510 on Ukraine: Military Aid, If he will publish a breakdown of the allocation. (13891)
- 372 **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department is taking to (a) identify, (b) procure and (c) supply additional military aid for Ukraine. (14142)

- 373 **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the cost to the public purse was for upgrading the Royal Marines' offshore raiding craft to commando raiding craft specification in the latest period for which data is available. (13914)
- 374 **Andrew Lewer** (Northampton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that its approach to procurement helps to retain the (a) skills and (b) workforce needed to support exports of military space technology. (14176)
- 375 **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 12 February 2024 to Question 12864 on Military Bases, what (a) information and (b) assurances his Department requests from international partners on (i) military-registered and (ii) civil aircraft under the diplomatic flight clearance policy. (14190)
- 376 **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to Operation Crossways, when did 12th Regiment Royal Artillery deploy to Saudi Arabia with self propelled high velocity missiles. (14309)
- 377 **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to Operation Crossways, whether 12th Regiment Royal Artillery based in Saudi Arabia has shot down unmanned aerial vehicles from Yemen since 7 October 2023. (14310)
- 378 **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Answer of 16 November 2020 to Question 114286 on Saudi Arabia: Military Aid, whether British personnel continue to accompany the deployment of Giraffe radars to Saudi Arabia. (14311)
- 379 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many posts there are for (a) press, (b) media and (c) other communications staff in his Department; and what the salary band is for each post. (14014)
- 380 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many and what proportion of applications to enlist in the Army were rejected in each of the last five years, broken down by the reason for rejection. (14239)
- 381 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many and what proportion of applications to enlist in the Royal Navy were rejected in each of the last five years, broken down by the reason for rejection. (14240)
- 382 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many and what proportion of applications to enlist in the Royal Air Force were rejected in each of the last five years, broken down by the reason for rejection. (14241)

- 383 **Mark Pritchard** (The Wrekin): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to ensure that the UK has adequate ground-based surface-to-air defence capabilities to defend itself from potential medium- and long-range missile attacks. (13951)
- 384 **Mark Pritchard** (The Wrekin): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will visit (a) RAF Cosford and (b) the RBSL Challenger 3 manufacturing facilities in (i) the Borough of Telford and Wrekin and (ii) Shropshire in 2024. (13952)
- 385 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many individuals were enlisted into the British Armed Forces from the Romford constituency in the last 12 months. (13919)
- 386 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an assessment of the effectiveness of cadet organisations for increasing levels of recruitment into the armed forces. (13920)
- 387 **Sir Gavin Williamson** (South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of presenting medallic recognition to the service personnel who served on HMS Diamond while it was stationed in the Red Sea. (14063)
- 388 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many people have been prosecuted for possession of cannabis since 1 January 2020. (14292)
- 389 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 18 January 2024 to Question 9527 on Burglary: Reoffenders, whether the re-offending rate for people serving a custodial sentence for burglary has changed since that Answer. (14122)
- 390 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the re-offending rate is for people serving a custodial sentence for shop lifting. (14123)
- 391 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the re-offending rate is for people serving a custodial sentence for robbery. (14124)
- 392 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many stress-related sick day absences were recorded for probation staff in 2023. (14125)
- 393 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many magistrates' courts had bail information services in January 2024. (14180)
- 394 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many full-time HMPPS staff were employed to provide bail information services in (a) prisons and (b) courts on 12 February 2024. (14181)

- 395 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what proportion of people who appeared at a magistrates court were remanded in custody in the latest period for which data is available. (14182)
- 396 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the HM Inspectorate of Prisons publication entitled Report on an unannounced inspection of HMP Woodhill, published on 28 November 2023, what steps his Department has taken to ensure that Muslim prisoners can access Friday prayers on a weekly basis. (14257)
- 397 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to his Department's publication entitled HM Prison and Probation Service Offender Equalities Annual Report 2022-2023, published on 30 November 2023, what assessment his Department has made of the reasons that prisoners self-declaring as Muslim are the lowest proportion of prisoners on Enhanced (initial) Incentives status. (14259)
- 398 **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what was the total number of claims sitting with the Tribunals Service on 9 February 2024. (14069)
- 399 **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many and what proportion of claimants appeared before the Tribunals Service as litigants in person in each of the last five years. (14070)
- 400 **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many cases before the Tribunals Service have waited more than (a) three months, (b) six months, (c) one year and (d) two years. (14071)
- 401 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many outstanding cases there are at (a) Grantham, (b) Boston and (c) Lincoln Magistrates Court. (13871)
- 402 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether he has had discussions with the Welsh Government on the adequacy of speech and language therapy training places in the context of demand for those services within the criminal justice system. (14333)
- 403 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many posts there are for (a) press, (b) media and (c) other communications staff in his Department; and what the salary band is for each post. (14021)
- 404 **Lloyd Russell-Moyle** (Brighton, Kemptown): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what protocols his Department has in place on the dispensing of medication to prisoners who are HIV positive. (14432)
- 405 **Lloyd Russell-Moyle** (Brighton, Kemptown): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps his Department is taking to ensure continuity of access to medication for people in prison. (14433)

- 406 **Mohammad Yasin** (Bedford): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, when he expects the new segregation unit at HMP Bedford to be (a) completed and (b) opened. (14201)
- 407 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, how many posts there are for (a) press, (b) media and (c) other communications staff in his Department; and what the salary band is for each post. (14015)
- 408 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Prime Minister, when he plans to call the next general election. (14293)
- 409 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, how many posts there are for (a) press, (b) media and (c) other communications staff in his Department; and what the salary band is for each post. (14017)
- 410 **Philip Davies** (Shipley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has had discussions with the Prudential Regulation Authority on when it will publish its response to Consultation Paper 16/22 on the Implementation of the Basel 3.1 standards. (13939)
- 411 **Philip Davies** (Shipley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment he has made of the potential impact of proposals in the Prudential Regulation Authority Consultation Paper 16/22 on the Implementation of the Basel 3.1 standards on SME lending. (13940)
- 412 **Philip Davies** (Shipley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with regards to the Prudential Regulation Authority Consultation Paper 16/22 on the Implementation of the Basel 3.1 standards published on 30 November 2022, what recent conversations he has had with the Prudential Authority on SME funding. (13941)
- 413 **Martyn Day** (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 9 January 2024 to Question 7371 on High Income Child Benefit Tax Charge, when he plans to publish data on Child Benefit claimants in 2021-22. (14428)
- 414 **Martyn Day** (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of administering Child Benefit as a working age benefit via the Department for Work and Pensions. (14429)
- 415 **Martyn Day** (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of administering Child Benefit as a joint claim per household. (14430)
- 416 **Vicky Foxcroft** (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, for what reason VAT relief is not available on hearing aids. (14280)
- 417 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether the Northern Ireland Executive has received a Barnett consequential as a result of the First Homes scheme. (14224)

- 418 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will introduce measures in the spring Budget to help first-time buyers. (14225)
- 419 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will bring forward measures in the Budget to provide further support for (a) parents with childcare costs and (b) reforms to the childcare sector. (14357)
- 420 **Neale Hanvey** (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much Lottery Duty has been raised in each year since that duty was introduced. (14220)
- 421 **Neale Hanvey** (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much has been raised from Lottery Duty from National Lottery sales in (a) the UK, (b) Great Britain and (c) Scotland in each financial year from 2014-15 to 2022-23 inclusive. (14223)
- 422 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of trends in the level of buy-to-let mortgages in arrears in the last three months of 2023. (13898)
- 423 **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps his Department is taking to increase the number of people sanctioned for creating propaganda in support of the Russian offensive in Ukraine. (14140)
- 424 **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of ringfencing a proportion of the UK's GDP for aid for Ukraine over the next ten years. (14141)
- 425 **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an assessment of the compatibility of the issuing of section 684 notices by HMRC with the recommendations of the independent loan charge review led by Sir Amyas Morse. (14335)
- 426 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will impose a windfall tax on British Gas. (14427)
- 427 **Alex Norris** (Nottingham North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has taken steps with Cabinet colleagues to ensure compensation payments to consumers who were missold timeshares are delivered in a timely manner. (14271)
- 428 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many posts there are for (a) press, (b) media and (c) other communications staff in his Department; and what the salary band is for each post. (14011)
- 429 **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an estimate of the number and proportion of higher rate taxpayers by parliamentary constituency in the last financial year. (14168)

- 430 **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much income tax was paid in each parliamentary constituency in the 2022-23 financial year. (14169)
- 431 **Taiwo Owatemi** (Coventry North West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will take steps to ensure that the Financial Conduct Authority is able to penalise misconduct by officers of friendly societies. (14341)
- 432 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether there were any meetings between senior officials in his Department and (a) the Early Years Alliance, (b) the National Day Nurseries Association, (c) Busy Bees, (d) Bright Horizons, (e) Koru Kids and (f) other individual private providers of childcare services subsequent to the release of transparency information for HM Treasury ministerial meetings between 1 January and 31 March 2023. (14033)
- 433 **Lloyd Russell-Moyle** (Brighton, Kemptown): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will take steps to ensure that people switching to heat pumps are not financially disadvantaged. (14305)
- 434 **Lloyd Russell-Moyle** (Brighton, Kemptown): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make it is policy to work with industry to provide stronger financial incentives to encourage people to environmentally upgrade their homes. (14307)
- 435 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will have discussions with his counterpart in the Department of Economy on helping to ensure that Northern Ireland is an attractive place for companies to invest in. (14078)
- 436 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will have discussions with local authorities in Northern Ireland on the potential merits of allocating additional funding to support SMEs in Strangford constituency. (14079)
- 437 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of raising the level of the tax-free Personal Allowance on the economy. (14101)
- 438 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will raise the level of the tax-free Personal Allowance. (14102)
- 439 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of raising the level of the tax-free Personal Allowance on pensioners. (14103)
- 440 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of increasing the inheritance tax threshold to £1 million. (14343)

- 441 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of incorporating the residence nil rate band into inheritance tax. (14344)
- 442 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make it his policy to incorporate the residence nil rate band into inheritance tax. (14345)
- 443 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the impact of inheritance tax on single divorcees. (14346)
- 444 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will have discussions with E3G on a clean heat discount scheme. (14439)
- 445 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an assessment of the implications for his policies of E3G's briefing entitled Electricity levy rebalancing: Make clean heat accessible to all UK households, published on 27 October 2023. (14440)
- 446 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what fiscal steps he is taking to ensure people switching to a heat pump are not financially penalised. (14441)
- 447 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will work with industry stakeholders to create a permanent targeted support system to help people with energy costs in winter 2024/25. (14442)
- 448 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment with industry stakeholder of the potential merits of increasing financial incentives to environmentally upgrade homes. (14443)
- 449 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of allowing employees who environmentally upgrade their home to be able to pay for this from their gross salary. (14444)
- 450 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, how many posts there are for (a) press, (b) media and (c) other communications staff in his Department; and what the salary band is for each post. (14016)
- 451 **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what steps her Department is taking to tackle racism against Romani (Gypsy), Roma and Irish Traveller communities. (14297)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 21 February

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Attorney General, how many and what proportion of (a) children and (b) adults prosecuted under joint enterprise provisions in the Crown Prosecution Service Joint Enterprise Pilot 2023 for (i) homicide, (ii) attempted homicide and (iii) other offences were assessed under the modern slavery National Referral Mechanism. (14195)
- 2N **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Attorney General, how many and what proportion of (a) homicide and (b) attempted homicide cases was the threshold test applied in each of the last 10 years. (14196)
- 3N **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Attorney General, how many and what proportion of charges that used the threshold test subsequently recorded an application of the full code test in each of the last 10 years. (14197)
- 4N **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Attorney General, how many and what proportion of (a) children and (b) adults prosecuted for (i) homicide, (ii) attempted homicide and (iii) other offences had been assessed under the modern slavery national referral mechanism in each of the last 10 years. (14198)
- 5N **Paula Barker** (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps her Department is taking to support service sector apprenticeships. (14285)
- 6N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, when she will publish her response to her Department's consultation on the UK Single Trade Window. (14056)
- 7N **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will make it her policy to monitor firms with financial ties to sovereign wealth funds originating from countries that do not have transparent and democratic systems to ensure the (a) effective allocation, (b) efficient implementation and (c) transparent reporting of committed funds. (13856)
- 8N **Colum Eastwood** (Foyle): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will publish eligibility criteria for funding artists under the Music Export Growth Scheme; whether the political (a) beliefs and (b) activities of applicants are taken into consideration; and for what reason the band Kneecap has not been granted funding. (14151)
- 9N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she has made a recent assessment of the impact of the disruption to shipping in the Red Sea on international trade. (14226)
- 10N **Chris Law** (Dundee West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she has sought legal advice on the implications for her policies on arms export licences to Israel of the International Court of Justice's decision on

- the request for provisional measures in the case concerning Application of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide in the Gaza Strip (South Africa v. Israel). (14350)
- 11N **Paula Barker** (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to support the grime music scene in urban centres across England. (14283)
- 12N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will provide a list of dates of meetings of the national SEND and alternative provision implementation board since June 2023; and if she will publish the minutes of these meetings. (14199)
- 13N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what her Department's policy is on the publication of the strategic delivery plans for each SEND Change Programme Partnership. (14200)
- 14N **Catherine McKinnell** (Newcastle upon Tyne North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many schools were constructed using block and build concrete in each local authority. (14072)
- 15N **Catherine McKinnell** (Newcastle upon Tyne North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the average expected design life is of schools constructed using block and beam concrete. (14073)
- 16N **Catherine McKinnell** (Newcastle upon Tyne North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made a recent assessment of the safety of school buildings constructed using block and beam concrete. (14074)
- 17N **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent (a) assessment she has made of and (b) steps she has taken to help ensure the safety of school buildings in North Tyneside. (14046)
- 18N **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to help increase the number of primary and secondary school places in Nottingham. (14099)
- 19N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to page 69 of her Department's Carbon Budget Delivery Plan, published on 30 March 2023, what steps she is taking to deliver carbon savings associated with Industrial Resource Efficiency for (a) carbon budget 4, (b) carbon budget 5 and (c) carbon budget 6. (13931)
- 20N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to her Department's Net Zero Strategy, last updated on 5 October 2022, what recent progress she has made on her assessment of a maximum level for embodied carbon in new buildings; and when she plans to consult on proposals to reduce those levels. (13932)

- 21N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the commitment to match or exceed EU Ecodesign standards in the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs publication entitled *Our waste, our resources: a strategy for England*, published on 18 December 2018, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for her Department's policies of the Commission Regulation (EU) 2023/1670. (13933)
- 22N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that the UK meets its commitments under the Industrial Deep Decarbonisation Initiative's Green Public Procurement Pledge. (13934)
- 23N **Dr Dan Poulter** (Central Suffolk and North Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment her Department has made of the effectiveness of Ofgem's role in enforcing the use of the Treasury Green Book guidance in relation to the development of the Norwich to Tilbury proposals by the National Grid. (13983)
- 24N **Dr Dan Poulter** (Central Suffolk and North Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will have discussions with National Grid on ensuring that energy infrastructure projects comply with HM Treasury's publication entitled *The Green Book*, published in March 2022. (13984)
- 25N **Dr Dan Poulter** (Central Suffolk and North Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will have discussions with National Grid on ensuring that the statutory consultation on the Norwich to Tilbury infrastructure project does not take place until the Electricity System Operator offshore coordination study has concluded. (13985)
- 26N **Dr Dan Poulter** (Central Suffolk and North Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will have discussions with the National Grid on ensuring that the statutory consultation on the Norwich to Tilbury infrastructure project does not take place until the reports by the (a) National Grid's Electricity Systems Operator on *The East Anglian Study* and (b) Energy Security and Net Zero Select Committee following its inquiry entitled *A flexible grid for the future* are published. (13986)
- 27N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 8 February 2024 to Question 11101 on Imports: Disease Control, when he plans to (a) make a decision and (b) communicate to businesses the decision on the cost of the Common User Charge. (14058)
- 28N **Patricia Gibson** (North Ayrshire and Arran): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will bring forward legislative proposals to ban cat and kitten smuggling. (14252)

- 29N **Mrs Paulette Hamilton** (Birmingham, Erdington): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he is taking steps to improve resources available to local councils to tackle fly tipping. (14118)
- 30N **Mrs Paulette Hamilton** (Birmingham, Erdington): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he has taken with local authorities to tackle fly tipping (a) nationally and (b) in Birmingham, Erdington Constituency. (14119)
- 31N **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department has made an estimate of the potential impact of Build to Rent housing developments on the level of average rental costs in (a) Stockport and (b) Greater Manchester. (14203)
- 32N **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department plans to (a) review and (b) amend the maximum fair rent inflationary index set in the Rent Act 1977. (14258)
- 33N **Matt Rodda** (Reading East): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether she has set a deadline by which her Department must take steps once a risk is added to the AI risk register. (14095)
- 34N **Edward Timpson** (Eddisbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what recent assessment she has made of the progress on procurement for the Project Gigabit contract for Cheshire. (13979)
- 35N **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will publish the SQR (a) data and (b) benchmarks used for train operating companies in financial years (i) 2022-23 and (ii) 2023-24. (14128)
- 36N **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, which train operating companies are not meeting contractual benchmarks for service quality. (14129)
- 37N **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, which train operating companies have notified him that they have not met contractually agreed benchmarks for service quality since 18 September 2022. (14130)
- 38N **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions he has had with Avanti West Coast on levels of train cancellations. (14131)
- 39N **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will publish the (a) operational performance benchmarks and (b) default performance levels for train operating companies on National Rail contracts. (14132)
- 40N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 9 February 2024 to Question 13142 on Fishing Vessels: Surveillance, what was the cost of flights for DWF lawyers in 2023. (14126)

- 41N **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 8 February 2024 to Question 12372 on High Speed 2 Line: Costs, what estimate he has made of the cost to the public purse of (a) acquiring and (b) managing (i) land and (ii) property associated with HS2 Phase 2 in (A) financial year 2024-25 and (B) the next five years. (14320)
- 42N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the Answer of 16 October 2023 to Question 199738 on Universal Credit: Disqualification, for what reason information on the number of children living in households subject to a Universal Credit sanction is not readily available. (14064)
- 43N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, when Ministers in his Department last requested information from officials on the (a) number, (b) age and (c) disabilities of children living in households subject to a Universal Credit sanction. (14065)
- 44N **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether he has had recent discussions with foodbank operators on jobcentre referral slips. (14448)
- 45N **Liz Kendall** (Leicester West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what his Department's spend on the youth offer was in the last financial year. (14029)
- 46N **Zarah Sultana** (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make the cost-of-living payment made to civil servants in the year to 31 March 2023 available to all civil servants (a) employed and (b) who retired in that year. (14175)
- 47N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many real time information disputes were raised by Universal Credit claimants in each of the last 12 months. (13859)
- 48N **Paula Barker** (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to reduce NHS waiting lists in (a) the North West and (b) Liverpool. (14287)
- 49N **Paula Barker** (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans her Department has to make medicinal cannabis more accessible to those who need it. (14291)
- 50N **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what information her Department holds on the number of children aged ten and under that received dental (a) treatment and (b) surgery under general anaesthetic in each year since 2015. (14380)
- 51N **Peter Grant** (Glenrothes): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that there is an adequate supply of oxcarbazepine for patients with epilepsy. (14277)

- 52N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, who the members are of the NHS England high cost devices steering group; and what the role of that group is. (13976)
- 53N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the (a) terms of reference, (b) objectives and (c) deliverable measures are for NHS England's Device Steering Group for the next 12 months. (13977)
- 54N **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when she plans to respond to the report by the Patient Safety Commissioner entitled The Hughes Report: Options for redress for those harmed by valproate and pelvic mesh, published on 7 February 2024. (14403)
- 55N **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to reduce the time taken for children to receive (a) SEN assessments and (b) mental health treatment. (14100)
- 56N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what diplomatic steps he is taking to help ensure compliance with the International Court of Justice's order relating to the case of the Application of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide in the Gaza Strip (South Africa v Israel), published on 26 January 2024. (14354)
- 57N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what diplomatic steps he is taking to help ensure that Palestinians who were displaced from their homes in Gaza are able to return to them. (14355)
- 58N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will make an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of the urgent request for additional measures under article 75(1) of the rules of court of the International Court of Justice in relation to the the International Court of Justice's order relating to the case of the Application of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide in the Gaza Strip (South Africa v Israel), published on 26 January 2024. (14359)
- 59N **Colum Eastwood** (Foyle): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, how many officials from his Department worked in the US by (a) embassy and consulate and (b) grade in each financial year since 2010. (14447)
- 60N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has made a recent assessment of the potential impact of the disruption to shipping in the Red Sea on international food security. (14227)

- 61N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has made a recent estimate of the volume of food and grain being shipped out of Ukraine via the Black Sea. (14228)
- 62N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has made a recent assessment of the impact of the disruption to shipping in the Red Sea on food supplies to the developing world. (14229)
- 63N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has made an assessment of the impact of the disruption to shipping from Ukraine via the Black Sea on food supplies to the developing world. (14230)
- 64N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, pursuant to the Answer of 8 February 2024 to Question 13138 on UNRWA: Finance, what the sources for the allegations referred to were. (14107)
- 65N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, pursuant to the Answer of 8 February 2024 to Question 13138 on UNRWA: Finance, if he will publish a breakdown of funds allocated to (a) OCHA, (b) UNICEF, (c) the World Food Programme, (d) Egyptian Red Crescent Society and (e) any other partners. (14108)
- 66N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what discussions he has had with his Canadian counterparts on the rescue of Mansour Shouman. (13930)
- 67N **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent discussions he has had with his counterpart in Iraq on Elizabeth Tsurkov. (14097)
- 68N **Paula Barker** (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment his Department has made of the economic benefits of allowing asylum seekers to work if they have been waiting six months or more for an initial decision. (14281)
- 69N **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether he has taken steps with Cabinet colleagues to issue guidance to people with horticultural seasonal worker visas on how to register with a GP; and what information his Department holds on the number and proportion of people with horticultural seasonal worker visas who registered with a GP in 2022. (14386)
- 70N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether initial asylum decisions have been made for claims made before 28 June 2022. (13912)

- 71N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will discuss attacks on employees in the retail sector at the next meeting of the National Retail Crime Steering Group. (13913)
- 72N **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether the exemption from immigration rules for seasonal workers in the perishable food industry extends to those in the fish processing sector. (14192)
- 73N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether (a) changes to minimum income thresholds and (b) other changes to legal migration rules for (i) family and (ii) work visas apply to members of the armed forces. (13880)
- 74N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of people from Sudan applying for entry clearance to the UK have requested that (a) the biometric enrolment process be excused and (b) the application be predetermined since April 2023. (13857)
- 75N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and in what proportion of cases he has (a) excused the biometric enrolment process and (b) predetermined the application for people applying for entry clearance to the UK from Sudan since April 2003. (13858)
- 76N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the report by the National Audit Office entitled Investigation into the response to cheating in English language tests, published on 24 May 2019, HC 2144, what the countries of origin were of people subject to enforced removals from the UK following an accusation of cheating in the Test of English for International Communication. (13860)
- 77N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people accused by Educational Testing Service of cheating in its Test of English for International Communication have received compensation from the Government; and how much has been paid out in that compensation. (13861)
- 78N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when he plans to meet the Global Combat Air Programme's trilateral partners to discuss delivery of the next stage of the programme. (13911)
- 79N **Dame Angela Eagle** (Wallasey): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of working in close proximity to (a) radar systems and (b) other radio frequency radiation emitters on incidences of cancer. (13908)
- 80N **Dame Angela Eagle** (Wallasey): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment his Department has made of the potential level of risk posed by working in close proximity to radio frequency emitters. (13909)

- 81N **Dame Angela Eagle** (Wallasey): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department has taken steps to ensure that medical advisors at Veterans UK are trained to (a) monitor and (b) record cancer incidences among veterans who have worked in close proximity to radio frequency radiation emitters. (13910)
- 82N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many and what proportion of (a) Commonwealth and (b) other foreign nationals serving in the armed forces earn more than £29,000 a year. (13873)
- 83N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many and what proportion of (a) Commonwealth and (b) other foreign nationals serving in the armed forces earn more than £38,700 a year. (13875)
- 84N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will publish the Army Race Action Plan. (13881)
- 85N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many personnel from his Department worked on the Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy on a (a) full-time and (b) part-time basis in each month since April 2021. (13890)
- 86N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 9 February 2024 to Question 12736 on Israel: Armed Forces, which courses Israeli personnel took part in; when those courses took place; and how many Israeli personnel participated in those courses. (14153)
- 87N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 1 February 2024 to Question 11801 on Prison Officers: Labour Turnover, how many and what proportion of prison officers recruited at Wandsworth Prison in 2023 had left the prison service on 9 February 2024. (14136)
- 88N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many days HMP Wandsworth has been at a (a) red, (b) amber-red and (c) amber-green operating state since 1 February 2023. (14191)
- 89N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many and what proportion of claims to the Tribunals Service were in relation to (a) unfair dismissal, (b) unpaid wages, (c) unpaid holiday pay and (d) unlawful discrimination since April 2023. (14066)
- 90N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many and what proportion of claims to the Tribunals Service since 1 April 2023 were not in relation to financial awards. (14067)
- 91N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many cases the Tribunals Service has completed in each of the last five years. (14068)
- 92N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many assaults on prison officers have involved razors in each of the last 24 months. (14000)

- 93N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many assaults on prison officers involving razors have resulted in (a) hospitalisation and (b) prison officers leaving the service in each of the last 24 months. (14001)
- 94N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many prisoners have been successfully prosecuted for attacks on prison officers with razors in each of the last 24 months. (14002)
- 95N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps he is taking to reduce the number of assaults on prison officers involving razors. (14003)
- 96N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of ending the supply of razors to prisoners. (14004)
- 97N **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will publish data on the gender of people ordered to wear an alcohol monitoring device in each year since 2020. (14106)
- 98N **Mohammad Yasin** (Bedford): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of plans to replace the segregation unit at HMP Bedford. (14193)
- 99N **Mohammad Yasin** (Bedford): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many people have been held on the segregation unit at HMP Bedford since 17 November 2023. (14194)
- 100N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the hon. Member for Lancaster and Fleetwood, representing the Speaker's Committee on the Electoral Commission, whether the Committee has had recent discussions with the Electoral Commission on the independence of the Commission. (14117)
- 101N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, when his Department plans to publish the response to the consultation on proposed draft legislation to bring buy-now pay-later products into regulation; and, with reference to Part J of the Government's publication entitled Consultation principles: guidance updated 19 March 2018, for what reasons has the Department not responded within the 12 week timeframe. (14057)
- 102N **Patricia Gibson** (North Ayrshire and Arran): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps are being taken to ensure the accurate calculation of pensions for eligible individuals in the context of the McCloud remedy. (14218)
- 103N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an assessment of the implications for his policies of the number of road haulage businesses that entered insolvency in 2023; and whether he plans to take fiscal steps to help support the road haulage sector in the next 5 years. (14162)

- 104N **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of raising the threshold for the vehicle excise duty surcharge in line with vehicle price increases since 2015. (14395)
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Questions for Answer on Thursday 22 February

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Mr Clive Betts** (Sheffield South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether she is taking steps to ensure that companies successful in the Small Modular Reactor (SMR) competition (a) manufacture those SMRs and (b) use supply chains domestically. (13872)
- 2N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how much he plans to spend on encouraging (a) UK residents and (b) UK citizens living overseas to register to vote in the next General Election. (14120)
- 3N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what discussions his Department has had with (a) the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office and (b) UK High Commissions and Embassies on supporting UK citizens living overseas to register to vote. (14121)
- 4N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department plans to extend the Rough Sleeping Initiative. (14090)
- 5N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if his Department will take steps to halt evictions from temporary asylum accommodation for the full duration that a severe weather emergency protocol is active. (14091)
- 6N **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many no-fault evictions under Section 21 of the Housing Act 1988 were issued in Stockport in 2023. (14384)
- 7N **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department is taking steps to introduce new measures to help reduce emissions from surface transport by 2030. (14177)
- 8N **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential impact of Avanti West Coast's decision to end cash payments for onboard catering on (a) people without payment cards, (b) employment levels of train catering staff, (c) elderly people and (d) people from lower income groups. (14383)

- 9N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he had discussions with his Chinese counterpart on the imprisonment of Jimmy Lai at the Munich Security Conference in February 2024. (14092)
- 10N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he had discussions with his Chinese counterpart on the protection of people from Hong Kong who are in the UK from repression and intimidation during the Munich Security Conference in February 2024. (14449)
- 11N **Chris Law** (Dundee West): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will make an assessment of the implications for the UK's obligations under the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide of the International Court of Justice's order relating to the case of the Application of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide in the Gaza Strip (South Africa v Israel), published on 26 January 2024. (14351)
- 12N **Chris Law** (Dundee West): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has had recent discussions with his Israeli counterpart on Israeli military action in Rafah. (14352)
- 13N **Alex Norris** (Nottingham North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the cost to the public purse was for (a) hiring and (b) training each new (i) police officer, (ii) police community support officer and (iii) special constable on 12 February 2024. (14178)
- 14N **Alex Norris** (Nottingham North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the cost to the public purse was to (a) hire and (b) train each new National Crime Agency officer in 2023. (14179)
- 15N **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 23 January 2024 to Question 9639 on Armed Forces: Housing, if he will provide an update on how many homes undergoing repair and maintenance have been completed. (14393)
- 16N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many vacancies were there for prison officers in England at the end of December 2023. (14369)
- 17N **Janet Daby** (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the average cost is to remand a child into the community. (14174)
- 18N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether his Department is taking to help identify vulnerable tax credit claimants including those (a) with limited capacity and (b) that have been subject to domestic abuse. (14184)

- 19N **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of amending the temporary off-sales regulatory easement to allow beer and cider festival volunteers to take home unsold produce without breaching off-sale tax regulations. (14382)
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Questions for Answer on Friday 23 February

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Alyn Smith** (Stirling): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when he plans to respond to the letter from the hon. Member for Stirling of 13 September 2023 on a shock collar ban. (14172)
- 2N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many calls to the universal credit helpline were abandoned in each of the last two years. (14098)
- 3N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many staff in his Department worked on support for mortgage interest in each of the last two years. (14164)
- 4N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many staff in his Department were working in communications roles in each of the last two years. (14165)
- 5N **Cherilyn Mackrory** (Truro and Falmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to paragraph 5.60 of the Autumn Statement Green Book 2022, how many FTE midwives (a) have been recruited by and (b) left the NHS since 2022. (14313)
- 6N **Cherilyn Mackrory** (Truro and Falmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to paragraph 5.60 of the Autumn Statement Green Book 2022, how many FTE midwives need to be recruited in order to reach the target of 2000 more midwives. (14314)
- 7N **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether people on horticultural seasonal worker visas are permitted to transfer to different scheme operators in the event of their scheme operator's licence being revoked. (14387)
- 8N **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what was the average number of weeks of work provided to workers on the horticultural seasonal worker visa scheme during (a) 2022 and (b) 2023. (14388)

- 9N **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many workers on the horticultural seasonal worker visa scheme were injured at work during (a) 2022 and (b) 2023. (14389)
- 10N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many staff in his Department worked on mortgage support in each of the last two years. (14166)
- 11N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many staff in his Department were working in communications roles in each of the last two years. (14167)

Questions for Answer on Monday 26 February

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many full time equivalent civil servants his Department employed to administer Access to Work at the end of the month for the 18 months up to and including December 2023. (14185)
- 2N **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to reduce waiting times for an autism assessment and diagnosis County Durham. (14315)
- 3N **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the challenges facing young people who are on the waiting list for an autism diagnosis when they move from child to adult mental health services. (14316)
- 4N **Margaret Greenwood** (Wirral West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will have discussions with NHS England on the potential (a) impact of not including ear wax removal services in the standard general medical services contract on health inequalities and (b) merits of appointing a (i) national clinical director and (ii) specialty advisor on audiology to advise on this matter. (14210)
- 5N **Margaret Greenwood** (Wirral West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether her Department has had recent discussions with NHS England about the potential inclusion of ear wax removal services in the standard general medical services contract for 2024-25. (14211)
- 6N **Margaret Greenwood** (Wirral West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will require NHS England to publish commissioning guidance to integrated care boards on universal provision of ear wax removal services. (14212)

- 7N **Margaret Greenwood** (Wirral West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact on her policies of the RNID's findings in its report entitled Blocked Ears, Blocked Access: The crisis of NHS ear wax removal in England, published in January 2024. (14213)
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Questions for Answer on Wednesday 28 February

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Streatham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to reduce the impact of (a) incinerators and (b) air pollution on (i) Black and and (ii) Asian communities, in the context of disproportionate impacts on different communities. (14206)
- 2N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Streatham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to reduce the impact of air pollution on people in poverty. (14207)
- 3N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Streatham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will take additional steps to increase public awareness of how people can protect themselves from the impacts of air pollution. (14208)
- 4N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Streatham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will provide additional funding to organisations that increase awareness of how people can protect themselves from air pollution. (14205)