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Questions tabled on Friday 23 February 2024

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- N Indicates a question for written answer on a named day under S.O. No. 22(4).
- [R] Indicates that a relevant interest has been declared.

Questions for Answer on Monday 26 February

Questions for Written Answer

- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what estimate he has made of the number of mould-related (a) deaths and (b) illnesses in (i) England and (ii) Romford constituency in the last three years. [Transferred] (15235)
- Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of the statutory sick pay system on (a) older and (b) disabled workers. [Transferred] (15305)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many instances of honour based violence due to forced marriage there were in the (a) UK and (b) devolved Administration in each of the last three years.

[Transferred] (15281)

- 4 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps he has taken to work with stakeholders to help ensure that people in (a) England and (b) Romford constituency can access physical banking facilities in their local area. [Transferred] (15238)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has had discussions with major banks on the accessibility of mortgages for first time buyers.

 [Transferred] (15279)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 27 February

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N Dame Nia Griffith (Llanelli): To ask the Attorney General, how much funding her Department has (a) budgeted for and (b) spent on software updates to legacy computer systems in each of the last three financial years. (15425)
- Alan Brown (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 9 February 2024 to Question 12605 on Overseas Trade: Morocco, what value of goods was (a) imported from and (b) exported to the occupied territory of Western Sahara in (i) 2021, (ii) 2022 and (iii) 2023. (15452)
- Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of reducing the universal service obligation to five-days-a-week on publishers with magazine subscription models. (15458)
- 4 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 22 February to Question 13982 on Arms Trade: Israel, whether she has (a) amended, (b) suspended, (c) refused and (d) revoked any licences to export (i) arms and (ii) arms components to Israel since 12 February 2024.
- Neil O'Brien (Harborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many staff in their Department have job titles that include the words (a) equality, (b) diversity, (c) inclusion, (d) gender, (e) LGBT and (f) race. (15473)
- Neil O'Brien (Harborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, how many staff in their Department have job titles that include the words (a) equality, (b) diversity, (c) inclusion, (d) gender, (e) LGBT and (f) race. (15476)
- 7 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she plans to ban school pupils from using phones on the way to and from school. (15489)
- 8 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many staff in their Department have job titles that include the words (a) equality, (b) diversity, (c) inclusion, (d) gender, (e) LGBT and (f) race. (15469)
- 9N **Mr Laurence Robertson** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will take steps to ensure that (a) receiving councils are (i) involved in and (ii) able to object to decisions relating to out of county placements of looked after children and (b) adequate handovers take place between relevant service providers when such a placement is made.

 [Transferred] (15215)
- Neil O'Brien (Harborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many staff in their Department have job titles that include the words (a) equality, (b) diversity, (c) inclusion, (d) gender, (e) LGBT and (f) race. (15475)

- 11 **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help support farmers with their mental health and wellbeing. (15508)
- 12 **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential impact of solar farms on the availability of agricultural land. (15509)
- 13 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of ensuring that private rental residential landlords provide energy meters that are compliant with the European Measuring Instruments Directive for each property they let.
- 14 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of ensuring that private residential tenants have the right to request that an energy meter compliant with the European Measuring Instruments Directive is installed in the property where they live. (15492)
- Neil O'Brien (Harborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, how many staff in their Department have job titles that include the words (a) equality, (b) diversity, (c) inclusion, (d) gender, (e) LGBT and (f) race.

 (15474)
- Chi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment she has made of the (a) implications for her policies and (b) potential impact on investment in the UK by high-growth technology SMEs of the agreement between the European Investment Fund and Inveready Asset Management, signed on 6 June 2023. (15439)
- 17 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to Q102 of the oral evidence given by Lorraine Jackson to the Work and Pensions Select Committee on 31 January 2024, HC 148, when the constant review of statutory sick pay began; what steps his Department is taking to conduct this review; and what sources of information are included in this review.
- Neil O'Brien (Harborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many staff in their Department have job titles that include the words (a) equality, (b) diversity, (c) inclusion, (d) gender, (e) LGBT and (f) race. (15472)
- 19 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for her policies of NICE beginning a new phase of commercial negotiations in its multiple technology appraisal for treating cystic fibrosis. (15498)

- 20 Feryal Clark (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what progress has been made on the new phase of NICE commercial negotiations in its multiple technology appraisal for treating cystic fibrosis; and when she expects the final guidance to be published. (15499)
- 21 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what her expected timeline is for publishing new NICE guidance on cystic fibrosis treatment. (15500)
- 22 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will publish the minutes of her meetings with Vertex since November 2023. (15501)
- 23 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the effectiveness of NICE's commercial negotiations with Vertex on NHS contracts. (15502)
- 24 Feryal Clark (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 19 December 2023 to Question 7053 on Elexacaftor/tezacaftor/ivacaftor, what her Department's expected timetable is for when NICE will publish its final guidance on the use of ivacaftor–tezacaftor–elexacaftor for treating cystic fibrosis. (15503)
- 25 **Elliot Colburn** (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the dementia diagnosis rate was for people aged under 65 who had developed symptoms on 23 February 2024; and if she will publish a monthly estimate of this rate within national primary care dementia data. (15482)
- 26 Elliot Colburn (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if her Department will take steps to require every Integrated Care Board to develop a young onset dementia pathway to (a) standardise and (b) improve dementia (i) care and (ii) support for people of working age.
- 27 **Elliot Colburn** (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to help improve the knowledge of GPs on the symptoms of young onset dementia. (15484)
- 28 **Martyn Day** (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether her Department plans to take steps to ensure that every person with diabetes has access to medical technology that helps them manage their condition. (15459)
- 29 **Chris Grayling** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, for what reason there is a shortage of the drug Trulicity in the NHS. (15518)
- Neil O'Brien (Harborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many staff in their Department have job titles that include the words (a) equality, (b) diversity, (c) inclusion, (d) gender, (e) LGBT and (f) race. (15467)

- Neil O'Brien (Harborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many staff in NHS England have job titles that include the words (a) equality, (b) diversity, (c) inclusion, (d) gender, (e) LGBT and (f) race. (15468)
- Claire Hanna (Belfast South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent discussions he has had with his Egyptian counterpart on (a) the arbitrary detainment of prisoners and (b) alleged human rights abuses in prisons in that country. (15517)
- Neil O'Brien (Harborough): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, how many staff in their Department have job titles that include the words (a) equality, (b) diversity, (c) inclusion, (d) gender, (e) LGBT and (f) race.
- 34 **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what progress he has made on arranging a meeting between the Moroccan ambassador and investors who lost money in the Paradise Gold and Beach Resort. (15451)
- Sarah Owen (Luton North): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps he is taking to help ensure more of the global population have access to education in their native language. (15485)
- Sarah Owen (Luton North): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps the Government took to mark United
 Nations International Mother Language Day. (15486)
- 37 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what meetings he has had with]Action Fraud since November 2023.

 (15493)
- 38 Feryal Clark (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of policing of car theft. (15494)
- 39 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps his Department is taking to help reduce car theft. (15495)
- 40 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment he has made of the trends in the level of cars being stolen by people under 18. (15496)
- 41 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will publish the minutes of meetings he has had on car theft since November 2023. (15497)
- 42 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate he has made of the number of stolen cars returned to their owners in each of the last three years. (15519)

- Tim Farron (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to this Oral Statement of 4 December 2023 on Legal Migration, Official Report, column 41, whether family members of individuals that met the previous skilled worker salary threshold will remain eligible for the route to settlement. (15429)
- Sir John Hayes (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether he plans to hold discussions with the Metropolitan Police on the projection of slogans relating to the Israel-Hamas conflict onto Elizabeth Tower on 21 February 2024. (15407)
- Sir John Hayes (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State 45 for the Home Department, whether his Department has provided guidance to the Metropolitan Police on tackling anti-Semitic (a) chants and (b) slogans during protests. (15408)
- 46 Marco Longhi (Dudley North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will make an assessment of the impact of Operation Nexus on tackling offending by foreign nationals; and how many people were arrested for immigration offences as part of Operation Nexus in each of the last ten years.
- 47 Marco Longhi (Dudley North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many serving police officers failed their first attempt at the Police Written Exercise. (15488)
- Neil O'Brien (Harborough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many staff in their Department have job titles that include the words (a) equality, (b) diversity, (c) inclusion, (d) gender, (e) LGBT and (f) race.
- 49 Ruth Cadbury (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the management structure is of the counter corruption unit in HM Prison and Probation Service; and how many people there are at each (a) grade and (b) specialism in the management structure. (15446)
- Neil O'Brien (Harborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many staff in their Department have job titles that include the words (a) equality, (b) diversity, (c) inclusion, (d) gender, (e) LGBT and (f) race. (15471)
- 51N Angela Crawley (Lanark and Hamilton East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the high income child benefit charge on children's living standards. [Transferred] (15299)
- 52N Angela Crawley (Lanark and Hamilton East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has had discussions with Cabinet colleagues on the potential merits of introducing changes to the child benefit system. [Transferred] (15300)
- 53N Angela Crawley (Lanark and Hamilton East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of increasing the child benefit allowance to £50 a week for all children. [Transferred] (15301)

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- 54N Angela Crawley (Lanark and Hamilton East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the self-assessment process on individuals that receive child benefit and pay the high income child benefit charge; and whether he plans to simplify the self-assessment process.

 [Transferred] (15302)
- 55N Angela Crawley (Lanark and Hamilton East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the high income child benefit charge on women.

 [Transferred] (15303)
- Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the support offered by HMRC to self-assessment customers who have been victims of scams by people impersonating HMRC. (15460)
- Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment he has made of the effectiveness of HMRC processes for (a) identifying and (b) tackling fraudulent self-assessment repayment claims. (15461)
- 58N **Stephen Doughty** (Cardiff South and Penarth): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many enforcement proceedings have been instated relating to the (a) Russia and (b) Belarus sanctioned regimes since 24 February 2022.[Transferred] (15287)
- 59 Claire Hanna (Belfast South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will increase the value of draught relief to 20% for qualifying beer and cider products in the spring Budget 2024. (15520)
- 60N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment with Cabinet colleagues of the potential impact of the level of VAT applied to (a) building refurbishment and renovations and (b) new build projects on resource efficiency in the construction sector. [Transferred] (15252)
- Neil O'Brien (Harborough): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many staff in their Department have job titles that include the words (a) equality, (b) diversity, (c) inclusion, (d) gender, (e) LGBT and (f) race.

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 28 February

Questions for Written Answer

1N Dame Diana Johnson (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will make an estimate of the number of people that would be eligible for compensation under the terms of the recommendations of the second interim report of Infected Blood Inquiry, published on 5 April 2023, in Kingston upon Hull North constituency.

- 2N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, whether the Church plans to commission an independent review of funds allocated by the Strategic Mission and Ministry Investment Board. (15413)
- 3N **Pat McFadden** (Wolverhampton South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, how much funding her Department and the predecessor Department (a) budgeted for and (b) spent on software updates to legacy computer systems in each of the last three financial years. (15426)
- 4N **Mr Tobias Ellwood** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to support Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Council to reduce the time taken to complete education, health and care plans. (15418)
- 5N Clive Lewis (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 21 February 2024 to Question 13588, on Academies, how her Department monitors whether capital receipts from the disposal of publicly funded playing fields by an academy trust are reinvested in improving sports provision at (a) the affected school and (b) local schools. (15463)
- 6N **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the net increase in the number of (a) Ofsted-registered childcare places suitable for children aged two or under, (b) Ofsted-registered childcare places suitable for children aged over two and (c) Ofsted-registered childcare places, suitable for delivery of the government's planned increase in childcare entitlements from 1 April 2024 was in each month since March 2023, broken down by local authority. (15437)
- 7N Alistair Strathern (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has had discussions with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on the steps they are taking to support the new Early Years Funding programme to ensure nurseries are viable.

 (15511)
- 8N Alistair Strathern (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has had discussions with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on the impact of the new Early Years Funding programme on the viability of providers where the Government's payments do not match the nurseries current fees. (15512)
- 9N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how much funding her Department and the predecessor Department has (a) budgeted for and (b) spent on software updates to legacy computer systems in each of the last three financial years. (15440)
- 10N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how much funding has been allocated for the Contracts for Difference: Allocation Round 6. (15414)

- 11N Alicia Kearns (Rutland and Melton): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether her Department plans to introduce a national motioning system to track land being developed for ground mounted solar. (15490)
- 12N **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what progress her Department has made on the fairness and affordability review on consumer energy bills. (15400)
- 13N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how much funding his Department has (a) budgeted for and (b) spent on software updates to legacy computer systems in each of the last three financial years. (15441)
- 14N **Sarah Edwards** (Tamworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, pursuant to the Answer of 5 February 2024 to Question 11923 on Levelling Up Fund: Tamworth Borough Council, for what reason this visit was categorised as political rather than ministerial. (15513)
- 15N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps his Department is taking to help support Ukrainian refugees living in the UK. (15505)
- 16N Gareth Thomas (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
 Housing and Communities, when he plans to respond to the correspondence of 31
 January 2023 from the hon. Member for Harrow West on the funding of the Inter
 Faith Network. (15402)
- 17N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, how much funding her Department and the predecessor Department has (a) budgeted for and (b) spent on software updates to legacy computer systems in each of the last three financial years. (15442)
- 18N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much funding his Department has (a) budgeted for and (b) spent on software updates to legacy computer systems in each of the last three financial years. (15443)
- 19N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of changing regulations on the weight of vans during the transition to electric vehicles. (15438)
- 20N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department is taking steps to help support individuals that wish to donate vehicles to Ukraine. (15506)
- 21N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how much funding his Department has (a) budgeted for and (b) spent on software updates to legacy computer systems in each of the last three financial years.

- 22N **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 the most recent twelve month period for which data is available.

 (15401)
- 23N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 16 November 2023 to Question 1604 on Cardiovascular Diseases, what her planned timetable is to respond to the report from the Government Champion for Personalised Prevention's taskforce on cardiovascular disease.
- 24N **Mr Tobias Ellwood** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of number of NHS dentists in Bournemouth East constituency. (15417)
- 25N Clive Lewis (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Answer of 1 February 2023 to Question 133573 on Income Support, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of the level of the minimum income guarantee on the (a) living standards and (b) quality of life of disabled people.
- 26N Clive Lewis (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of the level of the minimum income guarantee on (a) the quality of life of disabled people and (b) local authority budgets. (15465)
- 27N Alistair Strathern (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of shortages in supplies of (a) Elvanse 30mg and (b) other ADHD medication on the wellbeing of people with an ADHD diagnosis. (15510)
- 28N Fiona Bruce (Congleton): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will make an assessment of the effectiveness of the funding his Department has provided to NGOs to help support Rohingya people in Myanmar. (15431)
- 29N **Fiona Bruce** (Congleton): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will make an assessment of the effectiveness of the funding his Department provided to the International Organization for Migration for healthcare projects for the Rohingya people in Myanmar. (15432)
- 30N **Fiona Bruce** (Congleton): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will make an assessment of the effectiveness of the funding his Department has provided to healthcare projects for Rohingya and other Muslim minorities in the Rakhine state. (15433)

- 31N **Fiona Bruce** (Congleton): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of using the bilateral aid allocated to the Myanmar-UK Health Partnership programme to (a) support and (b) protect (i) nurses and (ii) healthcare workers targeted by the Junta regime in Myanmar. (15434)
- 32N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps the Government is taking to
 help support Ukraine's agricultural sector. (15504)
- 33N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will make representations to his
 Bahraini counterpart on the (a) arrest and (b) raid on the house of Sayed Hashim
 Neama Al-Wadaei on 22 February 2024, in the context of his mother's arrest for
 protesting during the 2023 Bahrain Grand Prix; and if he will make an assessment
 of the implications for his policies of these events.
- 34N Andy Slaughter (Hammersmith): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will make representations to
 his Saudi counterpart to support the implementation of his Department's
 recommendations at Saudi Arabia's Universal Periodic Review at the Human Rights
 Council. (15419)
- 35N Andy Slaughter (Hammersmith): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Office, what discussions he has had with his
 counterpart in Saudi Arabia on (a) the prosecution of Manahel al-Otaibi in the
 Specialised Criminal Court and (b) reports (i) relating to her treatment while in
 detention and (ii) that she has not been allowed contact with her family since
 November 2023.
- 36N Andy Slaughter (Hammersmith): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment he has made of the
 implications of his policies of the (a) number of executions, (b) reported increase
 in the number of women executed, (c) execution of people who were juveniles at
 the time of their alleged crimes and (d) offences which resulted in the imposition
 of the death penalty in Saudi Arabia in 2023.
- 37N Andy Slaughter (Hammersmith): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has made representations
 to his Saudi counterpart on the use of (a) judicial and (b) non-judicial travel bans
 on (i) prisoners of conscience released from prison and (ii) family members of
 peaceful activists in that country.

 (15422)
- 38N **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 22 February 2024 to Question 14503 on Asylum: Deportation, for what reason it would be disproportionately expensive to provide information on the number of flights cancelled; and if he will make it his policy to collect information on the number of flights cancelled in future. (15423)

- 39N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how often were drug-dogs used to search prison staff in the last 48 months. (15448)
- 40N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many prisoners were (a) charged and (b) convicted of bribing prison staff in the last five years. (15449)
- 41N **Wayne David** (Caerphilly): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps his Department is taking to assess the potential vulnerability of people prosecuted under the single justice procedure. (15409)
- 42N **Wayne David** (Caerphilly): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many and what proportion of cases under the single justice procedure were not progressed to prosecution because they were deemed to not be in the public interest due to the vulnerability of defendants in each year since 2021. (15410)
- 43N **Wayne David** (Caerphilly): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many and what proportion of cases under the single justice procedure were stopped by magistrates as not being in the public interest in each year since 2021. (15411)
- 44N **Wayne David** (Caerphilly): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what (a) support and (b) information is available to defendants who are prosecuted under the single justice procedure if they believe their prosecution is not in the public interest.
- 45N **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 the last year. (15435)
- 46N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what information does his Department collect on the method of attack used against prison officers following an assault. (15436)
- 47N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the accessibility of banking services to rural communities. (15507)
- 48N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he plans to take steps to avoid spirits producers forestalling sales to reduce the amount of duty they owe. (15480)
- 49N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate he has made of the cost to the public purse of the loss of spirits duty as a result of forestalling in each year since 2015. (15481)
- 50N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what the Government's timetable on closing the gender pay gap. (15415)

Questions for Answer on Thursday 29 February

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N Pat McFadden (Wolverhampton South East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how much funding was (a) budgeted for and (b) spent on software updates to legacy computer systems in departments that no longer exist in each of the last three financial years. (15428)
- 2N Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will publish a table on the net increase per quarter of the number of Ofsted-registered childcare places for children aged (a) two or under and (b) over two per local authority since 15 March 2023. (15466)
- 3N **Pat McFadden** (Wolverhampton South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much funding her Department (a) budgeted for and (b) spent on software updates to legacy computer systems in each of the last three financial years.
- 4N Mr Barry Sheerman (Huddersfield): Secretary for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether she is taking steps with Cabinet colleagues to monitor the effectiveness of the work undertaken by each department on helping to achieve the Government's net zero targets.

 [Transferred] (901721)
- 5N **Dr Philippa Whitford** (Central Ayrshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will have discussions with local authorities on the provision of utilities for areas with multiple large net zero projects planned. (15516)
- 6N **Sarah Edwards** (Tamworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department has had recent discussions with Tamworth Borough Council on the impact of inflation on its project to regenerate the town centre. (15514)
- 7N Sarah Edwards (Tamworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department has approved additional funding for the levelling up project in Tamworth. (15515)
- 8N Paula Barker (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of discontinuing the Household Support Fund on local government finances.

[Transferred] (15387)

9N **Nick Thomas-Symonds** (Torfaen): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much funding their Department has (a) budgeted for and (b) spent on software updates to legacy computer systems in each of the last three financial years. (15453)

- 10N **Nick Thomas-Symonds** (Torfaen): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Office, how much funding his Department has
 (a) budgeted for and (b) spent on software updates to legacy computer systems in
 each of the last three financial years. (15454)
- 11N **Nick Thomas-Symonds** (Torfaen): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how much funding their Department has (a) budgeted for and (b) spent on software updates to legacy computer systems in each of the last three financial years.

 (15456)
- 12N **Nick Thomas-Symonds** (Torfaen): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much funding their Department has (a) budgeted for and (b) spent on software updates to legacy computer systems in each of the last three financial years. (15457)
- 13N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many illicit mobile phones were found in prisons in (a) England and (b) Wales in each year since 2019. (15445)
- 14N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many hours of compulsory corruption prevention training are undertaken by new prison officers during their basic training. (15447)
- 15N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether he has made an estimate of the number of (a) prison officers and (b) other prison staff who have been (i) investigated, (ii) arrested and (iii) charged in relation to the supply of drugs in prisons in (A) 2018, (B) 2019, (C) 2020, (D) 2021, (E) 2022 and (F) 2023.
- 16N **Nick Thomas-Symonds** (Torfaen): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much funding his Department has (a) budgeted for and (b) spent on software updates to legacy computer systems in each of the last three financial years. (15455)

Questions for Answer on Friday 1 March

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N Steve McCabe (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 31 January 2024 to Question 12241 on Veterans, when he plans to implement the recommendations of the Independent Review of UK Government Welfare Services for Veterans, published on 17 July 2023. (15406)
- 2N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many veterans were prioritised for housing due to their homelessness status in the last year. (15404)

- 3N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what metrics his Department uses to measure the impact of armed forces champions in Jobcentres. (15403)
- 4N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of the accessibility of the application scheme for LGBT veterans to apply for restorative measures. (15405)