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# **Questions tabled on Thursday 14 March 2024**

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- T Indicates a topical oral question. Members are selected by ballot to ask a Topical Question.
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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 Friday 15 March

#### **Questions for Written Answer**

- Fabian Hamilton (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps she is taking to implement third-party certification to ensure e-bikes, e-scooters and their batteries are approved by an independent body before being available for sale.

  [Transferred] (18374)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking with career advice services to help ensure that young people leaving school can move into a (a) job and (b) apprenticeship. [Transferred] (18524)
- 3 Emma Hardy (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the Offshore Petroleum Licensing Bill on (a) Marine Protected Areas and (b) the Environment Act target for 70% of the designated features in the Marine Protected Area network to be in favourable condition by 2042. [Transferred] (18572)
- 4 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many slaughterhouses were registered with the Food Standards Agency in 2023. [Transferred] (18489)
- 5N Steve Reed (Croydon North): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, with reference to the press release by the Prime Minister, entitled Prime Minister commits £3bn UK climate finance to supporting nature, published on 11 January 2021, if he will provide a breakdown of where this money has been spent to date.

  [Transferred] (18175)

- Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether his Department is taking steps to require building owners and managers to (a) create and (b) maintain personal emergency evacuation plans for all disabled residents in high-rise blocks.

  [Transferred] (18563)
- 7 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether his Department has held recent discussions with disability advocacy groups on the (a) development and (b) implementation of personal emergency evacuation plans for disabled residents. [Transferred] (18564)
- 8 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what his planned timetable is for implementing (a) all outstanding recommendations and (b) the outstanding recommendations related to the safety of disabled residents in high-rise buildings in the Grenfell Tower Inquiry phase one report.

  [Transferred] (18565)
- 9 Peter Gibson (Darlington): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will establish a cross-departmental task force to tackle illegal motorcycling.
  [Transferred] (18612)

# Questions for Answer on Monday 18 March

#### **Questions for Written Answer**

- 1 Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he has made a recent assessment of the potential impact of unpaid internships on (a) social mobility and (b) equality of opportunity. (18768)
- Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to the notice by UK Export Finance entitled Category A project supported: INEOS Project One, Belgium, published on 14 April 2023, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of that decision on the development of (a) energy generation and (b) energy production sites in the UK.
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to ensure (a) maximum value for money and (b) equal regional distribution when awarding grant funding to businesses.

  (18746)
- 4 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether her Department is taking steps with Cabinet colleagues and Amazon to help support businesses that use that website to demonstrate that they are UK-based for VAT purposes. (18784)

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- Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure equitable access to the arts across communities in the UK. (18763)
- 6 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department has a long-term strategy to support the (a) expansion and (b) global competitiveness of creative industries. (18764)
- 7 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to (a) tackle disparities in access to the arts and (b) promote cultural engagement among underrepresented communities. (18765)
- 8 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to help (a) support and (b) increase (i) creative and (ii) cultural exports. (18766)
- 9 **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department has taken recent steps to support independent cinemas. (18821)
- 10N Karl Turner (Kingston upon Hull East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many seafarer apprentices have been trained by private shipping companies operating in the UK since 17 March 2022. [Transferred] (18422)
- 11 **Steve Double** (St Austell and Newquay): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to section 159 of the Energy Act 2023, whether she plans to consult on regulations for renewable liquid heating fuel. (18735)
- 12 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy
  Security and Net Zero, what steps she is taking to tackle methane emissions from
  organic waste through (a) the UNFCCC and (b) other international fora. (18694)
- 13 **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps she plans to take to ensure that companies bidding for support under the Contracts for Difference Scheme are not solely reliant on China's solar photovoltaic supply chain. (18681)
- 14 **Dehenna Davison** (Bishop Auckland): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will have discussions with Forest Holidays UK on the potential impact of their developments on (a) ecology and (b) habitats. (18804)
- 15 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help tackle the kidnappings of schoolchildren in Nigeria. (18802)

- Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what his timeframe is for publishing the terms of reference for the cross-government delivery board on the (a) 25-year environment plan and (b) environmental improvement plan. (18693)
- 17 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of the (a) current and (b) future (i) capacity and (ii) performance of sewage and drainage infrastructure in (A) England and (B) York. (18737)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to ensure that new (a) residential and (b) commercial developments do not overload local sewers. (18738)
- 19 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of infrastructure in preventing sewage releases into rivers. (18739)
- 20 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will take steps to move water companies that do not restrict sewage spills under an operator of last resort. (18740)
- 21 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, by what criteria he grades the cleanliness of rivers. (18741)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to provide public health warnings over the risk to (a) people and (b) animals of entering rivers into which sewage has been released.

  (18742)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when he expects sewage releases into (a) the River Foss, (b) the River Ouse and (c) their tributaries to stop. (18743)
- 24 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of (a) sewage and (b) other contaminants in the river system on the food chain. (18744)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will take steps to ensure water companies provide compensation for (a) businesses and (b) residential properties flooded with sewage in the water. (18745)
- Daniel Zeichner (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will publish the scientific (a) findings and (b) advice submitted by the Government to the International Centre for the Exploration of the Seas in respect of pollack in area VI(6) and area VII(7) in (i) 2022 and (ii) 2023.

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27 Daniel Zeichner (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to his Department's press release entitled Government announces next steps to support pollack fishermen, published on 23 February 2024, and the Centre for Environment Fisheries and Aquaculture Science's invitation to commercial fishers to register an interest in the forthcoming pollack population size study in the western English Channel, published on 12 March 2024, what the (a) estimated cost and (b) planned timetable for the study is; and what plans he has to publish (i) analysis and (ii) a report of this work for

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Daniel Zeichner (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many studies the Centre for Environment Fisheries and Aquaculture Science has (a) conducted and (b) completed using close-kin DNA analysis; and on what species those studies focused. (18722)

the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea.

- Mike Amesbury (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an assessment of the potential financial impact on homeowners of nearby (a) sewage systems and (b) highways not being completed.

  (18798)
- Mike Amesbury (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many high rise buildings above 11 metres required (a) demolition, (b) rebuilding and (c) refurbishment as a result of (i) fire and (ii) flooding in the last year.
- Andrew Lewer (Northampton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what (a) policy and (b) regulatory steps his Department is taking to enable greater competition amongst utility providers to ensure the speedy delivery of green homes. (18797)
- Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling
  Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an assessment of the potential
  implications for his Department's policies of the report by Women's Aid entitled
  Domestic Abuse Report 2024, The Annual Audit, published in February 2024;
  and whether his Department is taking steps to increase funding for the specialist
  domestic abuse sector.
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what recent steps his Department has taken to increase the building of homes in rural areas. (18706)
- 34N **Alistair Strathern** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what information his Department holds on the average timeframe for local authorities to enter into section 38 agreements from when they are first proposed. (18824)

- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he has taken to ensure passenger (a) safety levels and (b) confidence on the rail network (i) during strike action and (ii) when minimum service levels are used.

  (18776)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to ensure that the recruitment process for a new head of Great British Railways is transparent. (18777)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many miles of previously closed train lines have been reopened since the publication of the Williams Review. (18778)
- Stephen Morgan (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether there is any rolling stock in use that does not meet standards for (a) air quality and (b) workforce exposure limits set by the Office of Rail and Road. (18779)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will publish recorded incidents of Network Rail failing to meet maintenance standards set by the Office of Rail and Road in each of the last five years. (18780)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he has taken to improve the performance of train services between London and Ashford. (18781)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of the performance of trains between Ashford and Rye. (18782)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent discussions he has had with the Minister for the Cabinet Office on Civil Service pay structures for the appointment of the head of Great British Railways.
- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what was the original cost of the Access for All project at Mill Hill Broadway station. (18701)
- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the estimated cost is of the Access for All project at Mill Hill Broadway station. (18702)
- **Henry Smith** (Crawley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether the review of slots policy will clarify the exemption for non-use of slots for reasons outside the control of the carrier. (18696)
- 46 Duncan Baker (North Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many starts by region have been recorded for the youth offer as of 01 March 2024. (18807)

- 47 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 26 March 2018 to Question 133803 on Universal Credit, what progress he has made on developing guidance for (a) Universal Credit claimants and (b) his Department's staff on the reporting and treatment of unreimbursed expenses. (18785)
- 48 Charlotte Nichols (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether he has had recent discussions with (a) housing associations and (b) renter groups on the potential impact of a 53 week rent year in 2024-25. (18812)
- 49N Liz Saville Roberts (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of extending the scope of Adventure Activities Licensing Regulations to include voluntary organisations.

  [Transferred] (18540)
- John Spellar (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, when he plans to respond to the letter of 18 October 2023 from the hon. Member for Warley relating to Mr Bashir Ali and his father Aden Ali Dine. (18646)
- Dr Rosena Allin-Khan (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of widening the availability of the shingles vaccination to those aged between 66 and 69 years old.

  (18759)
- 52 **Dehenna Davison** (Bishop Auckland): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has taken steps to amend NICE guidelines relating to potentially painful and unnecessary hysteroscopies for people requiring diagnostic testing for cancer. (18803)
- Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to support hospital trusts with significant waiting lists to (a) share and (b) implement best practices in (i) England and (ii) Slough constituency. (18767)
- Anneliese Dodds (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many women's health hubs were open on 29 February 2024. (18793)
- Anneliese Dodds (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment she has made of the adequacy of the number of women's health hubs open on 29 February 2024. (18794)
- 56 Anneliese Dodds (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to reduce the time taken for endometriosis diagnoses. (18795)
- Anneliese Dodds (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment she has made of the effectiveness of women's health hubs in reducing waiting times for women's health (a) diagnoses and (b) treatment.

- Preet Kaur Gill (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many extra (a) appointments and (b) treatments will be delivered through each element of the dentistry recovery plan. (18761)
- 59 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many children in England have been issued puberty blockers since 2019. (18647)
- Jane Hunt (Loughborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to improve levels of GP retention. (18814)
- Gare, what steps her Department has taken to support GPs with increases in workloads; and what recent assessment she has made of the effectiveness of this support.

  (18815)
- 62 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will (a) make an assessment of the effectiveness of clinical research practices in Singapore and (b) use that assessment to improve clinical research in the UK.
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will develop the workforce recruitment and retention strategy to allow clinicians to be involved in clinical research. (18754)
- Stephen Morgan (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing additional funding to help reduce the number of suicides in high-frequency suicide locations (a) along the south coast and (b) in the UK. (18786)
- Stephen Morgan (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will take steps to commission research into the (a) adequacy of the support provided and (b) potential merits of providing alternative support to local authorities to help reduce the rate of suicide in high-frequency suicide locations.
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people under the age of 18 were diagnosed with ADHD in the last 12 months.
  (18705)
- 67 **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment she has made of the mental health and wellbeing of student nurses in England. (18729)
- 68 **Julian Sturdy** (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to support people living with postural tachycardia syndrome. (18703)

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69 **Julian Sturdy** (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to increase (a) awareness of and (b) research investment in postural tachycardia syndrome.

(18704)

James Wild (North West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to her Oral Statement of 7 February 2024 on NHS Dentistry: Recovery and Reform, Official Report, columns 251-253, what her planned timetable is for the deployment of dental vans in (a) Norfolk and (b) North West Norfolk constituency.

(18809)

- James Wild (North West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to her Oral Statement of 7 February 2024 on NHS Dentistry: Recovery and Reform, Official Report, columns 251-253, what her planned timetable is for the deployment of mobile dental teams in schools; and what criteria she plans to use to determine their locations. (18810)
- James Wild (North West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to her Oral Statement of 7 February 2024 on NHS Dentistry: Recovery and Reform, Official Report, columns 251-253, which areas will be included in the first cohort to offer golden hello payments to dentists. (18811)
- 73 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of (a) recent violence in the Abyei Administrative Area and (b) the capacity of the UN Interim Security Force for Abyei (UNISFA) to protect civilians affected by that violence; and what recent discussions he has had with (i) UNISFA, (ii) the authorities in South Sudan, (iii) the African Union and (iv) the Intergovernmental Authority on Development on the situation in Abyei. (18685)
- Jeremy Corbyn (Islington North): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Office what steps his Department takes to
  ensure that a significant percentage of the funds awarded to Options Consultancy
  Ltd reaches grassroots led organisations. (18639)
- 75 **Sir Iain Duncan Smith** (Chingford and Woodford Green): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps he has taken to investigate (a) Bank Saderat PLC, (b) Melli Bank PLC and (c) other Iranian financial institutions based in the UK with links to the Iranian Government. (18629)
- 76 Sir lain Duncan Smith (Chingford and Woodford Green): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps he is taking to ensure that UK financial institutions comply with UK sanctions against Iran. (18630)
- 77 **Sir Iain Duncan Smith** (Chingford and Woodford Green): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps he plans to take to hold to account UK-based (a) entities and (b) people continuing to deal with the (i) Iranian Government and (ii) IRGC in breach of UK sanctions. (18631)

- 78 Sir Iain Duncan Smith (Chingford and Woodford Green): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps his Department plans to take to tackle hostile activities by the Iranian regime in the UK, in the context of recent reports of (a) threats to British journalists and human rights defenders by the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps and (b) the use UK-based banks to procure funds in breach of UK sanctions. (18632)
- 79 **Sir Iain Duncan Smith** (Chingford and Woodford Green): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, for what reason the Government has not proscribed the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps; and what discussions he has had with his US counterpart on that issue. (18633)
- 80 **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): 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 recent comments by the President Putin on the potential placement of Russian forces on the Russian-Finnish border. (18652)
- Fabian Hamilton (Leeds North East): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Office, whether his Department is taking steps
  to provide additional funding for security in Haiti in the context of recent violence
  in that country.

  (18653)
- 82 **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent steps he has taken to help ensure the safety of health workers in Gaza. (18771)
- 83 **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps he is taking to help support (a) civilians and (b) faith groups observe Ramadan in Gaza. (18772)
- 84 **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Office, how much the Partnership for Global
  Infrastructure and Investment has spent on increasing the capacity of solar
  photovoltaic manufacturing. (18682)
- 85 Zarah Sultana (Coventry South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps his Department plans to take at the UN Security Council as the penholder for Colombia's 2016 peace agreement following the Security Council visit to that country. (18808)
- Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps he is taking to ensure that the application process for visa renewals for care workers is efficient. (18769)
- 87 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what discussions he has had with the home care sector on the impact of changes to care worker visa policy. (18770)

- Jonathan Gullis (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of illegal migrants were (a) in Stoke-on-Trent and (b) housed in hotels in Stoke-on-Trent in the last 12 months; and how many have been removed since October 2023. (18813)
- 89 **Stuart C McDonald** (Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 26 February 2024 to Question 14330 on Seasonal Workers, who is responsible for ensuring that seasonal workers receive a minimum of 32 hour's pay each week for each week of their time in the UK; and what steps his Department is taking to support enforcement of this. (18726)
- 90 **Stuart C McDonald** (Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, who is responsible for (a) accommodating, (b) maintaining, (c) supporting and (d) compensating workers in the UK on the Seasonal Worker visa who become ill; who is responsible for (i) monitoring and (ii) enforcing this right; and which body handles complaints on healthcare support for those workers. (18727)
- John Penrose (Weston-super-Mare): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when he will plans reply to the letters of 15 January and 12 February 2024 from the Hon. Member for Weston-super-Mare on behalf of a constituent about potential examples of two-tier policing in the UK. (18686)
- 92 Andrew Percy (Brigg and Goole): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many asylum claims have been successfully made by citizens of (a) Israel, (b) the United States, (c) Canada, (d) New Zealand, (e) Australia, (f) Germany, (g)Spain, (h) France and (i) Italy in each of the last five years. (18695)
- 93N **Alistair Strathern** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether the additional funding provided to the police in the Spring Budget 2024, HC 560, published on 6 March 2024, will have a consequential impact on the police allocation formula. (18826)
- 94 **Douglas Chapman** (Dunfermline and West Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has had recent discussions with his US counterpart on the (a) provision and (b) location of further bases for US (i) personnel and (ii) equipment in the UK.
- 95 Martin Docherty-Hughes (West Dunbartonshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the conclusions of the First Report of the Defence Committee, Ready for War?, HC 26, the Eighth Report of the Committee of Public Accounts, Improving Defence Inventory Management, HC 66, and the Nineteenth Report of the Committee of Public Accounts, MoD Equipment Plan 2023-33, HC 451. (18718)

- 96 Martin Docherty-Hughes (West Dunbartonshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the impact of his Department's expenditure on a replacement nuclear deterrent on the non-nuclear equipment budget.

  (18719)
- 97 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the annual budget was for the Future Capability Group in each year since 2019.
- 98 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the annual budget was for the Land Equipment Commercial Team in each year since 2019. (18660)
- 99 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the annual budget was for the Weapons Commercial Team in each year since 2019.
- 100 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the annual budget was for the Helicopters Commercial Team in each year since 2019.
  (18662)
- 101 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the annual budget was for the Integrated Battlespace Commercial Team in each year since 2019. (18663)
- 102 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the projected annual budget is for the Future Maritimes Platforms Team in (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26. (18664)
- 103 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the projected annual budget is for the Naval Ships Support Team in (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26. (18665)
- 104 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the projected annual budget is for the Maritime Combat Systems Team for (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26.
- 105 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the projected annual budget is for the Marine Systems Support Team in (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26. (18667)
- 106 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the projected annual budget is for the Boats Team in (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26.
- 107 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the projected annual budget is for the Future and Common Support Services

  Team in (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26. (18669)

- 108 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the projected annual budget is for the Land Combat Vehicles Team in (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26. (18670)
- 109 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the annual budget for the Fires, Infrastructure, and Manoeuvre Support Team at Defence Equipment and Support is for (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26.
- 110 Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the projected annual budget is for the Vehicle Support Team in (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26.
- 111 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the projected annual budget is for the Soldier Training and Special Projects
  Team in (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26. (18673)
- 112 James Gray (North Wiltshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much VAT was paid by his Department to HM Treasury in each of the last three years; whether such payments are notional balance sheet transactions; and whether such payment count towards the NATO target of 2 percent of GDP spent on defence.
- James Gray (North Wiltshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, which pensions his Department has responsibility for are counted towards the NATO target of spending two percent of GDP on defence; and what the value of such pension payments was in the latest period for which figures are available. (18641)
- 114 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of his Department's budget for its military capability requirements. (18788)
- 115 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to future proof the Armed Forces against new security threats. (18789)
- 116 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that the UK meets its obligations to NATO. (18790)
- 117 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of service accommodation.

  (18791)
- 118 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to the adequacy of staffing levels in the Armed Forces. (18792)

- 119 Andrew Bridgen (North West Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, whether he has had recent discussions with the Scottish Government on the (a) reasons for which they have appointed and (b) cost of appointing an international development Minister. (18707)
- 120 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether his Department plans to increase the regulation digital buy-now pay-later products. (18773)
- 121 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will bring forward legislative proposals to improve the regulation of debt collection practices. (18774)
- Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to paragraph 3.5 of Treasury minutes: Government response to the Committee of Public Accounts on the Second report from Session 2023-24, HC 78, published 8 March 2024, how much and what proportion of funding to tackle RAAC concentrate in schools will come from (a) existing and (b) additional budget funding.
- 123NGill Furniss (Sheffield, Brightside and Hillsborough): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of abolishing National Insurance Contributions on pensioners' finances. [Transferred] (18542)
- 124N Gill Furniss (Sheffield, Brightside and Hillsborough): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of abolishing National Insurance Contributions on funding for state pensions.

  [Transferred] (18543)
- 125NGill Furniss (Sheffield, Brightside and Hillsborough): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of abolishing National Insurance Contributions on determining eligibility criteria for the state pension.

  [Transferred] (18544)
- 126 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of bank closures on (a) local communities and (b) elderly people's access to banking services. (18747)

# Questions for Answer on Tuesday 19 March

#### **Questions for Written Answer**

1N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what the cost to the public purse has been of the GREAT campaign since its re-launch in 2021. (18710)

- 2N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what estimate he has made of the level of UK investment generated by the GREAT campaign since its re-launch in 2021. (18711)
- 3N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what his latest estimate is of the amount of investment that will be generated by the GREAT Study UK campaign. (18712)
- 4N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she has had discussions with her counterpart in Ukraine on the role of Ukraine's private sector in the country's economic resilience (a) during and (b) after the war.
- Jonathan Ashworth (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, with reference to pages 31 and 32 of the report entitled Cross-Government Fraud Landscape: Annual Report 2022, published on 21 March 2023, what assessment she has made of the reasons for the increase in detected error in her Department from £0.0 in 2019-20 to £0.1 in 2020-21.
- 6N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps her Department has taken to support users of off-grid energy with energy costs. (18816)
- 7N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps her Department has taken to improve the energy efficiency of older homes. (18817)
- 8N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, pursuant to the Answer of 14 March 2024 to Question 17929 on Energy: Overseas Companies, which overseas energy companies registered in the UK have received funding from her (a) Department and (b) predecessor Department in excess of £50 million in each year since 2021. (18806)
- 9N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will set a food waste reduction target for the Waste and Resources Action Programme. (18679)
- 10N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department plans to take to mitigate the threat from bluetongue virus as the midge vector increases in activity.

  (18820)
- 11N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department is taking steps to help tackle microplastic pollution originating from textiles. (18683)
- 12N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent progress he has made on implementing the Animals (Low-Welfare Activities Abroad) Act 2023. (18691)

- 13N Jonathan Ashworth (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to pages 31 and 32 of the report entitled Cross-Government Fraud Landscape: Annual Report 2022, published on 21 March 2023, what assessment he has made of the reasons for the increase in detected error in his Department from £0.0m in 2019-20 to £0.2m in 2020-21. (18708)
- 14N **Alistair Strathern** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what discussions he has had with local authorities on ensuring that residents do not live on estates without completed works of estate adoption. (18825)
- 15N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps she is taking to ensure regional representation on the UK Semiconductor Advisory Panel. (18678)
- 16N **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many diesel (a) cars and (b) vans were registered for the first time in each (i) region of England and (ii) borough in Greater London in each month in 2023. (18634)
- 17N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, on what dates the Maritime and Coastguard Agency carried out port state control inspections of the (a) P&O Pioneer and (b) P&O Liberte ferries in Dover under the Merchant Shipping (Inspections of Ro-Ro Passenger Ships and High-Speed Passenger Craft) Regulations 2023. (18699)
- 18N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he has taken to ensure that crew employment conditions on the (a) P&O Pioneer and (b) P&O Liberte ferries are compliant with the (i) ILO Maritime Labour Convention and (ii) Seafarers' Charter. (18700)
- 19N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will hold discussions with of manufacturers of electronic vehicles on estimates of mileage ranges achievable in new vehicles. (18676)
- 20N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate he has made of the impact that changes in the national (a) living and (b) minimum wage commencing on 1 April 2024 will have on staffing costs in his Department; and how many staff in his Department will receive a pay uplift as a result of those changes. (18697)
- 21N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate she has made (a) of the number of vaping products that have been seized by trading standards and (b) of those, the number that (i) were non-compliant with UK regulations and (ii) have gone through the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency notification process. (18760)
- 22N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much additional funding will be provided to integrated care boards through the dentistry recovery plan by area. (18762)

- 23N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment her Department has made of the adequacy of the level of funding provided for dementia care and research. (18818)
- 24N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent steps her Department has taken to support access to dentists in (a) Penrith and The Border constituency and (b) England. (18819)
- 25N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she plans to take steps to help increase productivity in the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency. (18748)
- 26N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to help increase the capacity of the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency. (18749)
- 27N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has received representations from the scientific community on the efficiency of the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency. (18750)
- 28N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has made an assessment of the adequacy of funding provided to the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency. (18751)
- 29N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to (a) monitor and (b) report on the performance of the MHRA.

  (18752)
- 30N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether her Department has made a recent assessment of the adequacy of reporting the incidence of Group B streptococcal infections in newborns.

  (18687)
- 31N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether her Department has made an estimate of the annual economic costs of Group B streptococcus infections in newborns on the NHS. (18688)
- 32N **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 (a) active and (b) passive surveillance measures in informing prevention strategies for infectious diseases in newborn babies. (18689)
- 33N Karin Smyth (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans NHS England has to update the standard protocol for the Targeted Lung Health Check programme to reflect work carried out by the National Screening Committee's lung cancer screening task group. (18730)

- 34N Karin Smyth (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much funding has been allocated to (a) implementing the national roll-out of lung cancer screening and (b) increasing CT scanner capacity to support the national roll-out of lung cancer screening in each financial year until 2027-2028. (18731)
- 35N Karin Smyth (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will publish an assessment of the CT scanner capacity required to support the national roll-out of lung cancer screening by 2028. (18732)
- 36N Karin Smyth (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many Targeted Lung Health Check sites are planned to begin operation in each financial year until 2027-28. (18733)
- 37N **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate she has made of the additional resources required in (a) primary care, (b) thoracic surgery and (c) systemic anti-cancer therapy clinics following the implementation of a national lung cancer screening programme. (18734)
- 38N Alan Brown (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Office, pursuant to the Answer of 1 March
  2024 to Question 15935 on Hamas: UNRWA and with reference to his oral
  contribution of 27 February 2024 on Israel and Gaza, Official Report, column 155,
  what evidence his Department received from Israel on the allegations against the
  UN Relief and Works Agency; and if he will make an assessment of the adequacy
  of Israel's cooperation with UN investigations into those allegations. (18736)
- 39N Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment he has made of the
  implications for his policies of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for
  Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) statement entitled, At least one
  UNRWA staff killed when Israeli Forces hit UNRWA centre used for food and
  lifesaving supplies, published on 13 March 2024. (18775)
- 40N **Jeremy Corbyn** (Islington North): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Office, what criteria his Department uses to
  determine whether to allocate funding to organisations to help tackle FGM in
  Kenya. (18635)
- 41N **Jeremy Corbyn** (Islington North): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Office, to which (a) charities and (b) other
  organisations his Department has allocated funding to help tackle FGM in the last
  five years.

  (18636)
- 42N **Jeremy Corbyn** (Islington North): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Office, what criteria his Department uses
  to assess the effectiveness of programs working on eradicating FGM that his
  Department (a) has awarded and (b) plans to award funds to. (18637)

- 43N **Jeremy Corbyn** (Islington North): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Office, what funding from the public purse
  was provided to grassroots organisations working to eradicate FGM in their
  communities in each of the last five years. (18638)
- 44N Fabian Hamilton (Leeds North East): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Office, what discussions he has had with his
  Indian counterpart on the case of Muhammed Yasin Malik. (18651)
- 45N **Michael Shanks** (Rutherglen and Hamilton West): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, pursuant to the Answer of 20 November 2023 to Question 1784 on Vladimir Kara-Murza, what progress his Department has made on securing the release of Vladimir Kara-Murza; and what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the sanctions on the 13 individuals related to this case.
- 46N Nadia Whittome (Nottingham East): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Office, pursuant to his answer of 12 March
  2024 to Question 16922 on Egypt: Gaza, if he will make representations to his
  Egyptian counterparts ton (a) an investigation into the alleged demand for large
  sums of money from Palestinians seeking to exit Gaza and (b) an immediate end
  to any system in place that allows for this practice. (18822)
- 47N **Jessica Morden** (Newport East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people had Section 67 leave to remain on 14 March 2024; how many and what proportion of those people had been contacted by his Department to discuss their options for when their leave expires by 14 March 2024; and what guidance his Department has issued on the options available to people when their Section 67 leave expires. (18684)
- 48N Bell Ribeiro-Addy (Streatham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
  Department, if he will make it his policy to introduce a strategy to fund specialist
  services to support victims of violence that are (a) disabled, (b) an ethnic minority,
  (c) an religious minority, (d) identify as being LGBTQIA+ and (e) with no recourse
  to public funds.

  (18805)
- 49N Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the annual budget was for the International Relations Group in each year since 2019. (18655)
- 50N Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the annual budget was for the Domain Commercial Officers in each year since 2019.
- 51N Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the annual budget was for the Air Support Commercial Team in each year since 2019.

- 52N Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the annual budget was for the Combat Air Commercial Team in each year since 2019. (18658)
- 53N Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the annual budget was for the Ships Commercial Team in each year since 2019.
- 54N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many personnel had served in the Armed Forces for four years or more in each of the last five years. (18648)
- 55N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many personnel in the Armed Forces have had (a) four and (b) five years of service in (i) 2023 and (ii) 2024. (18649)
- 56N **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when his Department expects to take delivery of new Chinook H-47 extended range aircraft.

  (18680)
- 57N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what discussions his Department had with (a) probation officers, (b) senior probation officers and (c) trade union officials representing probation officers before announcing the extension of the end of custody supervised license scheme.

  (18724)
- 58N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, when he expects to receive the report of HM Chief Inspector of Probation's thematic review of probation recall culture and practice. (18677)
- 59N Janet Daby (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will publish the number of reoffenders aged 18 years or over by (a) age and (b) offence type for the year ending March 2023. (18801)
- 60N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate he has made of the impact that changes in the national (a) living and (b) minimum wage commencing on 1 April 2024 will have on staffing costs in his Department; and how many staff in his Department will receive a pay uplift as a result of those changes. (18698)

## Questions for Answer on Wednesday 20 March

#### **Questions for Written Answer**

- 1N Liam Byrne (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how much and what proportion of the funding for Post Office redress schemes has been allocated to fund the Group Litigation Order scheme. (18674)
- 2N Liam Byrne (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 11 March 2024 to Question 16678 on Department for Business and Trade: Supply Estimates, for what reason she has not provided the explanatory memorandum on her Department's supplementary estimates to the Business and Trade Committee; and when she plans to do so. (18675)
- 3N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the cost was of the consultation on moving children's cancer services for South London and the South East of England. (18757)
- 4N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate she has made of the cost of moving children's cancer services for South London and the South East of England to the Evelina . (18758)
- 5N **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of people (a) received and (b) repaid a refugee integration loans since 2007. (18800)
- 6N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many individuals will be released under the end of custody supervised license scheme in 2024. (18723)
- 7N Ruth Cadbury (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether female prisoners will be eligible for release 60 days early under the End of Custody Supervised Licence. (18725)
- 8N Fabian Hamilton (Leeds North East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he plans to take steps to financially support short term holiday let operators when the Furnished Holiday Let tax scheme is ended. (18650)

#### **Oral Questions to the Minister for Women and Equalities**

- 1 **Debbie Abrahams** (Oldham East and Saddleworth): What recent discussions she has had with the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities on implementing a definition of Islamophobia. (902123)
- Peter Gibson (Darlington): What recent steps the Government has taken to implement the HIV Action Plan. (902124)

- **Nicola Richards** (West Bromwich East): What discussions she has had with Cabinet colleagues on support for Israeli victims of sexual abuse by Hamas. (902125)
- **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): If she will make an estimate of when the gender pay gap will be closed. (902126)
- **Gerald Jones** (Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney): What steps the Government is taking to help support women experiencing menopause at work. (902127)
- **Ian Lavery** (Wansbeck): What recent assessment she has made of the potential merits of introducing disability pay gap reporting. (902128)
- 7 Fleur Anderson (Putney): What steps she is taking with the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities to help reduce faith-based discrimination and harassment. (902129)
- 8 Marco Longhi (Dudley North): What steps she is taking to help increase inclusivity and accessibility at work for disabled people. (902130)
- **Neale Hanvey** (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath): What recent discussions she has had with Cabinet colleagues on Government support for the health of gay, lesbian and bisexual young people. (902131)
- **Nick Fletcher** (Don Valley): What steps she is taking with the Secretary of State for Education to help close the gap in exam results between boys and girls. (902132)
- **Rosie Duffield** (Canterbury): What steps she is taking with the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care to help reduce maternal mortality. (902133)
- **Maggie Throup** (Erewash): What recent steps the Government has taken to implement the HIV Action Plan. (902134)
- Alex Cunningham (Stockton North): What recent discussions she has had with the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities on the work of the Anti-Muslim Hatred Working Group.

  (902135)
- **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): What steps she is taking with Cabinet colleagues to ensure that people with neurodivergent conditions receive appropriate and accessible support when using public services. (902136)
- **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): If she will bring forward legislative proposals to exclude caste as a protected characteristic from the Equality Act 2010. (902137)

### **Topical Questions to the Minister for Women and Equalities**

T1	<b>Selaine Saxby</b> (North Devon): If she will make a statement on her departme responsibilities.	ntal (902153)
T2	Chi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central):	(902154)
T3	Sarah Dyke (Somerton and Frome):	(902155)
T4	Steve Tuckwell (Uxbridge and South Ruislip):	(902156)
T5	Mrs Flick Drummond (Meon Valley):	(902157)
Т6	Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford):	(902158)
T7	Mr Virendra Sharma (Ealing, Southall):	(902159)
T8	Debbie Abrahams (Oldham East and Saddleworth):	(902160)

#### **Oral Ouestions to the Prime Minister**

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1	<b>Giles Watling</b> (Clacton): If he will list his official engagements for Wednesday 20 March.	0 (902138)		
2	Nickie Aiken (Cities of London and Westminster):	(902139)		
3	Mrs Sheryll Murray (South East Cornwall):	(902140)		
4	Sir Edward Leigh (Gainsborough):	(902141)		
5	Layla Moran (Oxford West and Abingdon):	(902142)		
6	Sir Mark Hendrick (Preston):	(902143)		
7	Mohammad Yasin (Bedford):	(902144)		
8	Angela Richardson (Guildford):	(902145)		
9	<b>Sir Bill Wiggin</b> (North Herefordshire): Whether the Government plans to intervene in the running of children's services by Herefordshire Council. (902146)			
10	Hannah Bardell (Livingston):	(902147)		
11	Sir Liam Fox (North Somerset):	(902148)		
12	Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton):	(902149)		
13	Andrew Rosindell (Romford):	(902150)		
14	Ashley Dalton (West Lancashire):	(902151)		
15	Sarah Atherton (Wrexham):	(902152)		

### Questions for Answer on Thursday 21 March

#### **Questions for Written Answer**

- 1N Damian Green (Ashford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to ensure that the introduction of the EU Entry/Exit System does not delay cross-Channel rail travellers. (18628)
- 2N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how much and what proportion of his Department's funding is allocated to (a) employing and (b) supporting armed forces champions in jobcentre plus districts.
- 3N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she has taken to promote Op Courage to veterans. (18643)
- 4N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the effectiveness of the Op Courage awareness campaign since its launch on 9 January 2024. (18644)
- 5N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will have discussions with local authorities on introducing veteran-awareness training for local authority social care teams. (18645)
- 6N **Stephen Doughty** (Cardiff South and Penarth): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent discussions he has had with his (a) European and (b) US counterparts on (i) seizing and (ii) re-purposing Russian state assets to support the financing of Ukraine's reconstruction. (18713)
- 7N **Stephen Doughty** (Cardiff South and Penarth): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps he is taking to support a lasting peace between Armenia and Azerbaijan. (18714)
- 8N **Stephen Doughty** (Cardiff South and Penarth): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps he is taking to secure the UK's interests in the High North. (18715)
- 9N **Stephen Doughty** (Cardiff South and Penarth): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps he is taking to secure the release of Vladimir Kara-Murza. (18716)
- 10N **Stephen Doughty** (Cardiff South and Penarth): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what plans he has to (a) make an assessment of the adequacy of the Navalny list and (b) review further sanctions on Russia. (18717)

#### **Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Transport**

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- 1 Matt Hancock (West Suffolk): What his planned timetable is for the upgrading of Haughley and Ely rail junctions. (902088)
- **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): What recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of bus service levels in England. (902089)
- **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): What recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of seafarer welfare standards on P&O Ferries' fleet. (902090)
- **Michael Fabricant** (Lichfield): What steps he is taking to help local authorities improve local transport in the West Midlands. (902091)
- **Karl Turner** (Kingston upon Hull East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent assessment he has made of seafarer welfare standards on P&O Ferries' fleet.
- **Neale Hanvey** (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath): If he will make an assessment of the potential merits of creating new direct ferry links to mainland Europe. (902093)
- 7 Mark Logan (Bolton North East): What steps he is taking to support motorists. (902094)
- **Lloyd Russell-Moyle** (Brighton, Kemptown): What estimate he has made of the cost to the public purse of delays to planned rail reforms. (902095)
- **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): What steps he is taking to support active travel in Newcastle upon Tyne. (902096)
- **Elliot Colburn** (Carshalton and Wallington): What steps he is taking to improve rail services. (902097)
- **Richard Foord** (Tiverton and Honiton): What recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of local bus services. (902098)
- **Rachel Maclean** (Redditch): What steps he is taking to help local authorities improve local transport in the West Midlands. (902099)
- **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): What steps he is taking to improve bus services in Leeds. (902100)
- 14 Harriett Baldwin (West Worcestershire): Whether he has made a recent assessment of the potential merits of dualling the North Cotswold Line between Oxford and Worcester. (902101)
- **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): What steps he is taking to improve rail services. (902102)
- **Katherine Fletcher** (South Ribble): What steps he is taking to improve transport connectivity in cities in the north of England. (902103)
- **Mick Whitley** (Birkenhead): What steps he is taking to tackle the use of dismissal and re-engagement of workers in the maritime industry. (902104)

18	Rosie Duffield (Canterbury): What steps he is taking to help repair potholes on	
	roads in Kent.	(902105)

- **Mrs Sheryll Murray** (South East Cornwall): Whether he is taking steps to bring critical national infrastructure routes under his Department's control. (902106)
- **Sarah Dyke** (Somerton and Frome): What support he is providing for public transport in Somerset. (902107)
- **Danny Kruger** (Devizes): What his planned timetable is for publication of the M4 to Dorset Coast Connectivity Study. (902108)
- **Tom Hunt** (Ipswich): What funding his Department is providing for road resurfacing. (902109)
- **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): What estimate he has made of the cost to the public purse of delays to planned rail reforms. (902110)
- **Mr Alistair Carmichael** (Orkney and Shetland): What recent discussions he has had with the operators of helicopter search and rescue services on response times. (902111)
- **Patricia Gibson** (North Ayrshire and Arran): What assessment he has made of the potential impact of the Spring Budget 2024 on his Department's spending plans.

  (902112)

#### **Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Transport**

T1	<b>Chi Onwurah</b> (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): If he will make a statement or departmental responsibilities.	his (902113)
T2	Anna Firth (Southend West):	(902114)
T3	Mark Eastwood (Dewsbury):	(902115)
T4	Karl Turner (Kingston upon Hull East):	(902116)
T5	Neale Hanvey (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath):	(902117)
T6	Martin Vickers (Cleethorpes):	(902118)
T7	Andrew Jones (Harrogate and Knaresborough):	(902119)
T8	Priti Patel (Witham):	(902120)
Т9	Stephen Metcalfe (South Basildon and East Thurrock):	(902121)
T10	Patricia Gibson (North Ayrshire and Arran):	(902122)