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Questions tabled on Monday 18 March 2024

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Questions for Answer on Tuesday 19 March

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, with reference to the policy paper entitled UK Science and Technology Framework, published on 6 March 2023, whether references in that paper to engineering biology include (a) gene therapy, (b) vaccine development and (c) other life sciences technologies. (19052)
 - 2N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will hold discussions with of manufacturers of electronic vehicles on estimates of mileage ranges achievable in new vehicles. [Transferred] (18676)
 - 3 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment his Department has made of the impact of the introduction of the aggravating factor for attacks on public facing workers on levels of retail crime. [Transferred] (18942)
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Questions for Answer on Wednesday 20 March

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Dame Andrea Jenkyns** (Morley and Outwood): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he has made 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 Morley and Outwood constituency. (19115)
- 2 **Dame Andrea Jenkyns** (Morley and Outwood): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether his Department has taken steps to (a) identify and (b) contact people in Morley and Outwood constituency who were (i) infected and (ii) affected by contaminated blood as part of Government preparations for responding to Infected Blood Inquiry recommendations on compensation. (19116)
- 3 **Dame Andrea Jenkyns** (Morley and Outwood): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many people in Morley and Outwood constituency have received interim compensation payments as a result of (a) their infection and (b) a family member's infection resulting from contaminated blood or blood products. (19117)
- 4 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps he is taking to coordinate activity across Government in order to improve the UK's preparedness for extreme wildfire events. (19041)
- 5 **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many homeless veterans there are in the UK. (18974)
- 6 **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many veterans are in temporary accommodation. (18975)
- 7 **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps he is taking to reduce the number of veterans on Universal Credit. (18976)
- 8 **Taiwo Owatemi** (Coventry North West): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will publish a draft amendment on infected blood compensation at Report Stage in the House of Lords for the Victims & Prisoners Bill in advance of that Report Stage. (19209)
- 9 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps she is taking to ensure that companies in the (a) finance and (b) utility sectors use best practice when collecting debts from vulnerable customers. (19138)
- 10 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of breast cancer monitoring devices on global health outcomes. (19146)

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- 11 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what the average processing time was for export licenses in the last six months; how many civil servants were assigned to process export licenses in that period; and whether her Department plans to take steps to (a) increase the number of civil servants assigned to process export licenses and (b) improve the efficiency of the export licensing process. (19152)
- 12 **David Linden** (Glasgow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment her Department has made of the legality of imports from illegal Israeli settlements. (19153)
- 13 **David Linden** (Glasgow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact on smallholder farmers of the measures in the Intellectual Property Chapter of the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership relating to the requirement for signatory countries to ratify the International Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants 1991. (19155)
- 14 **David Linden** (Glasgow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will have discussions with the Leader of the House on allocating time for debate on a substantive motion relating to the UK's accession to the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership ahead of the conclusion of the statutory 21 sitting day period for which the treaty is laid before Parliament. (19156)
- 15 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will establish an additional public holiday for St George's Day. (19214)
- 16 **Jim McMahon** (Oldham West and Royton): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of (a) steps taken to safeguard of local arts and cultural venues and (b) the benefits of protection as Assets of Community value. (19131)
- 17 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the effectiveness of measures available to school governing bodies to investigate complaints. (19168)
- 18 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she plans to take to help (a) educate young people about the dangers of internet use and (b) prevent engagement in harmful online activities by young people. (19141)
- 19 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to support young people in receipt of Carer's Allowance in (a) further and (b) higher education. (19149)
- 20 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to help reduce the use of out of area residential accommodation for children with additional needs. (19100)

- 21 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of moving children from youth offenders institutes into secure children homes. (19101)
- 22 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what progress her Department has made on ending the use of unregulated accommodation for children. (19102)
- 23 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will have discussions with Ofsted on steps it is taking to (a) take account of and (b) reward inclusion of children and young people when inspecting residential holiday schemes for disabled children. (19103)
- 24 **Christian Wakeford** (Bury South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment her Department has made of the adequacy of access to auditory-visual therapy for deaf children; and what steps she is taking to ensure sufficient access to that therapy as part of SEND support in schools. (19225)
- 25 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, for what reason has the results of the consultation on plastic in wet wipes not yet been published. (19212)
- 26 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when he plans to publish the report on the plastic in wet wipes consultation. (19213)
- 27 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department provides guidance to water companies on best practice for debt collection. (19139)
- 28 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the impact of high ocean temperatures on marine biodiversity in UK waters. (19148)
- 29 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the Climate Change Committee's report entitled Investment for a well-adapted UK, published on 1 February 2024. (19037)
- 30 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to tackle the risk of (a) drought and (b) water scarcity. (19038)
- 31 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make it his policy to coordinate a public engagement programme on adaptation including (a) the risks posed by climate change and (b) actions that individuals can take. (19039)

- 32 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate his Department has made of the value of fisheries stocks imported from Thailand in each of the last five years. (19048)
- 33 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether her Department is taking steps to ensure that imported fisheries products are not produced through the use of (a) illegal, (b) unreported and (c) unregulated fishing practices. (19049)
- 34 **John Penrose** (Weston-super-Mare): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when he plans to reply to the letters of 12 January and 14 February 2024 from the hon. Member for Weston-super-Mare on behalf of a constituent about e-collars. (19018)
- 35 **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the Glasgow Leaders' Declaration on forests and land use, what steps he has taken to halt and reverse forest loss and land degradation by 2030. (19072)
- 36 **Mr Ben Bradshaw** (Exeter): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to the study entitled Stepping Off the Road to Nowhere, published by Create Streets and Sustrans on 19 December 2023, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of adapting the funding model for new homes to incorporate gentle density and sustainable transport principles. (18965)
- 37 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to the Answer of 11 March 2024 to Questions 16908, 16909, 16910, 16911, 16912, 16913 and 16914, and the Answer of 15 March to Questions 18292, 18293, 18294, 18295 and 18296, if he will make an assessment of whether those responses are consistent with the requirements (a) in the Ministerial Code that Ministers should be as open as possible with parliament and the public, refusing to provide information only when disclosure would not be in the public interest and (b) in the Guidance on drafting answers to parliamentary questions. (19193)
- 38 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to help improve housing affordability for first-time buyers. (19135)
- 39 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to help average-income families access the housing market. (19137)
- 40 **Mark Eastwood** (Dewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will take steps to help support people to submit objections to planning proposals for (a) the proposed installation of solar farms near Overton, Wooley and Kirkburton and (b) other proposed renewable energy projects on the green belt. (19215)

- 41 **Mark Eastwood** (Dewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he has held discussions with adult social care providers on potential future risks to the local financing of the provision of care. (19216)
- 42 **Mark Eastwood** (Dewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to support local authorities to deliver adult social care. (19217)
- 43 **Mark Eastwood** (Dewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to ensure local authorities can finance the delivery of essential medical (a) devices and (b) services. (19218)
- 44 **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 policies of the Create Streets and Sustrans report entitled Stepping off the Road to Nowhere, published on 10 March 2024. (19032)
- 45 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, pursuant to the Answer of 13 March 2024 to Question 17100 on Affordable Housing, how many thousands of affordable homes he expects the Affordable Homes Programme to deliver; and what large number of such homes will be for social rent.. (19036)
- 46 **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, which local authorities (a) charged for collection of garden waste and b) provided a free garden waste service in 2023/24. (19043)
- 47 **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what information his Department holds on the number of local authorities that charged an annual fee of (a) less than £30, (b) £30.01- £40, (c) £40.01- £50, (d) £50.01- £75, (e) £75.01- £100.00 and (f) £100.01 or more for the collection of garden waste in the 2023-24 financial year. (19044)
- 48 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to help individuals aged over 65 living in rented accommodation. (19059)
- 49 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will issue guidance to housing associations on increasing the transparency of service charge costs. (19123)
- 50 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps her Department is taking to help encourage innovation in the development of healthcare technology for at home use. (19143)

- 51 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether the NHS is taking steps with (a) technology developers and (b) academia to help accelerate the introduction of innovative medical solutions. (19144)
- 52 **Jack Brereton** (Stoke-on-Trent South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many boreholes along the HS2 Phase 2 route have (a) been filled and (b) had land restored since the decision to cancel Phase 2; and when he expects the work of removing boreholes and compounds along the Phase 2 route be completed. (19157)
- 53 **Richard Foord** (Tiverton and Honiton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to ensure Private Parking Operators operate fairly. (19229)
- 54 **Andrew Lewer** (Northampton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what progress his Department has made on identifying a National Freight Network. (19166)
- 55 **Andrew Lewer** (Northampton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the (a) cost of energy asset extensions for the logistics sector and (b) time taken to deliver energy asset extensions on the introduction of logistics fleet depot charging. (19167)
- 56 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has made an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of the Create Streets and Sustrans study entitled Stepping off the Road to Nowhere, published on 10 March 2024. (19164)
- 57 **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether the Complex Needs Toolkit is used by the Child Maintenance Service. (19185)
- 58 **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will publish the best practice guidance provided to Child Maintenance Service caseworkers for (a) complex cases and (b) cases involving domestic abuse. (19186)
- 59 **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will publish the training (a) programme and (b) objectives for Child Maintenance Service caseworkers relating to (i) identifying and (ii) supporting victims of domestic abuse. (19187)
- 60 **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what is the (a) average and (b) longest time for a Child Maintenance Service caseworker to be in post before receiving training on supporting families with experience of domestic abuse. (19188)
- 61 **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps he is taking to ensure that Child Maintenance Service caseworkers use a trauma informed approach to deal with (a) complex cases and (b) cases involving domestic abuse. (19189)

- 62 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhese** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of Carer's Allowance eligibility rules on young carers' ability to access (a) further and (b) higher education. (19150)
- 63 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhese** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether he has had discussions with (a) young carers and (b) advocacy groups on amending Carer's Allowance eligibility rules for people wishing to study more than 21 hours per week. (19151)
- 64 **Richard Foord** (Tiverton and Honiton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that universal credit payments are not affected by child maintenance. (19227)
- 65 **Richard Foord** (Tiverton and Honiton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment his Department has made of the number of people in receipt of both Child Maintenance payments and Universal Credit. (19228)
- 66 **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many investigations into (a) all and (b) ill-fitting personal protective equipment the Health and Safety Executive has undertaken in each year since 2018. (19158)
- 67 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make it his policy to bring homeowner service charge support in Universal Credit in line with Support for Mortgage Interest by (a) removing the zero earnings rule and (b) reducing the nine month qualifying period. (19031)
- 68 **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate his Department has made of the number of children living in (a) absolute and (b) relative poverty in each year since 2007 in (i) England, (ii) Scotland, (iii) Wales, (iv) Northern Ireland and (v) the UK. (19197)
- 69 **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate he has made of the number of children living in (a) absolute and (b) relative poverty per constituency in the latest period for which data is available. (19198)
- 70 **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the total cost to the public purse was of the Household Support Fund since 2021; and what the total distribution of the fund per constituency over the same period. (19199)
- 71 **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate he has made of the total revenue accrued by the Exchequer since the introduction of the benefit cap; and how many and what proportion of households are impacted in (i) England, (ii) Scotland, (iii) Wales, (iv) Northern Ireland and (v) each parliamentary constituency in the latest period for which data is available. (19200)

- 72 **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate he has made of the total revenue accrued by the Exchequer since the introduction of the two child limit; and how many and what proportion of households are impacted in (i) England, (ii) Scotland, (iii) Wales, (iv) Northern Ireland and (v) each parliamentary constituency in the latest period for which data is available. (19201)
- 73 **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent estimate he has made of the number and proportion of households impacted by the two child limit where one adult is in work in (a) England, (b) Scotland, (c) Wales, (d) Northern Ireland and (e) each parliamentary constituency. (19202)
- 74 **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment his department has made of the potential implications for household budgets of his policies on the (a) cap on benefits for out of work households and (b) two child limit for child support. (19203)
- 75 **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of the two child limit on the numbers of children living in (a) absolute and (b) relative poverty between 2018 and 2035. (19204)
- 76 **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether he has had recent discussions with (a) Unicef and (b) the United Nations Rapporteur on extreme poverty on initiatives to tackle child poverty. (19206)
- 77 **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make an estimate of the impact of the introduction of the High Income Child Benefit Charge on the cost of child benefit to the public purse in each year since 2013; and how many and what proportion of households are affected by the High Income Child Benefit Charge in each constituency in (a) England, (b) Scotland, (c) Wales and (d) Northern Ireland. (19207)
- 78 **Dame Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what information his Department holds on trends in the number of people with problem debt; and if he will make an assessment of the implications for his policies of those trends. (18963)
- 79 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to ensure that (a) Evusheld 2 and (b) other covid-19 treatments for the immuno-compromised are available to patients. (19190)
- 80 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will have discussions with NICE on developing a fast track approval process for covid-19 treatments for the immuno-compromised. (19191)

- 81 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of debt collection practices on the (a) mental and (b) physical health of individuals in financial difficulty. (19140)
- 82 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will make an assessment of the adequacy of (a) funding and (b) support available for research into non-invasive cancer monitoring technologies. (19142)
- 83 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of (a) the breast cancer monitoring device and (b) other innovative medical devices on (i) early cancer detection rates and (ii) patient outcomes. (19145)
- 84 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the impact of ending government support for the UK Recovery programme on the UK's preparedness for future pandemics. (19147)
- 85 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to prepare for (a) an avian influenza outbreak and (b) a future pandemic. (18979)
- 86 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 5 February 2024 to Question 11582 on MMR Vaccine: North West, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for her policies of the lower uptake of MMR2 at five years; and what steps her Department is taking to increase the uptake of childhood vaccines. (18980)
- 87 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment her Department has made of the potential long-term impact of the cost of living on life expectancy; and what steps her Department is taking to reduce regional disparities in life expectancy. (18981)
- 88 **Dame Andrea Jenkyns** (Morley and Outwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate her Department has made of the number of people who have died since being (a) treated with contaminated blood products and (b) given contaminated blood transfusions in Morley and Outwood constituency. (19113)
- 89 **Dame Andrea Jenkyns** (Morley and Outwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what psychological support is available for people (a) infected and (b) affected by contaminated blood and blood products in Morley and Outwood constituency. (19114)

- 90 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many full-time equivalent qualified school nurses are working in a public health-commissioned (a) school nursing service, (b) zero to 19 service and (c) five to 19 healthy child programme in each local authority area. (19035)
- 91 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to ensure that (a) medical physicists and (b) clinical engineers have adequate access to advanced (a) radiotherapy and (b) other relevant equipment in hospitals. (19091)
- 92 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will take steps to help raise awareness of careers in (a) medical physics and (b) clinical engineering. (19092)
- 93 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the age demographic on the workforce for (a) medical physics and (b) clinical engineering. (19093)
- 94 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will undertake an audit of NHS equipment used in radiotherapy treatments. (19094)
- 95 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of reviewing the modernising scientific careers framework for (a) medical physicists, (b) clinical engineers and (c) clinical scientists. (19095)
- 96 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has made an assessment of the potential implications for her policies of the Scottish Government's publication entitled Healthcare Science in Scotland: Defining Our Strategic Approach, published on 14 March 2024, and if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of establishing a similar strategy for England. (19096)
- 97 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what her Department's policy is on the regulation of clinical technologists. (19097)
- 98 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will introduce a statutory register for (a) clinical technologists and (b) other health professionals that use a voluntary register. (19098)
- 99 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has had recent discussions with the Health and Care Professions Council on the registration of clinical technologists. (19099)
- 100 **Taiwo Owatemi** (Coventry North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to ensure infected blood interim compensation payments are made to bereaved parents and children through the England Infected Blood Support Scheme. (19208)

- 101 **Ms Anum Qaisar** (Airdrie and Shotts): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what information her Department holds on the number of patients who (a) have had polio and (b) have post-polio syndrome in the latest period for which data is available. (19226)
- 102 **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many integrated care boards have introduced (a) community audiology services and (b) self-referral for community audiology. (19030)
- 103 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what guidance her Department plans to issue to asthmatic people on projected high pollen levels this summer. (19057)
- 104 **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to The Hughes Report, published on 7 February 2024, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing interim payments to victims of sodium valproate. (19086)
- 105 **Craig Tracey** (North Warwickshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of the decision by the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence to not recommend trastuzumab deruxtecan for HER2-low secondary breast cancer for use on NHS on the life expectancy of eligible women. (19119)
- 106 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure adequate availability of (a) atomoxetine, (b) lisdexamfetamine, (c) methylphenidate and (d) other Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder medication within (i) NHS Wales and (ii) Cwm Taf Morgannwg Health Board. (19219)
- 107 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has had recent discussions with the Welsh Minister for Health and Social Services on the availability of (a) atomoxetine, (b) lisdexamfetamine, (c) methylphenidate and (d) other ADHD medication. (19220)
- 108 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 15 January 2024 to Question 8042 on Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder: Drugs, whether it remains her Department's policy to resolve disruptions with the supply of ADHD medication by April 2024. (19221)
- 109 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent assessment the International Humanitarian Law (IHL) Compliance Assessment Process has made of (a) Israel's commitment and capability to comply with International Humanitarian Law and (b) its past record of compliance with IHL. (19210)

- 110 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what is the value of the (a) 28 extant and (b) 28 pending arms export licences to Israel identified in the Change of Circumstances review in 2023. (19211)
- 111 **David Linden** (Glasgow East): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment his Department has made of the potential risks of (a) existing and (b) enhanced (i) security, (ii) defence, (iii) science and (iv) technology relationships with Israel under the 2030 roadmap. (19154)
- 112 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the fisheries transparency reforms introduced by Thailand's government in 2015 on fish stocks in the region. (19045)
- 113 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will hold discussions with representatives of Thailand's government on its proposed fishing reforms. (19046)
- 114 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will make an assessment of the implications for his policies of fishing by China's state-sponsored distant water fleet in the (a) Andaman Sea and (b) Gulf of Thailand. (19047)
- 115 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether Ministers in his Department have plans to meet with Hong Kong activists (a) Nathan Law, (b) Finn Lau and (c) Christopher Mung. (19056)
- 116 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has had recent discussions with his European Union counterparts on the July 2023 summit declaration between the European Union and the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States that referred to the Falklands Islands as Islas Malvinas. (19058)
- 117 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what discussions he has had with his Peruvian counterpart on the potential impact of that country's Forestry Law on (a) deforestation and (b) human rights. (19165)
- 118 **Deidre Brock** (Edinburgh North and Leith): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of replacing the Shortage Occupation List with the Immigration Salary List on employment opportunities for asylum seekers who are eligible to work. (19083)

- 119 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many convictions of young people there were in (a) the North West, (b) Lancashire and (c) Preston in each of the last five years; and what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the trend in the number of such convictions. (18978)
- 120 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what form of immigration status people relocated to Rwanda under the voluntary departures scheme will receive once in Rwanda; and whether that status will be (a) permanent or (b) time-limited. (19033)
- 121 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when the agreement with Rwanda to host individuals relocated from the UK under the voluntary departures scheme was made; how many individuals can be relocated under that scheme; and if he will publish a Memorandum of Understanding relating to the scheme. (19034)
- 122 **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of legislating to compel dogs to be put on leads in public places. (18977)
- 123 **Dame Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 6 March 2024 to Question 15819 on UK Border Force: Corruption, if he will provide a breakdown of the allegations and referrals received by the Border Force Joint Anti-Corruption Intelligence Team by type in 2023. (18961)
- 124 **Dame Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many investigations have been undertaken by his Department's professional standards unit in each year since 2015, broken down into the categories of (a) immigration, borders and citizenship, (b) policing and (c) counter-terrorism. (18962)
- 125 **Jim McMahon** (Oldham West and Royton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of hotel use for asylum seekers on community cohesion in Oldham; and when he plans to end the use of temporary accommodation for asylum seekers. (19128)
- 126 **Jim McMahon** (Oldham West and Royton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many (a) police station and (b) custody cell closures there have been in Oldham in each year since 2010. (19133)
- 127 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps his Department is taking to tackle car crime in north London. (19124)
- 128 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the annual budget for the Combat Air Commercial Team at Defence Equipment and Support is for (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26. (18982)

- 129 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the annual budget for the Ships Commercial Team at Defence Equipment and Support is for (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26. (18983)
- 130 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the annual budget for the Land Equipment Commercial Team at Defence Equipment and Support is for (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26. (18984)
- 131 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the annual budget for the Weapons Commercial Team at Defence Equipment and Support is for (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26. (18985)
- 132 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the annual budget for the Helicopters Commercial Team at Defence Equipment and Support is for (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26. (18986)
- 133 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the annual budget for the Integrated Battlespace Commercial Team at Defence Equipment and Support is for (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26. (18987)
- 134 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the annual budget for the Logistics Delivery Commercial Team at Defence Equipment and Support is for (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26. (18988)
- 135 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 13 December to Question 5944 on Defence Equipment, when he plans to send the response letter to the Rt hon. Member for Garston and Halewood. (18990)
- 136 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 13 December to Question 5174 on Defence Equipment, when he plans to send the response letter to the Rt hon. Member for Garston and Halewood. (18991)
- 137 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 15 December to Question 5777 on Ajax Vehicles: Procurement, when he plans to send the response letter to the Rt hon. Member for Garston and Halewood. (18992)
- 138 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 20 December to Question 5777 on Armed Forces: Housing, when he plans to send the response letter to the Rt hon. Member for Garston and Halewood. (18993)
- 139 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 21 December to Question 7163 on Air Force: Military Aircraft, when he plans to send the response letter to the Rt hon. Member for Garston and Halewood. (18994)

- 140 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 20 December to Question 7162 on Air Force: Military Aircraft, when he plans to send the response letter to the Rt hon. Member for Garston and Halewood. (18995)
- 141 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many people have been employed at the Defence, Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear Centre in each year since 2019. (18997)
- 142 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many people were employed in the salvage and marine operations team at Defence Equipment and Support in each year since 2019. (19001)
- 143 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 22 of his Department's UK Armed Forces Defence Accommodation Strategy, published in October 2022, for what reason the target of no more than 10% of service family accommodation properties being vacant by September 2023 was not met; and whether he has set a new vacancy rate target. (19179)
- 144 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when he last had discussions with representatives of (a) VIVO, (b) Amey and (c) Pinnacle on the maintenance of service accommodation properties. (19180)
- 145 **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many Crown Court hearings have been delayed due to a (a) failure to deliver a prisoner and (b) a delay in bringing a prisoner to a court by (i) Serco and (ii) other providers of escort services. (19051)
- 146 **Richard Foord** (Tiverton and Honiton): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps their Department is taking to ensure those facing a Parking Charge Notice receive sufficient notice of the results of appeals. (19230)
- 147 **Richard Fuller** (North East Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the average holding time was for phone calls to the probate office contact line in each year since 2019. (19028)
- 148 **Jim McMahon** (Oldham West and Royton): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of (a) closures of magistrates courts and (b) trends in the recruitment of magistrates on case capacity in Greater Manchester. (19132)
- 149 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 12 March 2024 to Question 17136 on Tax Avoidance, whether it is HMRC's policy to seek to recover tax due for liabilities incurred before December 2010, where a taxpayer has not received correspondence relating to an open compliance check for longer than 12 months. (19192)

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- 150 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps he is taking to (a) help ensure mortgage rate stability and (b) support the housing market. (19136)
- 151 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of (a) the economy-wide investment needs for adapting the UK to climate change and (b) the current funding gap. (19040)
- 152 **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of increasing universal credit by 50% in financial year 2024-25. (19205)
- 153 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the impact of his measures introduced in the Spring Budget 2024 on the cost of living. (19160)
- 154 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether his Department conducted distributional analysis of the impact of the reduction to National Insurance contributions announced in the Spring Budget 2024 on people in different income brackets. (19161)
- 155 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment he has made of the potential impact of the level of profits made by companies outside the oil and gas industries on (a) the cost of living and (b) inflation. (19162)
- 156 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent estimate he has made of the amount and proportion of tax identified by HMRC as being avoided through disguised remuneration schemes that will be paid by people who (a) recommended, (b) promoted and (c) operated such schemes in each of the next five years. (19163)
- 157 **Deidre Brock** (Edinburgh North and Leith): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, with reference to the Oral Statement from the Secretary of State for the Home Department of 4 December 2023 on Legal Migration, Official Report, column 41, and the report by the Migration Observatory entitled Family fortunes: The UK's new income requirement for partner visas, published on 1 February 2024, whether she has had discussions with Cabinet colleagues on the potential impact of the increased Minimum Income Requirement on (a) women and (b) people belonging to specific ethnicities. (19084)
- 158 **Deidre Brock** (Edinburgh North and Leith): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, with reference to the Oral Statement from the Secretary of State for the Home Department of 4 December 2023 on Legal Migration, Official Report, column 41, whether she has made an assessment of the potential impact of the increase to the minimum income requirement on (a) equality of opportunity and (b) reducing negative disparities. (19085)
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Questions for Answer on Thursday 21 March

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the oral contribution by the Leader of the House at Business Questions on 7 March 2024, Official Report, column 974, where he plans to visit as part of his tour on the infected blood scandal; and when he will be undertaking this tour. (19012)
- 2N **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the oral contribution by the Leader of the House at Business Questions on 7 March 2024, Official Report, column 974, how (a) individual people and (b) organisations can register to meet him during his tour on the infected blood scandal. (19013)
- 3N **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 18 March 2024 to Question 18400 on Special Forces: Afghanistan and Iraq, what the Minister for Veterans' Affairs' planned timetable is for concluding his review. (19008)
- 4N **Pat McFadden** (Wolverhampton South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what the total cost to the public purse was of legal (a) support and (b) representation to Ministers in (i) her Department and (ii) the predecessor Department in relation to their official conduct in each of the last three years. (19021)
- 5N **Barbara Keeley** (Worsley and Eccles South): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she has had discussions with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on the potential merits of including the voice as one of the eligible instruments for Orchestral Tax Relief. (19027)
- 6N **Pat McFadden** (Wolverhampton South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what the total cost to the public purse was of legal (a) support and (b) representation to Ministers in (i) her Department and (ii) the predecessor Department in relation to their official conduct in each of the last three years. (19023)
- 7N **Jim McMahon** (Oldham West and Royton): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what recent assessment her Department has made of the viability of independent (a) local newspapers and (b) other media. (19129)
- 8N **Jim McMahon** (Oldham West and Royton): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department has taken recent steps to designate football club grounds as assets of community value. (19130)
- 9N **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when building work is planned to start at Hall Road Academy in Kingston upon Hull. (19014)

- 10N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what proportion of Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education Route Panel members are SMEs. (19068)
- 11N **Pat McFadden** (Wolverhampton South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the total cost to the public purse was of legal (a) support and (b) representation to Ministers in her Department in relation to their official conduct in each of the last three years. (19024)
- 12N **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the average time is for her Department to approve mergers between pre-schools and primary schools; what steps her Department is taking to (a) reduce that time and (b) help ensure (i) safeguarding during transition and (ii) continuity of funding for childcare; and how many mergers between pre-schools and primary schools her Department has approved in the last 12 months. (19125)
- 13N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 14 June 2024 to Question 17775 on Family Conciliation Services, for what reason her Department does not monitor the number of therapists offering reunification therapy services in England and Wales who help with cases of family breakdown. (18955)
- 14N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what the proposed additional (a) cable and (b) grid connections will be between (i) Scotland and Scottish Waters and (ii) the rest of the UK as part of the transitional centralised strategic network plan. (19194)
- 15N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what estimate she has made of the amount of additional power generated in (a) Scotland and (b) Scottish waters that will be transferred to England under the transitional centralised strategic network plan. (19195)
- 16N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will make an estimate of the revenue that would accrue to the Scottish Government as a consequence of the additional energy transmission from Scotland that will be put on the national grid under the transitional centralised strategic network plan. (19196)
- 17N **Pat McFadden** (Wolverhampton South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how much (a) her Department and (b) its predecessor Department have spent on legal (i) support and (ii) representation to Ministers in her Department in relation to their official conduct in each of the last three years. (19022)
- 18N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what the total cost to the public purse was of legal (a) support and (b) representation to Ministers in his Department in relation to their official conduct in each of the last three years. (19062)

- 19N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of wastewater treatment networks in filtering out microplastics. (19009)
- 20N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what information his Department holds on the number of members of the public who have been killed by cattle whilst walking on public rights of way or open access land in the last three years. (18952)
- 21N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what information his Department holds on the number of members of the public who have been seriously injured by cattle while walking on public rights of way or open access land in the last three years. (18953)
- 22N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that farmers follow duties under (a) section 3 of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 and (b) Cattle and public access guidance published by the Health and Safety Executive. (18954)
- 23N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what the total cost to the public purse was of legal (a) support and (b) representation to Ministers in his Department in relation to their official conduct in each of the last three years. (19063)
- 24N **Michael Fabricant** (Lichfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will introduce National Planning Policy Guidance to assist local government planning authorities to provide a consistent approach to (a) canal and (b) associated infrastructure restoration. (18967)
- 25N **Michael Fabricant** (Lichfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department provides guidance to navigation authorities on attaining World Heritage Status for canal systems. (18968)
- 26N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, pursuant to the Answers of 15 March 2024 to Questions 17337 and 17338 on Freeports: Foreign Investment in UK, when his Department plans to publish the UK Freeports Programme Annual Report 2023; and if he will include the information on foreign direct investment performance (a) at the level and (b) for the dates requested in Questions 17337 and 17338. (19015)
- 27N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what the total cost to the public purse was for legal (a) support and (b) representation for Ministers in her Department and its predecessor department in relation to their official conduct in the last three financial years. (19064)

- 28N **Peter Kyle** (Hove): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, pursuant to the Answer of 18 March 2024 to Question 18536 on UK Research and Innovation: Social Media, whether she has authorised the targeted collection of the views of academics on UKRI boards. (19118)
- 29N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the total cost to the public purse was for legal (a) support and (b) representation for Ministers in his Department in relation to their official conduct in the last three financial years. (19065)
- 30N **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 11 March 2024 to Question 17164 on Carbon Emissions: Finance, how much funding has been allocated for the continuation of his Department's 2024-25 net zero policies in the 2025-26 financial year. (19105)
- 31N **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 11 March 2024 to Question 17165 on Carbon Emissions: Finance, how much funding each of the policies listed will receive in the financial year 2025-26. (19106)
- 32N **Mr David Jones** (Clwyd West): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many scheduled services Avanti West Coast have cancelled as a result of shortage of crew since 1 January 2024. (19010)
- 33N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department is taking steps to improve signalling on the Tyne and Wear Metro. (19053)
- 34N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of East West Rail on the journey time between Oxford and Cambridge. (19054)
- 35N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to encourage innovation in (a) the Maritime and Coastguard Agency, (b) the DVLA, (c) HS2 Ltd. and (d) National Highways. (19055)
- 36N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the total cost to the public purse was for legal (a) support and (b) representation for Ministers in his Department in relation to their official conduct in the last three financial years. (19066)
- 37N **Adam Afriyie** (Windsor): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether her Department has had discussions with the UK Vaping Industry Association on its proposals for a vape retail licence. (19019)
- 38N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will make an assessment of the effectiveness of drugs available within the NHS to treat (a) epidermolysis bullosa and (b) other inflammatory skin conditions. (18966)

- 39N **Dame Andrea Jenkyns** (Morley and Outwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate her Department has made of the number of people who were (a) treated with contaminated blood products and (b) given contaminated blood transfusions by the NHS in Morely and Outwood constituency. (19112)
- 40N **Barbara Keeley** (Worsley and Eccles South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 26 February 2024 to Question 15040 on Autism and Learning Disability: Community Care, whether the funding flows task and finish group have developed plans to (a) fund support effectively across the health and social care system and (b) improve oversight of expenditure on the Building the Right Support Action Plan. (19025)
- 41N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate she has made of the numbers of (a) Medical Physicists and (b) Clinical Engineers in the NHS Workforce as of 18 March 2024. (19087)
- 42N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate she has made of the number of (a) Medical Physicists and (b) Clinical Engineers required in the NHS over the next (i) five (ii) 10 and (iii) 15 years. (19088)
- 43N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will take steps to (a) recruit and (b) train more (i) medical physicists and (ii) clinical engineers. (19089)
- 44N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of recent advances in clinical (a) technology and (b) other equipment on the number of (i) medical physicists and (ii) clinical engineers that are required in the NHS. (19090)
- 45N **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to reduce waiting times for hospital hearing (a) tests and (b) aid fitting in areas where no community audiology service is commissioned. (19029)
- 46N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, with reference to the press release entitled PM announces the UK will end support for fossil fuel sector overseas, published on 12 December 2020, how many fossil fuel-related investments British International Investment has divested away from since that date. (19159)
- 47N **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, pursuant to the Answer of 15 March 2024 to Question 18074 on Falkland Islands: Ports, whether the Falkland Islands Government sought advice from his Department prior to the awarding of a contract to Harland & Wolff to support delivery of a port facility. (19007)

- 48N **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, how much overseas development aid has been paid by his Department (a) directly and (b) indirectly to consultancies in each year since 2019. (19050)
- 49N **Brendan O'Hara** (Argyll and Bute): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of establishing a scrutiny body within his Department that is tasked with assessing the consequences of individual arms licences on the Government's international legal obligations. (19074)
- 50N **Brendan O'Hara** (Argyll and Bute): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what account of ongoing geopolitical fragility his Department takes in considering applications for licences for the export of arms to states in sensitive areas. (19075)
- 51N **Brendan O'Hara** (Argyll and Bute): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what account of the risk of atrocity crimes being committed by states his Department takes in considering applications for licences for the export of arms to such states. (19076)
- 52N **Brendan O'Hara** (Argyll and Bute): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether his Department (a) makes an assessment of the potential impact on observance of international humanitarian law and (b) communicates that assessment to the Department for Business and Trade before the grant of an arms licence. (19077)
- 53N **Brendan O'Hara** (Argyll and Bute): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has discussions with the Secretary of State for Business and Trade on the risk of a state not complying with orders from international courts in the decision process for the grant of an arms licence. (19078)
- 54N **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 23 February 2024 to Question 14388 on Horticulture: Seasonal Workers, whether the requirement for seasonal workers to receive a minimum of 32 hours pay for each week of their stay in the UK regardless of whether work is available was included in any (a) rules and (b) guidance published by his Department. (19222)
- 55N **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 23 February 2024 to Question 14388 on Horticulture: Seasonal Workers, who is responsible for payments to seasonal workers in line with the requirement that they must receive a minimum of 32 hours pay for each week of their stay in the UK, regardless of whether work is available. (19223)

- 56N **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 23 February 2024 to Question 14388 on Horticulture: Seasonal Workers, whether his Department (a) monitors and (b) enforces payments to seasonal workers to ensure they receive a minimum of 32 hours pay for each week of their stay in the UK regardless of whether work is available. (19224)
- 57N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will hold discussions with the Irish Government on tackling the supply of illegal drugs entering the UK via the sea. (19006)
- 58N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when he plans that the Foreign Influence Registration Scheme will go live. (19060)
- 59N **Jim McMahon** (Oldham West and Royton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of (a) child criminal exploitation and (b) gang activity on police resources in Oldham. (19126)
- 60N **Jim McMahon** (Oldham West and Royton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will make an assessment of the implications for his policies of trends in the level of (a) police station and (b) custody cell closures in Oldham since 2010. (19127)
- 61N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps his Department is taking to collaborate with its counterparts in other countries to tackle fraud. (18956)
- 62N **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 13 December to Question 5943 on Defence Equipment: ICT, when he plans to send the response letter to the Rt hon. Member for Garston and Halewood. (18989)
- 63N **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many houses rented by his Department were unoccupied as of 18 March 2024. (18996)
- 64N **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many vehicles his Department is leasing as of 18 March 2024. (18998)
- 65N **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many phone calls were made to the 24 hour Military Mental Health Helpline in each year since 2019. (18999)
- 66N **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the annual budget for the Military Mental Health Helpline was in each financial year since 2019-20. (19000)

- 67N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what progress he has made on the reassessment of ARAP eligibility decisions for former members of the ATF-444 and CF-333. (19061)
- 68N **Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck** (South Shields): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the oral contribution of the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Defence during the debate on Nuclear Test Veterans: Medical Records of 28 November 2023, Official Report, column 245WH, whether his Department has examined the 150 Atomic Weapons Establishment files. (19073)
- 69N **Holly Lynch** (Halifax): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 29 January 2024 to Question 11369 on Armoured Fighting Vehicles and with reference to the letter from the Minister of State for Defence Procurement to the hon. Member for Halifax dated 14 March 2024, deposited paper reference DEP2024-0312, who the 18 scimitar combat reconnaissance vehicles were sold externally to. (19104)
- 70N **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 22 January 2024 to Question 9937 on Armed Forces: Housing, how many open work orders for repairs there were for (a) Service Family Accommodation and (b) Single Living Accommodation as of 18 March 2024, broken down by region. (19174)
- 71N **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 23 January 2024 to Question 10346 on Armed Forces: Housing, if he will (a) update this answer with the latest available figures and (b) provide a regional breakdown of the updated figures. (19175)
- 72N **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 23 January 2024 to Question 10351 on Armed Forces: Housing, how many Service Family Accommodation units were treated for (a) electrical faults and (b) pest infestation between 23 January and 18 March 2024, broken down by region. (19176)
- 73N **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent estimate he has made of the number and proportion of single living accommodation bed spaces that meet building regulation standards. (19177)
- 74N **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 23 January 2024 to Question 10349 on Armed Forces: Housing, how much his Department has spent on housing forces personnel and their dependents in emergency accommodation due to major repair needs at their military accommodation since 1 April 2022. (19178)
- 75N **Ms Harriet Harman** (Camberwell and Peckham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether Snaresbrook Crown Court has customer service targets for dealing with (a) incoming calls and (b) written correspondence. (18951)

- 76N **Sir Greg Knight** (East Yorkshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many requests for healthcare treatment for prisoners at HMP Full Sutton were made in each of the last five years; and what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of healthcare treatment for prisoners at that prison. (19003)
- 77N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what recent assessment he has made of the potential merits of replacing wet shaving razors with electric shavers in all prisons across Wales. (19120)
- 78N **Barbara Keeley** (Worsley and Eccles South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much funding his Department has committed to cover the increase in employer contribution rates for Music Hubs this academic year. (19026)
- 79N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of not linking his Department's support for health care in public prisons in Wales with inflation on prisoner healthcare provision in Wales. (19121)
- 80N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of increasing funding to support health care in public sector prisons in Wales. (19122)

Questions for Answer on Friday 22 March

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Pat McFadden** (Wolverhampton South East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what the total cost to the public purse was of legal (a) support and (b) representation to Ministers in his Department in relation to their official conduct in each of the last three years. (19020)
- 2N **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford and Eccles): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will publish the evidential basis on which the value of the fixed sum award for the Horizon Shortfall Scheme claimants was set at £75,000. (19079)
- 3N **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford and Eccles): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will publish the evidential basis on which the value of the fixed and final offer for Horizon Convictions Redress Scheme claimants was set at £600,000. (19080)
- 4N **Stephen Doughty** (Cardiff South and Penarth): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to support the (a) growth and (b) development of the creative industries in South Wales. (19069)

- 5N **Naz Shah** (Bradford West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the Answer of 10 May 2023 to Question 182611 on Teachers: Qualifications, if she will take steps to make the Education Accreditation Scheme available to online education providers for adult learners. (19081)
- 6N **Angus Brendan MacNeil** (Na h-Eileanan an Iar): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the oral contribution of the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero during the debate on Consideration of Lords message on the Energy Bill [Lords] of 18 October 2023, Official Report, column 352, what her planned timetable is to consult on the barriers to community energy schemes. (19016)
- 7N **Angus Brendan MacNeil** (Na h-Eileanan an Iar): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether investment to support the manufacture of wind turbine jackets will be included in the Green Industries Growth Accelerator. (19017)
- 8N **Naz Shah** (Bradford West): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps her Department is taking to investigate the installation of (a) biomass boilers and (b) solar panels by (i) A Shade Greener and (ii) other commercial rent-a-roof companies. (19082)
- 9N **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps his Department is taking to reduce the number of children being housed in temporary accommodation. (19171)
- 10N **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 implications for his policies of the Association of British Insurers plan to reduce insurance costs for leaseholders and residents in high rise buildings. (19172)
- 11N **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps his Department is taking to increase the number of homes available for social rent. (19173)
- 12N **Stephen Doughty** (Cardiff South and Penarth): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to support people in Wales with incorrectly installed cavity wall insulation. (19071)
- 13N **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when his Department plans to end the use of hotels in Weaver Vale constituency for (a) adults and (b) children seeking asylum. (19169)
- 14N **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of providing exit plans from hotel accommodation to give settled residents 56 days notice. (19170)

- 15N **Stephen Doughty** (Cardiff South and Penarth): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, what assessment he has made of the impact of potential job losses at Tata on the (a) wider supply chains and (b) economy in South Wales. (19070)
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Questions for Answer on Monday 25 March

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Dame Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she (a) is taking and (b) plans to take steps to encourage businesses to pay the real living wage. (18959)
- 2N **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether Bytedance would be required to divest ownership of TikTok under the terms of the provision on Foreign power acquisition of news media organisations added by the Government to the Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Bill. (19002)
- 3N **Mick Whitley** (Birkenhead): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether she has made an assessment of the level of daily standing charges for (a) gas and (b) electricity in (i) North Wales and (ii) Merseyside. (19181)
- 4N **Mick Whitley** (Birkenhead): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of regional variations in (a) energy costs and (b) daily standing charges for (i) electricity and (ii) gas on regional economic inequalities. (19182)
- 5N **Mick Whitley** (Birkenhead): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether her Department has had discussions with energy suppliers on taking steps to reduce the daily standing charges for gas and electricity in (a) North Wales and (b) Merseyside to at least the national average. (19183)
- 6N **Mick Whitley** (Birkenhead): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, pursuant to the Answer of 12 February 2024 to Question 13068 on Energy: Standing Charges, whether her Department has had discussions with Ofgem on the equitability of daily standing charges for gas and electricity in (a) North Wales and (b) Merseyside. (19184)
- 7N **Dame Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether he has made an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of the findings in the Christians Against Poverty report entitled Pushed under, pushed out, published on 12 March 2024, relating to the impact of high debt repayments on people's living standards. (18957)

- 8N **Dame Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of reducing the maximum benefit deduction rate for people on Universal Credit. (18958)
- 9N **Dame Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make an assessment of the implications for his policies of the report entitled Push Under, Pushed Out, published by Christians Against Poverty on 12 March 2024. (18960)
- 10N **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment she has made of the potential impact of the removal of (a) overseas and (b) senior care workers' rights to bring dependants on main applicant flows for the health and social care visa. (19011)
- 11N **Nick Thomas-Symonds** (Torfaen): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the total cost to the public purse was of legal (a) support and (b) representation to Ministers in her Department in relation to their official conduct in each of the last three years. (19107)
- 12N **Nick Thomas-Symonds** (Torfaen): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what the total cost to the public purse was of legal (a) support and (b) representation to Ministers in his Department in relation to their official conduct in each of the last three years. (19108)
- 13N **Kevin Brennan** (Cardiff West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent estimate he has made of the number of individuals misidentified by the Home Office Person Centric Data Platform in the last 12 months. (19004)
- 14N **Kevin Brennan** (Cardiff West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps he is taking to rectify the misidentification of individuals by the Home Office Person Centric Data Platform. (19005)
- 15N **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what improvements he plans to make to the Police estate in Chesterfield constituency until 2029. (19042)
- 16N **Nick Thomas-Symonds** (Torfaen): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the total cost to the public purse was of legal (a) support and (b) representation to Ministers in his Department in relation to their official conduct in each of the last three years. (19110)
- 17N **Nick Thomas-Symonds** (Torfaen): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the total cost to the public purse was of legal (a) support and (b) representation to Ministers in his Department in relation to their official conduct in each of the last three years. (19111)

- 18N **Darren Jones** (Bristol North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether he has made a recent assessment of the potential merits of providing a formal apology to unmarried women and their children who were forcibly separated between 1949 and 1976. (19134)
- 19N **Dame Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will publish a contract and schedule of requirements for the contract with procurement reference tender_422492/1326965. (18964)
- 20N **Anne Marie Morris** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, on what evidential basis his Department made an estimate of the total number of short-term lets that would be suitable for primary residences once the furnished holiday let tax regime is ended. (19067)
- 21N **Nick Thomas-Symonds** (Torfaen): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what the total cost to the public purse was of legal (a) support and (b) representation to Ministers in his Department in relation to their official conduct in each of the last three years. (19109)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 26 March

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the Answer of 9 May 2023 to Question 183286 on Veterans: ID cards, how many veteran ID cards have been distributed by local authority area as of 18 March 2024. (18969)
- 2N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how much his Department spent on accommodation for veterans in (a) 2019-20, (b) 2020-21, (c) 2021-22 and (d) 2022-23. (18970)
- 3N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the answer of 13 March 2024, to Question 16599 on Universal Credit: Armed Forces, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of verifying the self-reported armed forces status of universal credit claimants. (18973)
- 4N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 14 March 2024, to Question 17492 on Veterans: Identity Cards, what progress his Department has made on reaching this month's production target for veterans' ID cards. (18971)

- 5N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 14 March 2024, to Question 17492 on Veterans: Identity Cards, whether his Department would make an assessment of the potential merits of assessing the effectiveness of the advertising of the veterans' ID cards application service. (18972)