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Questions tabled on Monday 25 March 2024

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 - [R] Indicates that a relevant interest has been declared.
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Questions for Answer on Tuesday 26 March

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what the cost to the public purse was of funding provided to businesses in South Holland and the Deepings constituency during the covid-19 pandemic through the (a) Retail, Hospitality & Leisure Grant Fund, (b) Small Business Grant Fund and (c) Local Authority Discretionary Grant Fund. [Transferred] (20002)
- 2 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate he as made of the cost to individuals of replacing blue badges lost due to theft. [Transferred] (20067)
- 3 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department has had recent discussions with the Home Office on the theft of blue badges. [Transferred] (20068)
- 4 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate he has made of the number of blue badge thefts in the last 12 months. [Transferred] (20069)
- 5N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to tackle the sale of illegal vapes on the black market. [Transferred] (19918)
- 6 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, for what reason people born after 1 January 1983 are required to provide a valid passport when giving notice of marriage. [Transferred] (20108)

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- 7 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to his Department's press release entitled More synthetic opioids banned to protect communities, published on 20 March 2023, what assessment he has made of the impact of the change in legal status on the (a) spread and (b) use of these substances. [Transferred] (20088)
- 8 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps he is taking to ensure the (a) integrity and (b) confidentiality of digital evidence in sexual assault cases. [Transferred] (20095)
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Questions for Answer on Monday 15 April

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will publish a list of the legacy IT systems across government identified as red-rated by the Central Digital and Data Office. (20313)
- 2 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what outcomes were agreed at the third Summit for Democracy held in Seoul on 18 to 20 March. (20186)
- 3 **Nick Fletcher** (Don Valley): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he has had discussions with the Cabinet Secretary on the contents of a response to the correspondence sent by the Civil Service Sex Equality and Equity Network in October 2023 on Civil Service impartiality. (20467)
- 4 **Jessica Morden** (Newport East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps he has taken since receiving Sir Robert Francis KC's infected blood compensation framework study, published on 7 June 2022. (20236)
- 5N **Nick Thomas-Symonds** (Torfaen): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what recent progress his Department has made on introducing a deed of undertaking to make the requirements of the Business Appointment Rules enforceable for Ministers. (20358)
- 6N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to his Department's data entitled Cabinet Office ministerial overseas travel, July to September 2023, published on 21 March 2024, how much of the £28,700 costs incurred by the Deputy Prime Minister for his visit to New York from 19 to 23 September 2023 were attributable to his share of the £192,198 costs of the RAF flight used for that visit. (20230)

- 7N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to his Department's report entitled Evaluation Task Force Output and Outcome Indicators (March 2024), published on 22 March 2024, how many and what proportion of Evaluation Accelerator Fund projects were rated (a) amber and (b) red as of 1 March 2024. (20232)
- 8 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to his Department's Evaluation Task Force Output and Outcome Indicators March 2024, if he will publish the (a) Evaluation Accelerator Fund projects rated Red and (b) Evaluation Task Force priority projects without robust evaluation plans. (20233)
- 9 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to his Department's data entitled Cabinet Office ministerial overseas travel, July to September 2023, published on 21 March 2024, whether the £192,198 cost of the RAF flight used for the journey to New York on 19 September 2023 include the costs arising from the movement of military personnel between the UK and the USA on that flight. (20234)
- 10 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, what steps the Church is taking to support churches in (a) South Holland and the Deepings constituency and (b) Lincolnshire. (20147)
- 11 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to Table 2.3 of the UK strategic export controls annual report 2022, published on 19 July 2023, HC1681, how many (a) Standard Individual Export Licence and (b) Standard Individual Trade Control Licence export applications were refused under Criterion 2 of the Strategic Export Licensing Criteria due to (i) a clear risk that the items might be used to commit or facilitate internal repression, (ii) established serious violations of human rights in the destination country and (iii) a clear risk that the items might be used to commit or facilitate a serious violation of international humanitarian law. (20181)
- 12 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to Table 2.3 of the UK strategic export controls annual report 2022, published on 19 July 2023, HC1681, if she will list the destination country for refused (a) Standard Individual Export Licence and (b) Standard Individual Trade Control Licence export applications broken down by each Criterion. (20182)
- 13 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to Table 2.4 of the UK strategic export controls annual report 2022, published on 19 July 2023, HC1681, what the (a) destination country and (b) type of goods to be exported were for each Standard Individual Export Licence and Standard Individual Trade Control Licence revoked under Criterion 2. (20183)

- 14 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to Table 2.4 of the UK strategic export controls annual report 2022, published on 19 July 2023, HC1681, what the (a) destination country and (b) type of goods to be exported were for each Standard Individual Export Licence and Standard Individual Trade Control Licence revoked under Criterion 1. (20184)
- 15 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to Table 2.4 of the UK strategic export controls annual report 2022, published on 19 July 2023, HC1681, for what reasons the number of (a) Standard Individual Export Licences and (b) Standard Individual Trade Control Licences revoked under Criterion 1 increased in 2022. (20185)
- 16 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she is taking steps to implement the Export Controls and Human Rights Initiative Code of Conduct. (20187)
- 17 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to the Export Controls and Human Rights Initiative Code of Conduct, what recent discussions she has had with (a) the private sector, (b) academics and (c) civil society representatives on human rights and the implementation of export control measures. (20188)
- 18 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment she has made of the effectiveness of UK export controls in controlling the proliferation of sensitive technology in the areas of (a) artificial intelligence, (b) quantum, (c) biometric tools and (d) intangible technology transfers. (20189)
- 19 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent assessment she has made of the effectiveness of the Wassenaar Arrangement in controlling the dual-use export of (a) artificial intelligence, (b) quantum computing, (c) biometric tools and data and (d) intangible technology transfers. (20190)
- 20 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she is taking diplomatic steps to reform (a) the Wassenaar Arrangement and (b) other export control and non-proliferation agreements. (20191)
- 21 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent assessment she has made of the effectiveness of export controls on cyber-surveillance tools. (20192)
- 22 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what role the National Cyber Security Centre plays in facilitating export controls to prevent the proliferation of sensitive technology in the areas of (a) artificial intelligence, (b) quantum computing, (c) biometric tools and data and (d) intangible technology transfers. (20193)

- 23 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many strategic export licence applications were escalated to Ministers in (a) her Department, (b) the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office and (c) the Ministry of Defence in each year since 2010; and what the destination countries were in each such case. (20194)
- 24 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many extant strategic export licences were referred to Ministers in (a) her Department, (b) the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office and (c) the Ministry of Defence in each year since 2010; and what the destination countries were in each such case. (20195)
- 25 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many export licence applications were escalated to the dispute resolution mechanism or complex cases mechanism in each year since 2010; and what the destination country was in each such case. (20196)
- 26 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many Change in Circumstances Reviews were undertaken in the Export Controls Joint Unit in each year since 2010; and which countries were subject to each such review. (20197)
- 27 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what criteria are used to decide to initiate the Change in Circumstances Review process in the Export Controls Joint Unit. (20198)
- 28 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, on how many occasions the Change in Circumstances Review assessment process in the Export Controls Joint Unit has led to extant export licences being revoked in each year since 2010; and what the destination country was in each case. (20199)
- 29 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, on how many occasions the Change in Circumstances Review assessment process in the Export Controls Joint Unit has led to extant export licences being suspended in each year since 2010; and what the destination country was in each case. (20200)
- 30N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what advertising campaigns directed at local businesses have been undertaken by her Department's trade hub in Northern Ireland since 1 January 2024. (20203)
- 31 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she has had discussions with car manufacturers on levels of disruption to supply chains for (a) temperature sensors and (b) other spare parts for electric vehicles since Russia's invasion of Ukraine. (20429)

- 32 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of requiring manufacturers to provide information to consumers of (a) cars and (b) other high value products on the extent to which repairs for those products are reliant on critical metals that are affected by supply-side disruption as a result of the war in Ukraine. (20430)
- 33N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what progress she has made on establishing an exceptional compensation scheme for holidaymakers who have outstanding (a) loss of life and (b) serious personal injury claims against UK companies. (20310)
- 34 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment she has made of the potential (a) merits and (b) impact on vulnerable groups of dynamic energy pricing. (20372)
- 35 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she has had recent discussions with consumer rights groups on the potential introduction of a more dynamic energy price cap. (20373)
- 36 **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what the pay ranges are at each grade for staff based (a) in and (b) outside of London at the Competition and Markets Authority. (20288)
- 37 **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how much funding the Competition and Markets Authority provided to the Digital Regulation Cooperation Forum in the 2022-23 financial year. (20300)
- 38 **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many Competition and Markets Authority employees were seconded to the Digital Regulation Cooperation Forum in the 2022-23 financial year. (20301)
- 39 **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of energy market liberalisation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo on levels of investment by British hydropower companies in that country. (20244)
- 40 **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether her Department has taken recent steps to help support British hydropower companies to increase trade in the Democratic Republic of the Congo in the context of energy market liberalisation in that country. (20245)
- 41 **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of increasing trade with the Democratic Republic of the Congo on the aid required by that country. (20247)
- 42 **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps she is taking to promote agricultural technology to the Democratic Republic of the Congo. (20248)

- 43N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what powers he has impose financial support for new ferry routes as a condition for companies seeking to operate Freeports. (20434)
- 44N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 13 March 2024 to Question 17476 INEOS: Belgium, what assessment her Department makes of the potential impact on UK (a) sites and (b) industries of the new business outwith the UK. (20435)
- 45N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps her Department is taking to help increase business investment (a) outside London and (b) in (i) York and (ii) north Yorkshire. (20350)
- 46 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether her Department is taking steps to help support people that have been made redundant by The Body Shop International Limited. (20403)
- 47 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will hold discussions with (a) FRP Advisory and (b) The Body Shop International Limited on alleged procedural errors in recent redundancy processes. (20404)
- 48N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 22 February 2024 to Question 14506 on Small Businesses: Telephone Services, how much her Department spend on the operation of the Business Support Helpline in (a) 2021, (b) 2022 and (c) 2023. (20228)
- 49 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether her Department has had recent discussions with Royal Mail on taking steps to help ensure that (a) election candidates' freepost items and (b) postal vote (i) applications and (ii) ballot papers will be delivered on time. (20361)
- 50 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to help (a) continue the operation of the UK Youth Parliament and (b) ensure all regions receive adequate (a) financial and (b) operational support to facilitate the Parliament. (20470)
- 51 **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what the pay ranges are at each grade for staff based (a) in and (b) outside of London at Ofcom. (20290)
- 52 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help improve the quality of sports fields in (a) Lincolnshire and (b) South Holland and the Deepings constituency. (20149)

- 53 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, how many people were fined for littering on National Trust property in the last five years. (20281)
- 54 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, how many people were subject to legal action for camping on National Trust property in each of the last five years. (20282)
- 55N **Olivia Blake** (Sheffield, Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to ensure all children and young people attending alternative provision settings are provided with access to high-quality physical education.[R] (20474)
- 56N **Olivia Blake** (Sheffield, Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what requirements are placed on alternative provision settings to deliver physical education. [R] (20475)
- 57N **Olivia Blake** (Sheffield, Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many and what proportion of alternative provision settings have dedicated space for (a) indoor and (b) outdoor physical education. [R] (20476)
- 58 **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 21 March 2024 to Question 17725 on Academic Freedom, whether she has had recent discussions with the Office for Students on whether (a) higher education institutions and (b) students' unions will have enough time to implement the guidance on securing free speech within the law before those obligations enter into force. (20287)
- 59N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to paragraph 3.15 of the Spring Budget 2024, HC 560, how much and what proportion of the estimated £500 million of additional funding she plans to allocate in the (a) 2025-26 and (b) 2026-27 financial year. (20305)
- 60N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to paragraph 3.15 of the Spring Budget 2024, HC 560, what weighting was given to (a) average earnings growth, (b) changes in the National Living Wage and (c) the (i) consumer price index and (ii) other measures of inflation when estimating that there would be £500 million of additional funding in the 2025-26 and 2026-27 financial years. (20306)
- 61 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the level of (a) qualification and (b) experience of staff employed through teacher supply agencies on educational standards. (20376)
- 62 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of regulating the qualifications and experience of staff made available to schools through teacher supply agencies. (20377)

- 63 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment she has made of the (a) adequacy of the level of experience of cover supervisors in schools and (b) potential impact of the use of cover supervisors on (i) student safety and (ii) educational outcomes. (20378)
- 64 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department plans to take steps to assess the adequacy of qualifications held by people recruited to teacher supply agencies. (20379)
- 65 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department plans to take to support schools in low income areas that may experience challenges in securing qualified supply teachers. (20380)
- 66 **Ellie Reeves** (Lewisham West and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department has issued guidance to independent music education hubs on the removal of additional top-up funding for pension contributions from September 2024. (20363)
- 67 **Ellie Reeves** (Lewisham West and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the decision to create 43 Hub Lead Organisations by Arts Council England on the future of (a) Music Education Hubs and (b) the wider music provision at schools. (20364)
- 68 **Ellie Reeves** (Lewisham West and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to support schools to offer high quality music provision for all children (a) in the curriculum and (b) through (i) local authority-run and (ii) independent Music Education Hubs. (20365)
- 69 **Ellie Reeves** (Lewisham West and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how the Government's Music Hub Investment Programme will support independent Music Education Hubs to provide free music education to all children. (20366)
- 70 **Ellie Reeves** (Lewisham West and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, for what reason additional funding to cover increases in employers' pension contributions will not be provided to existing non-local authority Music Education Hubs beyond the current academic year. (20367)
- 71 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many schools recorded zero young carers in their most recent school census return. (20436)
- 72 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the potential implications for her policies of the number of schools that recorded zero young carers in their most recent school census return; and what steps her Department is taking to improve the identification of young carers in schools. (20437)

- 73 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many people are employed in the gas and oil industry; and what methodology her Department uses to calculate this statistic. (20459)
- 74N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what information his Department holds on oil imported from Indian refineries but originating in Russia to (a) all UK refineries and (b) Grangemouth Refinery. (20431)
- 75N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what checks her Department carries out on oil imported from foreign (a) refineries and (b) states to ensure that it is not from Russia. (20432)
- 76N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether any oil being imported to the UK has been (a) rejected and (b) turned away on the basis that it originated in Russia. (20433)
- 77 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the oral Answer of the Minister for Energy Security and Net Zero to the Question from the hon. Member for Ellesmere Port and Neston of 19 September 2023, Official Report, column 1231, when he plans to write to the hon. Member for Ellesmere Port and Neston. (20329)
- 78 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will make it her policy to cap energy prices based on the time of day that households use their appliances. (20444)
- 79 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether she has made an estimate of the average transmission network costs for (a) inter connectors and (b) domestic generators of electricity in the last 12 months. (20211)
- 80 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what her Department's policy is on the future capacity of new electricity interconnectors in (a) 2025, (b) 2030 and (c) 2040. (20212)
- 81 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, which electricity interconnector projects (a) have received approval and (b) are awaiting approval; and what the megawatt capacity is of each proposed project. (20213)
- 82 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many gigawatt hours of electricity has been imported by individual interconnectors since 2019; and what proportion of total electricity output was generated by interconnectors in (i) 2020, (ii) 2021, (iii) 2022 and (iv) 2023. (20214)
- 83 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many gigawatt hours of electricity was imported in February. (20215)

- 84 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many electricity interconnectors are operational; and what the megawatt capacity is per interconnector. (20216)
- 85 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many gigawatt hours of electricity was produced domestically in the last 12 months. (20217)
- 86 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many gigawatt hours of electricity was exported via interconnectors in the last 12 months. (20218)
- 87N **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many and what proportion of applications her Department has received from heat suppliers via the Energy Bills Discount Scheme; and how many individual heat networks are covered by those applications. (20131)
- 88N **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many qualifying heat supplier certificates have been issued via the Energy Bills Discount Scheme. (20132)
- 89N **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many and what proportion of heat suppliers has her Department taken enforcement action against under the Energy Bills Discount Scheme as of 25 March 2023. (20133)
- 90N **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will make it her policy to accept retrospective support applications from heat suppliers via the Energy Bills Discount Scheme after 31 March 2024. (20134)
- 91N **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps she is taking to help ensure all eligible heat network consumers receive financial support via the Energy Bills Discount Scheme. (20135)
- 92 **Adam Afriyie** (Windsor): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 1sMarch to Question 13992 on Electronic Cigarettes: Smuggling, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of the proposal to ban disposable vapes on the number of illicit vapes in circulation in (a) 2025, (b) 2026 and (c) 2027. (20250)
- 93 **Tracey Crouch** (Chatham and Aylesford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of regulations on the use of snares. (20264)
- 94N **Mr Tobias Ellwood** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help maintain (a) Bournemouth's coastline and (b) the cleanliness of bathing water. (20222)

- 95 **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what the pay ranges are at each grade for staff based (a) in and (b) outside of London at the Food Standards Agency. (20293)
- 96 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the labour supply in the fishing industry. (20462)
- 97 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on plans to tackle labour shortages in the fishing industry. (20463)
- 98 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the implications for his policies of the ability of the fishing industry to attract seasonal workers. (20466)
- 99N **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many and what proportion of local authorities have received funding for surface water management schemes from the flood and coastal erosion risk management investment programme; and what proportion of these schemes are (a) completed, (b) underway and (c) yet to start. (20384)
- 100 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of climate change on flooding in the UK. (20159)
- 101N **Christine Jardine** (Edinburgh West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he (a) has had and (b) plans to have discussions with the Scottish Government on the potential impact of the Dangerous Dogs (Designated Types) (England and Wales) Order 2023 on the transport of dogs between England and Scotland. (20371)
- 102 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what his Department's planned timetable is to consult on which activities should fall within the activity regulations under the Animals (Low-Welfare Activities Abroad) Act 2023. (20422)
- 103 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what his Department's planned timetable is to consult on which activities should fall within the scope of the public consultation on the activity regulations under the Animals (Low-Welfare Activities Abroad) Act 2023. (20423)
- 104 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has met stakeholders to discuss which activities should fall within the scope of the activity regulations under the Animals (Low-Welfare Activities Abroad) Act 2023. (20424)

- 105 **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what plans he has to reform the abstraction licensing regime in England. (20368)
- 106 **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent steps he has taken to improve the collection of data in agricultural water use. (20369)
- 107 **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of making provision of data on water use rates a requirement for agricultural water licences. (20370)
- 108 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of bringing water companies into public ownership. (20256)
- 109 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many horses were slaughtered in abattoirs in (a) 2022 and (b) 2023. (20346)
- 110 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will publish a breakdown by passport issuing agency of horses slaughtered in abattoirs in (a) 2022 and (b) 2023. (20347)
- 111 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will publish a breakdown by passport issuing agency and age of horses slaughtered in abattoirs in (a) 2022 and (b) 2023. (20348)
- 112 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many equines with passports issued by Weatherbys passport issuing agencies were registered as being in training when they were slaughtered in (a) 2021, (b) 2022 and (c) 2023. (20349)
- 113 **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what progress his Department has made on allocating the £75 million additional funding for Internal Drainage Boards. (20489)
- 114 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, on what dates the Priestley Way trash screen that sits on the River Brent and enters the Welsh Harp was cleared by the Environment Agency in the last 12 months. (20280)
- 115 **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what (a) his Department's budget for and (b) the amount spent on the planting of trees was in each year since 2010. (20268)

- 116 **Dr Dan Poulter** (Central Suffolk and North Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to commission the Independent Drainage Board to oversee the maintenance of the River Deben in Suffolk. (20260)
- 117 **Dr Dan Poulter** (Central Suffolk and North Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will require the Environment Agency to commission the Independent Drainage Board to oversee the maintenance of the River Deben in Suffolk. (20261)
- 118 **Dr Dan Poulter** (Central Suffolk and North Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will increase funding to the Environment Agency to clean the tidal stretch of the River Deben in Suffolk to reduce the risk of flooding. (20262)
- 119 **Dr Dan Poulter** (Central Suffolk and North Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what plans he has to support landowners to maintain their own stretches of river along the River Deben in Suffolk to help reduce future flooding risk. (20263)
- 120 **Andrew Selous** (South West Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a technical standard for microplastic filters in washing machines; and whether his Department has had recent discussions with industry representatives on developing a technical standard. (20219)
- 121 **Andrew Selous** (South West Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of the level of microplastic pollution in biosolids; and whether his Department is taking steps to help tackle this issue. (20220)
- 122 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what his planned timetable is to respond to the call for evidence entitled Leaseholder-owned buildings (11m+ or 5 storeys+). (20407)
- 123 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to help support enfranchised leaseholders living in buildings taller than 11 meters with the costs of remediating non-cladding building safety defects. (20408)
- 124 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department issues guidance on the rights of residents living in buildings over 11 meters in height consisting both freeholders and leaseholders. (20409)
- 125 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he has made an estimate of the average portfolio value of leaseholders that own more than three properties. (20410)

- 126 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he has made an estimate of the number and proportion of leaseholders that have declared bankruptcy after not qualifying for the leaseholder protections within the Building Safety Act 2022. (20411)
- 127 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what his planned timetable is for responding to his Department's consultation on Alternative cost recovery for remediation works published on 2 February 2023. (20412)
- 128 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what his planned timetable is for responding to his Department's consultation on building safety directors published on 1 December 2022. (20413)
- 129 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he has made an estimate of the number and proportion of buildings subject to developer self-remediation contracts where (a) building assessments and (b) remediation works have been delayed due to there being no access. (20414)
- 130 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what his planned timetable is for when all buildings subject to a developer self-remediation contract will have had remediation work completed. (20415)
- 131 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to clauses 5.2 and 6.1 of the draft developer remediation contract published by his Department on 30 January 2023, what criteria his Department is using to assess whether developers are undertaking (a) building assessments and (b) remediation works as soon as reasonably practicable. (20416)
- 132 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he has made an estimate of the number and proportion of developers that have (a) signed a self-remediation contract and (b) established a direct communication channel with leaseholders and residents. (20417)
- 133 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether defective fire doors are included as a defect under the terms of the developer self-remediation contract. (20418)
- 134 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to help ensure participant developers in the self-remediation scheme do not commission FRAEW assessments when a previous assessment has already been undertaken. (20419)

- 135 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he is taking steps to help tackle increases in average monthly rent for private tenants. (20374)
- 136 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what information his Department holds on the proportion of private rental properties that do not meet the decent homes standard; and what plans he has to help improve housing quality. (20375)
- 137 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how much and what proportion of levelling up funding allocated to Northern Ireland has been for projects in Belfast South constituency. (20461)
- 138 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to the notification provided to his Department and the Electoral Commission from the Returning Officer for Brighton and Hove City Council of the late delivery of 1,423 postal votes in May 2023; if he will place a copy of his response to the Returning Officer in the House of Commons Library; and what steps he has taken to establish the cause of the late delivery of the voting packs. (20258)
- 139N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many veterans received the Council Tax Reduction in the 2022-23 financial year. (20142)
- 140N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many veterans received Housing Benefit in the 2022-23 financial year. (20143)
- 141N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many veterans were on social housing waiting lists in 2022-23. (20144)
- 142 **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department has had discussions with the devolved Administrations on how they support veterans at risk of homelessness. (20145)
- 143N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how the criteria for the Community Ownership Fund was established; and for what reason local authorities are excluded from applying. (20486)
- 144 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing specialist housing courts. (20390)

- 145 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps his Department is taking to help tackle anti-social behaviour committed by tenants living in rented properties. (20391)
- 146 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he has had recent discussions with the Secretary of State for Justice on the potential impact of the Renters (Reform) Bill on levels of demand on the courts. (20392)
- 147 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an assessment with Cabinet colleagues of the effectiveness of court processes for the repossession of rental properties before the commencement of the Renters (Reform) Bill. (20393)
- 148 **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make a comparative assessment between the adequacy of his Department's funding for economic development in the Canary Wharf area and (a) Chesterfield Borough Council and (b) Derbyshire County Council. (20267)
- 149 **Mr Tobias Ellwood** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps her Department is taking to help improve digital inclusion for people that are unable to access the internet. (20221)
- 150 **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what the pay ranges are at each grade for staff based (a) in and (b) outside of London at the Information Commissioner's Office. (20289)
- 151 **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, how much funding Ofcom provided to the Digital Regulation Cooperation Forum in the 2022-23 financial year. (20296)
- 152 **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, how many Ofcom employees were seconded to the Digital Regulation Cooperation Forum in the 2022-23 financial year. (20297)
- 153 **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, how much funding the Information Commissioner's Office provided to the Digital Regulation Cooperation Forum in the 2022-23 financial year. (20298)
- 154 **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, how many Information Commissioner's Office employees were seconded to the Digital Regulation Cooperation Forum in the 2022-23 financial year. (20299)
- 155 **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, how many employees work for Ofcom's Online Safety directorate as of 25 March 2024. (20304)

- 156 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps her Department is taking to help improve digital inclusion for people who are unable to access the internet. (20284)
- 157 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether her Department is taking steps to help promote research links with Gulf States. (20285)
- 158 **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the pay ranges are at each grade for staff based (a) in and (b) outside of London at the Civil Aviation Authority. (20295)
- 159 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the average waiting time for a driving test was in (a) England and (b) East Midlands as of 25 March 2024. (20146)
- 160 **Mr David Jones** (Clwyd West): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what payments (a) have been made and (b) he plans to make to Avanti West Coast under the terms of the service quality regime agreed with that company. (20223)
- 161 **Tim Loughton** (East Worthing and Shoreham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to ensure National Highways keeps (a) roads and (b) verges clear of litter. (20136)
- 162 **Tim Loughton** (East Worthing and Shoreham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he can take if National Highways fail to clear litter from (a) roads and (b) verges; and what discussions he has had with that agency on such clearance. (20137)
- 163 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the Written Statement of 4 April 2019 on Access for All, HCWS1484, for what reason work to provide step-free access at Mill Hill Broadway has not yet started. (20273)
- 164 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the Written Statement of 4 April 2019 on Access for All, HCWS1484, what recent estimate he has made of when work to provide step-free access at Mill Hill Broadway will be started. (20274)
- 165 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the Written Statement of 4 April 2019 on Access for All, HCWS1484, how many and what proportion of the projects awarded funding through the Access for All programme (a) have been and (b) are yet to be completed. (20275)
- 166 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, over which motorway service areas his Department holds the freehold interest. (20276)
- 167 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether offenders under the Ministry of Justice's community payback project scheme have been used to remove litter from (a) A roads, (b) B roads and (c) motorways. (20277)

- 168 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, for what reason Highways England does not undertake audits of its contractors' work for litter clearance. (20278)
- 169 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will introduce key performance indicators for Highways England in the elimination of rubbish on the strategic roads network. (20279)
- 170 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether Highways England has used the community payback scheme in the last three years. (20283)
- 171 **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if his Department will take steps to ensure that information on how to challenge decisions is available through the Child Maintenance Service portal. (20427)
- 172N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will publish any assessment his Department has made of the accessibility for neurodiverse claimants of the online portal used by claimants to access their universal credit accounts. (20428)
- 173 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the PHSO report on changes to women's State Pension age, published on 21 March 2024, if he will implement its recommendations. (20473)
- 174 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many starts have been recorded for the Youth Offer in (a) South Holland and the Deepings constituency and (b) Lincolnshire as of 25 March 2024. (20148)
- 175 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what information his Department holds on the number and proportion of the working age population who are disabled in (a) the East Midlands and (b) Lincolnshire. (20150)
- 176N **Sir Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what information his Department holds on the number of retired Atomic Energy Agency Technology personnel who have died in the last (a) five, (b) 10 and (c) 15 years without having resolved matters relating to their pensions. (20129)
- 177N **Sir Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to Q329 of the oral evidence given to the Work and Pensions Committee by the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Pensions on 10 January 2024, what progress his Department has made on formulating an adequate means of redress for Atomic Energy Agency Technology pensioners; and what his time-scale is for implementing remedial action. (20130)

- 178N **David Linden** (Glasgow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will publish his Department's assessment of the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman's provisional views on injustice and remedy experienced due to maladministration in communication about the 1995 Pensions Act which were set out in the report published in November 2023. (20381)
- 179N **David Linden** (Glasgow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will publish his Department's (a) communications and (b) minutes relating to the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman's provisional views on injustice and remedy experienced due to maladministration in communication about the 1995 Pensions Act which were set out in the report published in November 2023. (20382)
- 180N **David Linden** (Glasgow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether his Department has undertaken any (a) research and (b) planning for a potential compensation scheme following the publication of the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman's provisional views on injustice and remedy experienced due to maladministration in communication about the 1995 Pensions Act in November 2023. (20383)
- 181 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 25 March 2024 to Question 19031 on Universal Credit: Housing, for what reason there are different qualifying criteria for (a) Support for Mortgage Interest and (b) support that homeowners receive in respect of service charges. (20257)
- 182N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of collecting data on the number of veterans living in garrison towns that claim (a) PIP and (b) Universal Credit. (20141)
- 183 **Jessica Morden** (Newport East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of levels of inflation on the real term valuation of pensions under the (a) Financial Assistance Scheme and (b) Pension Protection Fund. (20237)
- 184 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of reducing the volume of calls to the Personal Independence Payment helpline by extending to two months the time limit for returning Payment (a) application and (b) review forms. (20445)
- 185 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether his Department has made an estimate of the proportion of people phoning the Personal Independence Payment helpline asking for an extension on the deadline to return their Payment form in each of the last six months.. (20446)

- 186 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to promote the Employment and Support Allowance. (20447)
- 187 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether his Department has made an estimate of how many people entitled to the Employment and Support Allowance did not claim it in (a) 2018, (b) 2019, (c) 2020 and (d) 2021. (20448)
- 188 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of extending the eligibility National Insurance criteria for Employment and Support Allowance to people who have paid National Insurance contributions over two full tax years in their lives. (20449)
- 189 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of extending the Personal Independence Payment planning and following a journey descriptors to include (a) access to toilets and (b) fear of falling over due to mobility issues. (20450)
- 190 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of paying people who are waiting for the outcome of their Personal Independence Payment appeal at the rate they received before their last decision. (20451)
- 191 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make it his policy to allow access to the Motability Scheme for (a) claimants of (i) Personal Independence Payment with standard rate mobility and (ii) Disability Living Allowance with low rate mobility, (b) claimants in the process of applying for Personal Independence Payment for up to 18 months to provide time for any appeals and (c) Blue Badge holders. (20452)
- 192 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps he is taking to help fill job vacancies in Romford constituency. (20207)
- 193 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to help expand the support offered by Jobcentres in (a) Romford constituency and (b) the London Borough of Havering. (20208)
- 194 **Peter Dowd** (Bootle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many appraisals for medicines to treat very rare diseases were started through the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence highly specialised technology programme in each financial year since 2018-19. (20317)

- 195 **Peter Dowd** (Bootle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence next plans to review the entry criteria for its highly specialised technologies programme for the evaluation medicines to treat very rare diseases. (20318)
- 196 **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the pay ranges are at each grade for staff based (a) in and (b) outside of London at the Medicine and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency. (20294)
- 197 **Neale Hanvey** (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has had recent discussions with the (a) Chair and (b) Chief Executive of the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency on its statutory function to operate a system of post marketing surveillance in the UK for (i) fatal outcomes and (ii) adverse reactions in patients who have received a covid-19 vaccine. (20439)
- 198 **Neale Hanvey** (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many reports have been received by the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency on (i) fatal outcomes and (ii) adverse reactions in patients who have received a covid-19 vaccine. (20440)
- 199 **Neale Hanvey** (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency will establish an expert review panel to investigate the cause of death for reports of suspected (i) fatal outcomes and (ii) adverse reactions in patients who have received a covid-19 vaccine. (20441)
- 200 **Neale Hanvey** (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath): 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 article in the British Medical Journal entitled Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine is “likely” responsible for deaths of some elderly patients, Norwegian review finds, published on 27 May 2021; and if she will have discussions with the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency on the contents of the report. (20442)
- 201 **Neale Hanvey** (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many of the reports in relation to (a) fatal outcomes and (b) adverse reactions in patients who have received a COVID-19 vaccine received by the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency under its statutory function to operate a system of post marketing surveillance were judged as (i) likely, (ii) possibly and (iii) unlikely to have been caused by Covid-19 vaccine; and how many such reports lacked sufficient information to make a judgement. (20443)
- 202 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many (a) doctors and (b) nurses were employed by United Lincolnshire Hospitals NHS Trust in each of the last five years. (20152)

- 203 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much funding her Department has provided to the United Lincolnshire Hospitals NHS Trust in each year since 2015. (20153)
- 204 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has had recent discussions with York District Hospital on the potential merits of building a new hospital in York in the next 15 years. (20351)
- 205N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate she has made of the timeline for meeting cancer screening uptake targets for (a) breast, (b) cervical, (c) bowel and (d) prostate cancer. (20352)
- 206N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to increase the uptake of screening for (a) breast, (b) cervical, (c) bowel and (d) prostate cancer. (20353)
- 207 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to help improve the accountability of NHS leaders. (20354)
- 208 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will make representations to Cabinet colleagues on enabling the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman to initiate investigations into the NHS. (20355)
- 209 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will bring forward legislation to protect whistleblowers in the NHS complaints process. (20356)
- 210 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what her planned timetable is to respond to the report entitled Leadership for a collaborative and inclusive future, published on 8 June 2022. (20357)
- 211 **Jason McCartney** (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 30 January 2024, how frequently the Minister of State for Health and Secondary Care and the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Public Health, Start of for Life and Primary Car meet to discuss arrangements under section 7A for cancer screening; and on what date they last discussed that matter. (20269)
- 212 **Jason McCartney** (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to then Answer of 30 January 2024 to Question 11063 on Cancer and Public Health, whether the Minister of State for Health and Secondary Care participates in NHS Public Health Functions Agreement accountability meetings. (20270)
- 213 **Jason McCartney** (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 30 January 2024 to Question 11063 on Cancer and Public Health, what steps the Minister of State for Health and Secondary Care can take in the event that key deliverables on cancer screening under section 7A are not being delivered. (20271)

- 214 **Jason McCartney** (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department plans to take to increase breast screening uptake; how much funding she plans to make available for the breast screening uptake improvement plan developed by NHS England; and what recent assessment her Department has made of the effectiveness of the breast screening programme. (20272)
- 215 **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the cost to the public purse was of Government investment into kidney disease research in 2022-23; and which public bodies provided this investment. (20328)
- 216 **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of each Integrated care systems having a (a) specialist allergy nurse and (b) dietitian. (20254)
- 217 **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to improve allergy awareness in health care settings. (20255)
- 218 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the uptake of the cervical cancer vaccine. (20311)
- 219 **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to tackle disparities in access to medical treatment for heart valve disease. (20251)
- 220 **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she plans to include additional material on heart valve disease in the Major Conditions Strategy. (20252)
- 221 **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she has made an estimate of the number of heart valve disease patients treated in non-elective settings in the last 12 months; and whether she has made an assessment of the potential impact of this treatment on (a) hospital capacity and (b) patient's quality of life. (20253)
- 222 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much funding her Department has provided to hospices in each of the last three financial years. (20154)
- 223 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether all NHS hospitals provide the right for patients to choose where they receive treatment; and whether this right is affected by where a patient lives. (20155)
- 224 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to ensure people with diabetes can continue to access the insulin they need. (20362)

- 225 **Richard Burgon** (Leeds East): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has had recent discussions with his Canadian counterpart on the reasons for which that country has suspended arms exports to Israel. (20359)
- 226 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, pursuant to the Answer of 21 March 2024 to Question 19159 on Overseas Investment: Fossil Fuels, if he will publish a full energy portfolio for British International Investment setting out investments in (a) fossil fuels and (b) renewable energy in (i) 2021, (ii) 2022 and (iii) 2023. (20385)
- 227 **John Cryer** (Leyton and Wanstead): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs will meet with hon. Members to discuss the situation in Gaza. (20140)
- 228 **Sir Michael Ellis** (Northampton North): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what information his Department holds on the use of UNWRA push-to-talk networks by Hamas. (20307)
- 229 **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent steps his Department has taken with the United Nations to help tackle (a) drug-resistant tuberculosis and (b) antimicrobial resistance. (20330)
- 230 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has made recent representations to his Ugandan counterpart on the (a) detention and (b) treatment of climate protesters in that country. (20458)
- 231 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, with reference to paragraph 2.22 of the National Audit Office's report entitled Progress with the merger of the Foreign & Commonwealth Office (FCO) and the Department for International Development (DFID), published on 25 March 2024, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the conclusion that development capability has reduced since the merger. (20460)
- 232 **Dame Margaret Hodge** (Barking): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what the annual budget for the UK Action Against Corruption programme (a) was in 2023-24 and (b) is for 2024-25. (20138)
- 233 **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what representations he has made to his Rwandan counterpart on the escalation in fighting between the army of the Democratic Republic of Congo and M23 Tutsi-led rebels in eastern Congo. (20238)

- 234 **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment he has made of the potential risk of a conflict involving (a) South Africa, (b) Burundi, (c) Uganda, (d) Tanzania and (e) Malawi arising from support by Rwanda for the M23 Tutsi-led rebels in eastern Congo. (20239)
- 235 **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what humanitarian support his Department is providing to the civilian population around Goma. (20240)
- 236 **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what estimate he has made of the extent of Rwandan (a) military and (b) financial support for the M23 Tutsi-led rebels in eastern Congo. (20241)
- 237 **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what diplomatic support he is providing to Burundi after the closure of that country's border with Rwanda in January 2024. (20242)
- 238 **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing funding for projects to support agricultural businesses in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. (20243)
- 239 **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing funding for sustainable agricultural equipment for people in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. (20246)
- 240 **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Melton): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment his Department has made of the implications for the regional security of the Balkans of the (a) meeting between the President of Serbia, the President of Republika Srpska and Patriarch Porfirije and (b) planned joint Easter Assembly between Serbia and Republika Srpska. (20453)
- 241 **Robin Millar** (Aberconwy): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what information his Department holds on the number and proportion of (a) headteachers and (b) deputy headteachers at UNWRA schools in Gaza that are members of terror organisations; and whether he has had recent discussions with international counterparts on the adequacy of the governance of UNWRA in Gaza. (20425)
- 242 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will make representations to the Israeli government on the potential merits of enabling a neutral humanitarian organisation to (a) conduct checks on aid and (b) facilitate the opening of more land routes. (20387)

- 243 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will make representations to the Israeli government on (a) publishing an official list of aid that is restricted to Gaza and (b) ensuring that nutritional and medical aid needed to treat starvation are not restricted. (20388)
- 244 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent progress his Department has made on helping to secure the release of hostages in Gaza. (20389)
- 245 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps his Department is taking to support survivors of the Halabja chemical weapons attack living in (a) Halabja and (b) the UK. (20394)
- 246 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps his department is taking to promote relations between the UK and the Kurdistan Region of Iraq. (20395)
- 247 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps he is taking to promote relations between the Kurdistan Regional Government and the Federal Government of Iraq. (20396)
- 248 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps he is taking to help ensure the Federal Government of Iraq uphold the constitutional rights of the Kurdish population. (20397)
- 249 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps his Department is taking to encourage the Federal Government of Iraq to promote inclusion of Kurdish (a) political leaders and (b) Members of Parliament in the (i) Iraqi Council of Representatives in Baghdad and (ii) national political affairs of Iraq. (20398)
- 250 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps he is taking to promote free and fair elections in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq. (20399)
- 251 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps his Department is taking to promote democracy in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq. (20400)
- 252 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps he is taking to promote relations between the Kurdistan Regional Government and Turkey. (20401)
- 253 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps he is taking to promote stability in the (a) region of Kurdistan and (b) surrounding area. (20402)

- 254 **David Mundell** (Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale and Tweeddale): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of the Robert Carr Fund in advancing HIV and health outcomes for inadequately served populations. (20224)
- 255 **David Mundell** (Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale and Tweeddale): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of funding the Robert Carr Fund to support the achievement of the targets in the UNAIDS Global AIDS Strategy 2024-27. (20225)
- 256 **David Mundell** (Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale and Tweeddale): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of the Robert Carr Fund in advancing human rights of inadequately served populations. (20226)
- 257 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether his Department holds information on whether the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) has approved Hamas' use of its supplies and equipment. (20286)
- 258 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps his Department has taken to help support persecuted Christians in South Sudan. (20206)
- 259 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, if he will take steps to increase aid to organisations that employ game wardens. (20156)
- 260 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps he is taking to support international game wardens in protecting vulnerable wildlife populations. (20157)
- 261 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether his Department provides support to international game wardens to adapt to new techniques for tackling illegal wildlife activities. (20158)
- 262 **Greg Smith** (Buckingham): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether he has had discussions with (a) relevant stakeholders and (b) his international counterparts on reported terror activity within and near United Nations Works and Relief Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNWRA) facilities in Gaza. (20438)
- 263 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, If he will make it his policy to expand the British National (Overseas) (BN(O)) passport to include children of BN(O) passport holders. (20477)

- 264 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what recent assessment he has made of the safety of British National (Overseas) passport holders in Hong Kong. (20478)
- 265 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what diplomatic support his Department provides to British National (Overseas) passport holders in Hong Kong. (20479)
- 266N**Hywel Williams** (Arfon): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether the Government plans to resume funding for UNRWA following the decisions of (a) Canada, (b) Australia, (c) Sweden and (d) Finland to resume their funding for that organisation. (20201)
- 267N**Hywel Williams** (Arfon): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what steps the Government is taking to ensure that Israel allows the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) to provide humanitarian aid to northern Gaza. (20202)
- 268N**Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people were charged with criminal offences as a result of Operation Gull in Northern Ireland in 2023. (20204)
- 269 **Tracey Crouch** (Chatham and Aylesford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many 16 to 25 year olds have been arrested for rough sleeping under the Vagrancy Act. (20265)
- 270 **Tracey Crouch** (Chatham and Aylesford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether the Government provides support for young people who have been arrested for rough sleeping under the Vagrancy Act. (20266)
- 271 **Peter Gibson** (Darlington): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of using recovered monies from the proceeds of crime to provide adaptive sports equipment for police officers. (20426)
- 272 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether he has had recent discussions with Cabinet colleagues on how his Department can take steps to help tackle labour shortages in the fishing industry. (20464)
- 273 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if he will make an assessment of the effectiveness of his Department's policies on tackling labour shortages in the fishing industry. (20465)
- 274 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether he has had recent discussions with the police on taking steps to help tackle shoplifting in rural areas. (20151)

- 275 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the national referral mechanism. (20312)
- 276 **Nick Fletcher** (Don Valley): To ask the Leader of the House, pursuant to the Answer of 15 March 2024 to Question 16442 on Legislative Drafting: Gender, when she plans to publish the further information for drafters on gendered language. (20468)
- 277N**Lucy Powell** (Manchester Central): To ask the Leader of the House, when she plans to respond to the First Report of the Procedure Committee on Commons scrutiny of Secretaries of State in the House of Lords, HC 338, published on 24 January 2024. (20314)
- 278N**Lucy Powell** (Manchester Central): To ask the Leader of the House, whether she has had correspondence with the House of Lords Procedure Committee about Commons scrutiny of Secretaries of State in the Lords. (20315)
- 279 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the budget is for the Deterrent and Submarine Systems programme at the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory in the (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26 financial year. (20161)
- 280 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the budget is for the Electromagnetic Activities programme at the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory in the (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26 financial year. (20162)
- 281 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the budget is for the Future Kinetic Effects and Weapons programme at the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory in the (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26 financial year. (20163)
- 282 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the budget is for the Future Sensing programme at the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory in the (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26 financial year. (20164)
- 283N**Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the budget is for the Future Workforce and Training programme at the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory in the (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26 financial year. (20165)
- 284 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the budget is for the High Level Decision Support programme at the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory in the (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26 financial year. (20166)

- 285 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the budget is for the Human Performance and Protection programme at the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory in the (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26 financial year. (20167)
- 286 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the budget is for the Hypersonics programme at the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory in the (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26 financial year. (20168)
- 287 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the budget is for the Influence and Command programme at the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory in the (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26 financial year. (20169)
- 288N **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the budget is for the Land Systems programme at the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory in the (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26 financial year. (20170)
- 289 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the budget is for the Maritime Systems programme at the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory in the (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26 financial year. (20171)
- 290 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the budget is for the Missile Defence programme at the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory in the (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26 financial year. (20172)
- 291 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the budget is for the Security Systems programme at the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory in the (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26 financial year. (20173)
- 292N **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the budget is for the Space Systems programme at the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory in the (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26 financial year. (20174)
- 293 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the budget is for the Specialist Systems programme at the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory in the (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26 financial year. (20175)
- 294N **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the budget is for the Support and Sustainability programme at the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory in the (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26 financial year. (20176)

- 295 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the budget is for the Engineering Biology Project at the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory in the (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26 financial year. (20177)
- 296 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the budget is for the Human Augmentation Project at the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory in the (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26 financial year. (20178)
- 297 **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the budget is for the PULSAR project at the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory in the (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26 financial year. (20179)
- 298N **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the budget is for support to operations and crises at the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory in the (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26 financial year. (20180)
- 299 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what progress his Department has made on their target for women to account for 30% of personnel recruited by 2030. (20420)
- 300 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, for what reason there is no armed forces recruitment target for ethnic minorities. (20421)
- 301N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to his Department's data entitled MOD's ministerial travel, October to December 2023, published on 22 March 2024, whether the published costs of the RAF flights taken by Ministers in his Department during that period represented the total cost of each flight. (20231)
- 302 **Sara Britcliffe** (Hyndburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many communications operators have received a summary conviction under Schedule 1, Part 75(5) of the Digital Economy Act 2017 in each year since the commencement of that Act. (20469)
- 303 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the minimum (a) numbers and (b) grades of staff responsible for HMP Wandsworth are (i) during the night state (ii) when prisoners are unlocked. (20316)
- 304N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of the accessibility of the official injury claim small claims portal. (20308)
- 305N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to paragraph 4 of Practice Direction 1A - Participation of Vulnerable Parties or Witnesses, how many civil cases involve each of the vulnerability factors listed. (20309)

- 306 **Ms Harriet Harman** (Camberwell and Peckham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the answer of 21 March 2024 to Question 18951 on Crown Court: Snaresbrook, to what proportion of email correspondence Snaresbrook Crown Court responds within five-working days of receipt. (20139)
- 307N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many and what proportion of prisoners have (a) an identified mental illness and (b) a diagnosed neurodivergence in each of the last 10 years. (20482)
- 308N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many Mental Health Treatment Requirements were issued per year in each year since 2019. (20483)
- 309N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps he is taking to reduce the number of people with mental illness held in UK prisons. (20484)
- 310N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of mental illness on the size of the prison population. (20485)
- 311 **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps he is taking to reduce delays in the family courts. (20487)
- 312 **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps he is taking to reduce family court waiting times for domestic abuse victims seeking to divorce abusive partners. (20488)
- 313N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many people completed unpaid work on the Community Payback Rapid Deployment Project pilot schemes between June and December 2023; how many hours of unpaid work were completed; and how many and what proportion of those hours were attributable to schemes run in the (a) Greater Manchester, (b) East of England, (c) Wales and (d) North East Probation Service regions. (20229)
- 314 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, how many (a) same and (b) opposite sex couples in Northern Ireland have converted their (i) marriage to civil partnership and (ii) civil partnership to marriage. (20471)
- 315 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, if he will list Heritage Lottery Fund Northern Ireland grants in each of the last five years. (20472)
- 316 **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Prime Minister, pursuant to the Answer of 20 March 2024 to Question 18492 on European Court of Human Rights, whether he considers the Permanent Court of Arbitration to be a foreign court. (20331)

- 317 **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Prime Minister, pursuant to the Answer of 20 March 2024 to Question 18492 on European Court of Human Rights, whether he considers the International Tribunal on the Law of the Sea to be a foreign tribunal. (20332)
- 318 **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Prime Minister, pursuant to the Answer of 20 March 2024 to Question 18492 on European Court of Human Rights, whether he considers the Tribunals of the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes to be foreign tribunals when they meet in (a) Washington DC and (b) London. (20333)
- 319 **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Prime Minister, pursuant to the Answer of 20 March 2024 to Question 18492 on European Court of Human Rights, whether he considers the International Court of Justice to be a foreign court. (20334)
- 320 **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Prime Minister, pursuant to the Answer of 20 March 2024 to Question 18492 on European Court of Human Rights, whether he considers the International Criminal Court to be a foreign court. (20335)
- 321 **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Prime Minister, pursuant to the Answer of 20 March 2024 to Question 18492 on European Court of Human Rights, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the location of the European Court of Human Rights (ECHR) on how its jurisdiction applies to (a) the country in which it is based and (b) other countries; and if he will make a comparative assessment of how the jurisdiction of the ECHR applies in (i) France and (ii) the UK. (20336)
- 322 **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he plans to expand the pilot No Interest Loan Scheme to Northern Ireland. (20205)
- 323 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of the recommendations of Debt Justice's Together Against Debt Manifesto, published in March 2024. (20386)
- 324 **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what the pay ranges are at each grade for staff based (a) in and (b) outside of London at the Financial Conduct Authority. (20291)
- 325 **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what the pay ranges are at each grade for staff based (a) in and (b) outside of London at the Payment Systems Regulator. (20292)
- 326 **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much funding the Financial Conduct Authority provided to the Digital Regulation Cooperation Forum in the 2022-23 financial year. (20302)

- 327 **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many Financial Conduct Authority employees were seconded to the Digital Regulation Cooperation Forum in the 2022-2023 financial year. (20303)
- 328 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether his Department has made an assessment of the (a) short and (b) long term impact of (i) extreme weather and (ii) storms on the economy. (20160)
- 329 **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of reinstating tax-free shopping for international visitors on the high street economy. (20337)
- 330 **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent estimate his Department has made of the impact of ending tax-free shopping for international visitors on tax revenues since 2020. (20338)
- 331 **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment his Department has made of the impact of ending tax-free shopping for international visitors on levels of tourism since 2020. (20339)
- 332 **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent estimate his Department has made of the impact of ending tax-free shopping for international visitors on levels of spending by international visitors since 2020. (20340)
- 333 **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has had recent discussions with airports on the potential merits of reinstating tax-free shopping for international visitors. (20341)
- 334 **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has had recent discussions with airports in Scotland on the potential merits of reinstating tax-free shopping for international visitors. (20342)
- 335 **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he had discussions with airports on the potential merits of reinstating tax-free shopping for international visitors before the Spring Budget 2024. (20343)
- 336 **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he had discussions with airports in Scotland on the potential merits of reinstating tax-free shopping for international visitors before the Spring Budget 2024. (20344)
- 337 **Chris Law** (Dundee West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what regular reviews of the funeral plan market his Department undertook between 2001 and 2018. (20319)

- 338 **Chris Law** (Dundee West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many times a breach of the Regulated Activities Order by a funeral plan company was reported to the Financial Conduct Authority in the last three years. (20320)
- 339 **Chris Law** (Dundee West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what criteria the Financial Conduct Authority uses to decide what markets to (a) monitor and (b) intervene in. (20321)
- 340 **Chris Law** (Dundee West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment (a) his Department and (b) the Financial Conduct Authority made of the implications for their policies of the speed of growth of the funeral plan market between 2001 and 2022. (20322)
- 341 **Chris Law** (Dundee West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the proportion of funeral plan companies that failed to gain regulation following the new regulatory regime in the funeral plan market. (20323)
- 342 **Chris Law** (Dundee West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether Fairer Finance and Dignity raised issues regarding Safe Hands Funeral Plans in meetings with his Department in (a) 2017 and (b) 2018. (20324)
- 343 **Chris Law** (Dundee West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether his Department considered instructing the Financial Conduct Authority to investigate Safe Hands Funeral Plans in (a) 2017 and (b) 2018. (20325)
- 344 **Chris Law** (Dundee West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he made of the implications for his policies of changes in the number of funeral plan companies following the announcement of regulatory change in 2018. (20326)
- 345 **Chris Law** (Dundee West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether his Department made an assessment of the potential merits of requiring the immediate regulation of funeral plan companies that (a) were founded and (b) changed ownership after the announcement of regulatory change in 2018. (20327)
- 346 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 25 March 2024 to Question 19040 on Climate Change: Investment, what steps he is taking to help support the national coordination of funding for climate adaptation. (20259)
- 347 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent estimate his Department has made of the number of people who will become bankrupt as a result of the (a) loan charge and (b) associated activity. (20209)
- 348 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many people have been issued section 684 notices by HMRC in relation to disguised remuneration schemes in the last 12 months. (20210)

- 349 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of changes to the graduate visa route on (a) the financial sustainability of the university sector and (b) local economies. (20405)
- 350 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the decline in international postgraduate student numbers on the UK's economy. (20406)
- 351 **Sir Mike Penning** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, if she will make an assessment of the compatibility of the (a) Government's policy on charging VAT on audiobooks and (b) provisions of the Equality Act 2010 on people (i) with dyslexia, (ii) with sight loss or impairment and (iii) who are unable to hold books. (20227)
- 352 **John Penrose** (Weston-super-Mare): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, when she plans to reply to the correspondence from the hon. Member for Weston-super-Mare of (a) 11 January 2024 and (b) 20 February 2024 on behalf of a constituent on self-identifying gender. (20249)

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Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 19 February 2024 to Question 13342 on Special Educational Needs, if she will allocate additional funding to Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council to help increase its capacity to conduct education health and care plan assessments. (20455)
- 2N **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 19 February 2024 to Question 13342 on Special Educational Needs, what steps her Department is taking to help Stockport Council (a) increase its capacity to undertake and (b) improve the quality of its education, health and care plan assessments. (20456)
- 3N **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential impact of increasing funding for Stockport railway station on the local economy. (20457)
- 4N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many staff in his Department work on child benefit. (20360)
- 5N **Florence Eshalomi** (Vauxhall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much funding her Department has provided for research and development into a (a) cure and (b) vaccine for HIV in each year since 2019. (20480)

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- 6N **Florence Eshalomi** (Vauxhall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much funding her Department plans to provide for research and development into HIV in the (a) 2024-25 and (b) 2025-26 financial year. (20481)
- 7N **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent steps she has taken to help reduce waiting times for child and adolescent mental health services in Stockport constituency. (20454)
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Questions for Answer on Thursday 18 April

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Jessica Morden** (Newport East): To ask the Minister of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of international coordination on supporting (a) peace, (b) human rights and (c) democracy in Sudan. (20235)
- 2N **Angela Crawley** (Lanark and Hamilton East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many employers held visa sponsorship licences in (a) 2020, (b) 2021, (c) 2022 and (d) 2023. (20345)