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Questions tabled on Tuesday 30 July 2024

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Questions for Answer on Monday 2 September

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Solicitor General, what the Government's policy is on the role of the law officers on (a) freedom of information requests, (b) appeals and (c) tribunals on decisions undertaken by the previous Government. (2318)
- 2 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Solicitor General, with reference to The Pensions Increase (Pension Scheme for Keir Starmer QC) Regulations 2013, what the Cash Equivalent Transfer Value of the scheme is; and if he will make an estimate of the cost to the public purse of funding the scheme. (2321)
- 3 **Rebecca Harris** (Castle Point): To ask the Solicitor General, whether his Department provided legal advice on the Government's decision not to challenge the International Criminal Court's jurisdiction on Israel military action in Gaza. (2259)
- 4 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Solicitor General, what (a) statutory and (b) non-statutory direct ministerial appointments excluding special advisers she has made; and (i) who the appointee was and (ii) what the (A) remuneration, (B) title and (C) terms of reference was for each appointment. (2398)
- 5 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will make it his policy to (a) publish on the gov.uk website and (b) keep updated a list of current Parliamentary Private Secretaries. (2495)
- 6 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how much his Department paid to each publisher that took part in the All in, all together advertising campaign since 2020. (2501)

- 7 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what criteria were used to decide which publishers would be invited to take place in the All in, all together campaign since 2020. (2502)
- 8 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will take steps to relocate Government (a) departments and (b) agencies to the South West. (2584)
- 9 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to page 9 of HM Treasury's document entitled Fixing the foundations: Public spending audit 2024-25, published on 29 July 2024, what the estimated cost was of government (a) consultancy and (b) communications in 2022-23; and what the primary sources of each data source are. (2628)
- 10 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to page 6 of HM Treasury's document entitled Fixing the foundations: Public spending audit 2024-25, published on 29 July 2024, whether it is his policy that average public sector pay excluding pension provision should equal private sector pay. (2629)
- 11 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to page 9 of HM Treasury's document entitled Fixing the foundations: Public spending audit 2024-25, published on 29 July 2024, which planned government communications programmes will be cancelled. (2630)
- 12 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to page 6 of HM Treasury's document entitled Fixing the foundations: Public spending audit 2024-25, published on 29 July 2024, what is the gross cost of the civil service pay award for 2024-25. (2631)
- 13 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to page 10 of the report published by HM Treasury entitled Fixing the Foundations: Public spending audit 2024-25, CP 1133, what the (a) headcount and (b) FTE size is of the Civil Service. (2632)
- 14 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the three Ministerial flats in Admiralty House are unoccupied. (2633)
- 15 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to page 10 of HM Treasury's document entitled Fixing the foundations: Public spending audit 2024-25, published on 29 July 2024, whether he plans to sell the (a) leaseholds and (b) freeholds of (i) the Civil Service Club, (ii) Inn the Park and (iii) Marlborough House. (2634)
- 16 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to page 17 of HM Treasury's document entitled Fixing the foundations: Public spending audit 2024-25, published on 29 July 2024, in what other ways he intends to reduce the cost of politics. (2640)

- 17 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the Government plans to issue a revised Cabinet Manual in 2024. [Transferred] (2062)
- 18 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the Prime Minister has appointed a director of trade union relations. [Transferred] (2064)
- 19 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if the Prime Minister will list the job title of each special adviser appointed to 10 Downing Street. [Transferred] (2065)
- 20 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the Cabinet Office guidance entitled Non-corporate communication channels for government business, published in March 2023, what the Government's policy is on Ministers using personal devices for conducting official business. [Transferred] (2066)
- 21 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the final report of the Infected Blood Inquiry, published on 20 May 2024, what steps he is taking to change the culture of the civil service. (2289)
- 22 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the final report of the Infected Blood inquiry (HC 569-I), published on 20 May 2024, what progress his Department has made on identifying potential locations for the permanent memorial to the infected blood victims since May 2024; and what his planned timetable is for consulting those (a) infected and (b) affected by the scandal. (2291)
- 23 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what the average length of time is for the Cabinet Office to process a business appointments rules application from (a) crown servants and (b) special advisers. (2292)
- 24 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will publish a list of (a) each scheduled evaluation on the Cabinet Office Evaluation Registry for all government bodies and (b) what the target date is for each. (2293)
- 25 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the Cabinet Office press release entitled More public institutions can apply for a portrait of The King, published on 12 May 2024, what the take-up rate of the free official portrait of the King is amongst (a) Church of England churches, (b) job centres, (c) NHS hospitals and (d) universities. (2295)
- 26 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what is the average length of time for the Advisory Committee on Business Appointments to process a business appointment rules application from (a) ministers and (b) crown servants. (2296)
- 27 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will provide an annual update to the UK Biological Security Strategy. (2297)

- 28 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what his policy is on allowing civil servants to speak at (a) commercial and (b) voluntary sector conferences in a (i) personal and (ii) trade union capacity. (2298)
- 29 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what plans he has to update the National Cyber Security Strategy. (2299)
- 30 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether organisations in the United Kingdom are subject to assimilated EU law restrictions mandating kernel level software access. (2301)
- 31 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps he is taking to meet the cyber resilience targets for UK critical national infrastructure by 2025; and if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of mandatory cyber security requirements in the UK public sector. (2302)
- 32 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, which Ministers have been allocated a dedicated vehicle from the Government Car Service. (2306)
- 33 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what his planned timetable is for the publication of departmental annual accounts for financial year 2023-24. (2307)
- 34 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many Ministers have been allocated an electric vehicle from the Government Car Service. (2308)
- 35 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he plans to publish civil service headquarters occupancy data. (2322)
- 36 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what flags other than the Union flag he plans to fly on 70 Whitehall in the next 12 months. (2323)
- 37 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of planned labour market reforms on public sector productivity. (2324)
- 38 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what (a) statutory and (b) non-statutory direct ministerial appointments excluding special advisers she has made; and (i) who the appointee was and (ii) what the (A) remuneration, (B) title and (C) terms of reference was for each appointment. (2391)
- 39 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he has had discussions with the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs on the human rights situation in Bangladesh in respect of that country's participation in the Developing Countries Trading Scheme. (2521)

- 40 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether his Department (a) monitors and (b) assesses the extent to which countries participating in the Developing Countries Trading Scheme comply with international (i) human rights, (ii) labour rights, (iii) gender rights and (iv) environmental obligations. (2529)
- 41 **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what discussions his Department have had with the EU on cooperation on chemicals regulation. (2353)
- 42 **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what plans he has for greater data sharing on chemicals regulation with the European Union. (2354)
- 43 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what (a) statutory and (b) non-statutory direct ministerial appointments excluding special advisers he has made; and (i) who the appointee was and (ii) what the (A) remuneration, (B) title and (C) terms of reference was for each appointment. (2408)
- 44 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of using heat batteries for households who experience challenges in installing a heat pump. (2620)
- 45 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to the Written Statement of 30 July 2024 on Low Pay Commission Remit, HCWS43, by what date will 18 to 20 year olds be in receipt of the single adult National Minimum Wage. (2337)
- 46 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to the Written Statement of 30 July 2024 on Low Pay Commission Remit, HCWS43, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of increasing the floor of the National Living Wage rate to one higher than two-thirds of UK median earnings for workers aged 21 and over. (2338)
- 47 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to the Written Statement of 30 July 2024 on Low Pay Commission Remit, HCWS43, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of increasing the National Living Wage in line with the forecast rate of CPI inflation. (2339)
- 48 **Mr Richard Quigley** (Isle of Wight West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to ensure that the industrial strategy applies to the Isle of Wight. (2622)
- 49 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what her Department's policy is on ministerial clearance of contracts relating to external equality, diversity and inclusion providers. (2230)

- 50 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what (a) statutory and (b) non-statutory direct ministerial appointments excluding special advisers she has made; and (i) who the appointee was and (ii) what the (A) remuneration, (B) title and (C) terms of reference was for each appointment. (2410)
- 51 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): 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 sporting facilities in (a) Bedfordshire and (b) Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard constituency. (2617)
- 52 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department will take to help build on the legacy of the Paris Olympics. (2618)
- 53 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will make an estimate of the proportion of households that have access to gigabit-capable broadband in Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard constituency. (2619)
- 54 **Jon Pearce** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that (a) football clubs remain community assets and (b) fans get a greater say in how they are run. (2609)
- 55 **Jon Pearce** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she plans to take steps to help ensure the financial suitability of potential buyers of football clubs. (2610)
- 56 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many local authority group-based providers of Ofsted registered Early Years Foundation Stage (a) education and (b) care provided childcare places in each year since 2010. (2522)
- 57 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many childcare places were provided by local authority group-based providers of Ofsted registered Early Years Foundation Stage (a) education and (b) care in each year since 2010. (2523)
- 58 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many and what proportion of childcare places for children aged between zero and two years were provided by local authority group-based providers of Ofsted-registered early years foundation stage education and care in each year since 2010. (2524)
- 59 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 26 July 2024 to Question 402 on Special Educational Needs, how many children and young people with education, health and care plans have missed (a) one year and (b) more than one year of education in the last five years because they were required by local education authorities to transfer into a year group commensurate with their age. (2493)

- 60 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the adequacy of the rates paid to providers for free hours childcare and early years education. (2500)
- 61 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate she has made of the number of (a) private school pupils in (i) Devon, (ii) Torbay and (iii) Plymouth who will transfer into the state sector in this and each of the next five years and (b) surplus places in state secondary schools in each of those areas in each of those years. (2579)
- 62 **Helen Grant** (Maidstone and Malling): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to help schools to support pupils with dyslexia. (2285)
- 63 **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to increase SEND provision for pupils moving from private to state schools. (2412)
- 64 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what (a) statutory and (b) non-statutory direct ministerial appointments excluding special advisers she has made; and (i) who the appointee was and (ii) what the (A) remuneration, (B) title and (C) terms of reference was for each appointment. (2409)
- 65 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to ensure that the state school sector is able to accommodate children in the independent sector who will need to transfer due to the introduction of VAT on schools in (a) September 2024 and (b) January 2025. (2372)
- 66 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make provision available for the (a) emotional and (b) mental health needs of children transferring from the independent to the state school sector before they transfer. (2373)
- 67 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will take steps to ensure that pupils without an education, health and care who have experienced trauma are exempt from the introduction of VAT on private school fees. (2374)
- 68 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she plans to increase class sizes to accommodate children moving from the independent sector to the state sector. (2375)
- 69 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether All Saints School in York will receive funding for (a) repairs and (b) development. (2381)
- 70 **Anneliese Midgley** (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will publish, for every school in England (a) the unique reference number for that school, (b) the local government areas and their ONS codes within which the school falls, (c) the Parliamentary constituency within which the school falls, (d) the phase of education which the school provides, (e) whether the school teaches children of both sexes, (f) the

number of children currently attending that school, (g) whether the school is a state school or a private school, (h) any faith or religious character to the school, including denomination information, (i) the name of the academy trust, and (j) how many schools in total are run by that trust. (2567)

- 71 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will exempt independent special schools from the removal of business rates charitable rates relief. (2475)
- 72 **Jon Pearce** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to ensure that local authorities (a) adequately capture the needs of SEND children and (b) provide a local offer that adequately meets levels of demand for those needs. (2597)
- 73 **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South and Walkden): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to help reduce waiting times for SEND services in schools. (2256)
- 74 **Jessica Toale** (Bournemouth West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the adequacy of SEND provision in a) Dorset and b) the Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole council area. (2647)
- 75 **Jessica Toale** (Bournemouth West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to improve special educational needs and disabilities provision in a) Bournemouth West constituency and b) Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole council area. (2648)
- 76 **Karl Turner** (Kingston upon Hull East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether students will be able to enrol on all existing applied general qualifications up to and including the 2026-27 academic year. (2287)
- 77 **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to paragraph 83 of the HM Treasury's policy paper entitled, Fixing the foundations public spending audit 2024-25, published on 29 July 2024, if she will take steps to ensure the 2024 pay award for teachers is funded at a school level and takes account of existing staffing costs. [Transferred] (2204)
- 78 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, when the next meeting of the Fiscal Forum between representatives of the oil and gas industry and HMT officials will go ahead. (2460)
- 79 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of not issuing new oil and gas licences on levels of public investment from oil and gas companies. (2462)
- 80 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what his planned timetable is for approving Small Modular Reactors. (2463)

- 81 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what his planned timetable is for the delivery of a new nuclear power plant at Wylfa. (2464)
- 82 **Claire Coutinho** (East Surrey): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether his Department plans to reduce the standing charge on household energy bills. (2534)
- 83 **Claire Coutinho** (East Surrey): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what budget he has allocated for legal costs in the event of legal action from businesses following from his decision not to issue new oil and gas licences. (2539)
- 84 **Dave Doogan** (Angus and Perthshire Glens): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether any of Great British Energy's 8.3bn budget will be spent on funding (a) the offshore renewable energy catapult and (b) other existing technology investment initiatives. (2478)
- 85 **Dave Doogan** (Angus and Perthshire Glens): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what plans he has for (a) whole and (b) partial ownership of (i) offshore and (ii) onshore wind farms by GB Energy by 2045. (2482)
- 86 **Dave Doogan** (Angus and Perthshire Glens): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what plans he has for (a) whole and (b) partial ownership of energy generation capacity by GB Energy by 2045. (2483)
- 87 **Dave Doogan** (Angus and Perthshire Glens): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what plans he has for GB Energy (a) investment in and (b) partial ownership of community energy projects. (2484)
- 88 **Dave Doogan** (Angus and Perthshire Glens): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what plans he has for GB Energy (a) investments in renewable energy supply chains and (b) (i) whole and (ii) partial ownership of supply chain manufacturing companies. (2485)
- 89 **Dave Doogan** (Angus and Perthshire Glens): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what plans he has for GB Energy (a) whole and (b) partial ownership of electricity transmission infrastructure. (2486)
- 90 **Dave Doogan** (Angus and Perthshire Glens): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what proportion of Great British Energy's budget will be allocated to early development work to help de-risk private sector investments over the next five years. (2487)
- 91 **Dave Doogan** (Angus and Perthshire Glens): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he plans to introduce zonal energy markets in the UK. (2488)

- 92 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what estimate he has made of the cost to the public purse of setting up GB Energy. (2233)
- 93 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what (a) statutory and (b) non-statutory direct ministerial appointments excluding special advisers he has made; and (i) who the appointee was and (ii) what the (A) remuneration, (B) title and (C) terms of reference was for each appointment. (2403)
- 94 **Melanie Onn** (Great Grimsby and Cleethorpes): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of lower carbon-emitting fuels on the rate of decarbonisation of the maritime sector. (2363)
- 95 **Melanie Onn** (Great Grimsby and Cleethorpes): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent assessment he has made of the potential impact of district heating schemes on levels of energy poverty. (2364)
- 96 **Melanie Onn** (Great Grimsby and Cleethorpes): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he plans to provide (a) financial and (b) other support to regional energy cluster organisations. (2365)
- 97 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to help ensure that farmers are fairly remunerated for their produce. (2491)
- 98 **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what the ecological rating of rivers are in Mid Leicestershire constituency. (2685)
- 99 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what his planned timescale for introducing legislation to ban the import of hunting trophies. (2281)
- 100 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what his planned timescale for publishing a response to the consultation entitled the Fur market in Great Britain, published on 31 May 2021. (2282)
- 101 **Dr Beccy Cooper** (Worthing West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has had discussions with the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care on meeting WHO clean air standards. (2668)
- 102 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he plans to take to help improve the quality of bathing water around Britain's shores. (2583)

- 103 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will take steps to ensure water quality monitoring data is published all year round. (2585)
- 104 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when he plans to publish the updated UK Food Security Report. (2226)
- 105 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to tackle coastal erosion in Hemsby; and if he will meet the hon. Member for Great Yarmouth to discuss the criteria for his Department's funding of coastal erosion programmes. (2623)
- 106 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what (a) statutory and (b) non-statutory direct ministerial appointments excluding special advisers he has made; and (i) who the appointee was and (ii) what the (A) remuneration, (B) title and (C) terms of reference was for each appointment. (2392)
- 107 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of (a) Anglian Water and (b) all water companies in England in (i) identifying and (ii) removing barriers that prevent the connectivity of surface waters. (2621)
- 108 **Jon Pearce** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department are taking to sanction companies that pollute waterways with sewage. (2606)
- 109 **Adrian Ramsay** (Waveney Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of powers and resources currently available to (a) local authorities and (b) the Environment Agency to enforce environmental protection laws. (2682)
- 110 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking with the Secretary of State for the Home Department to help prevent dog attacks on postal workers. [Transferred] (2086)
- 111 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to discontinue the use of the pesticide thiamethoxam, in the context of its alleged toxicity to bees. (2329)
- 112 **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Wyre): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of the aim of the Bottle Stop campaign to ensure that all bottles in clubs and bars are plastic instead of glass. (2361)

- 113 **Jessica Toale** (Bournemouth West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to hold water companies accountable for alleged sewage discharge. (2649)
- 114 **Jessica Toale** (Bournemouth West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to improve coastal water in Bournemouth West constituency. (2650)
- 115 **Jessica Toale** (Bournemouth West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to tackle sewage discharges by Wessex Water in Bournemouth West constituency. (2651)
- 116 **Jessica Toale** (Bournemouth West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what data his Department holds on sewage discharges into the sea in Bournemouth in each of the last 5 years. (2652)
- 117 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what (a) statutory and (b) non-statutory direct ministerial appointments excluding special advisers he has made; and (i) who the appointee was and (ii) what the (A) remuneration, (B) title and (C) terms of reference was for each appointment. (2400)
- 118 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if he will have discussions with the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care on the potential merits of increasing funding for new radiotherapy technologies. (2244)
- 119 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an estimate of the proportion of the road network that was restricted due to (a) roadworks and (b) closures on 22 July 2024. (2543)
- 120 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the annual cost is of (a) overrunning and (b) delayed road maintenance works. (2544)
- 121 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to ensure that (a) roadworks and (b) road maintenance are carried out in the most (i) efficient and (ii) cost-effective way. (2545)
- 122 **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what representations she has made to the Chancellor of the Exchequer on retaining the £2 bus fare scheme beyond December 2024. (2688)
- 123 **Siân Berry** (Brighton Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an estimate of the percentage change in real terms of the average cost per kilometre to an individual of travelling by (a) private car, (b) bus, (c) train and (d) domestic aeroplane since (i) 1997, (ii) 2010, (iii) 2015, (iv) 2017 and (v) 2019. (2672)

- 124 **Siân Berry** (Brighton Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much (a) revenue and (b) capital funding her Department for (i) walking, (ii) cycling, (iii) healthy and safer streets, (iv) disabled access and (v) other ways to support active travel in England in each financial year since 2010-11. (2679)
- 125 **Siân Berry** (Brighton Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when she plans to publish an updated Road Safety Statement; and whether that update will include a Vision Zero approach. (2681)
- 126 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what progress she has made on (a) rail and (b) station improvements in (i) Torbay and (ii) Devon. (2581)
- 127 **Sir Oliver Dowden** (Hertsmere): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she plans to allocate further funding through the Access for All programme. (2362)
- 128 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what (a) statutory and (b) non-statutory direct ministerial appointments excluding special advisers she has made; and (i) who the appointee was and (ii) what the (A) remuneration, (B) title and (C) terms of reference was for each appointment. (2397)
- 129 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 266 July 2024 to Question 722 on Public Transport, which Local Transport Authorities (a) are using and (b) plan to use Bus Service Improvement Plan funding to fund Demand Responsive Transport schemes. (2616)
- 130 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what plans she has for the West Midlands Rail Hub. (2344)
- 131 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to support the long-term sustainability of rolling stock manufacturing. (2546)
- 132 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to ensure that the costs associated with the establishment of Great British Railways remain within budget. (2547)
- 133 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what progress her Department has made on the (a) designs for and (b) delivery of the Midlands Rail Hub. (2548)
- 134 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she plans to take to help ensure that public railway operators achieve passenger growth. (2549)
- 135 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what (a) the criteria for assessment and (b) her Department's planned timeline is for the review of individual Restoring Your Railways projects. (2550)

- 136 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to help mitigate the impact of the cancellation of the Restoring Your Railway programme on (a) regional connectivity and (b) economic development. (2551)
- 137 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will take steps to ensure engagement with (a) the public and (b) campaign groups on decisions on transportation projects that have been (i) halted or (ii) altered due to the cancellation of the Restoring Your Railway programme. (2552)
- 138 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what progress her Department has made on (a) strategic rail projects in the north of England and (b) Northern Powerhouse Rail. (2553)
- 139 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether any rail operators will be brought into public ownership before their contract expires. (2554)
- 140 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she plans to take to ensure that there is a smooth transition from private to public rail operators. (2555)
- 141 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to help (a) maintain and (b) improve the operational performance of (i) Greater Anglia and (ii) other private rail operators during the transition to public ownership. (2556)
- 142 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how she plans to manage the capacity of DfT OLR Holdings Limited to absorb additional rail franchises; and what steps she is taking to expand its capabilities. (2557)
- 143 **Jon Pearce** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment her Department has made of the impact of ticket office closures in railway stations on communities; and what steps she plans to take to avoid closures. (2607)
- 144 **Jon Pearce** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment her Department has made of the impact of online-only booking at railway stations on elderly travellers. (2608)
- 145 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to enforce vehicle excise duty rules for car rental companies that use vehicles registered outside the UK. (2327)
- 146 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his (a) Department and (b) agencies take steps to (i) monitor and (ii) prevent the use of vehicles by car rental operators registered outside of the UK to circumvent the zero emission vehicle mandate. (2328)

- 147 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department will continue to fund improvements to the Tyne Bridge and Central Motorway A167 (M). (2261)
- 148 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department will continue to fund improvements to the Blyth Relief Road. (2262)
- 149 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department will continue to fund improvements to the Sunderland Strategic Transport Corridor (phase 4). (2263)
- 150 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department will continue to fund improvements to the Middleswich Eastern Bypass. (2264)
- 151 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department will continue to fund the A34 MRN Cheadle – Handforth improvement plan (phase 1). (2265)
- 152 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department will continue to fund improvements to the A500 dualling. (2266)
- 153 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department plans to fund improvements to the A595 Grizebeck bypass. (2267)
- 154 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department plans to fund improvements to the Warrington Western Link Road. (2268)
- 155 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will continue to fund improvements to the A582 South Ribble Western Distributor. (2269)
- 156 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will continue to fund improvements to the Kendal Northern Access route. (2270)
- 157 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will continue to fund improvements to the Rocket junction Liverpool-M62 junction 4/A58 project. (2271)
- 158 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department will fund improvements to the Wigan East West project. (2272)

- 159 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department will fund improvements to the A164/Jock's Lodge junction improvement scheme. (2273)
- 160 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department will fund improvements to the A1237 York Outer Ring Road dualling phase 1 project. (2274)
- 161 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department will fund improvements to the Dawson's Corner junction and Stanningley Bypass scheme. (2275)
- 162 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department will fund improvements to the A650 Tong Street Bradford scheme. (2276)
- 163 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department will fund improvements to the Shalesmoor Gateway project. (2277)
- 164 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department will fund improvements to the Sheffield City Region Innovation Corridor. (2278)
- 165 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department will fund improvements to the A1079 improvement scheme in Wilberfoss. (2279)
- 166 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department will fund improvements to the A1237 York Outer Ring Road dualling phase 2 Wetherby Road to A19 project. (2280)
- 167 **Greg Smith** (Mid Buckinghamshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department plans to respond to the closed consultation entitled Street works: fines and lane rental surplus funds. (2506)
- 168 **Greg Smith** (Mid Buckinghamshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department plans to respond to the consultation entitled Pavement parking: options for change, published on 29 June 2023. (2507)
- 169 **Greg Smith** (Mid Buckinghamshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether it is her policy to build new smart motorways. (2508)
- 170 **Greg Smith** (Mid Buckinghamshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what plans she has for (a) retaining and (b) amending her Department's statutory guidance entitled Implementing low traffic neighbourhoods, which was published on 17 March 2024. (2509)

- 171 **Greg Smith** (Mid Buckinghamshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if her Department will make an assessment of the potential impact of introducing a phase-out date of 2030 for new cars with internal combustion engines. (2510)
- 172 **Greg Smith** (Mid Buckinghamshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will use money from the cancellation of the A27 to repair potholes. (2511)
- 173 **Greg Smith** (Mid Buckinghamshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to improve bus services in rural areas. (2512)
- 174 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will take steps to manage HGV traffic to Dover in addition to the use of (a) Operation Brock and (b) Brenley Corner. (2433)
- 175 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will take steps to implement an alternative to Operation Brock in summer 2024. (2434)
- 176 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much funding her Department plans to provide for road improvements at (a) Blue Bell Hill, (b) Brenley Corner and (c) other roads in Kent. (2435)
- 177 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department will continue to fund improvements to (a) Brenley Corner and (b) Bluebell Hill. (2436)
- 178 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she plans to provide additional funding to fill in potholes in Kent. (2437)
- 179 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment she has made of the effectiveness of Automatic Number Plate Recognition car pilots in the London Borough of (a) Lambeth and (b) Southwark. (2438)
- 180 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she has plans to increase the number of clean air zones. (2442)
- 181 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she has plans to increase the number of roads with 20 mph speed limits. (2443)
- 182 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she has plans to increase the number of low traffic neighbourhoods. (2444)
- 183 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she plans to (a) consider further introductions of and (b) increase the use of (i) congestion, (ii) ultra low emission zone and (iii) pay per mile road charges. (2445)

- 184 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what research her Department has (a) undertaken and (b) commissioned into the potential impacts of (i) pay per mile road charging and (ii) similar schemes. (2446)
- 185 **Sir John Whittingdale** (Maldon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much funding her Department plans to provide for a new Army and Navy Roundabout in Chelmsford. (2223)
- 186N **Claire Young** (Thornbury and Yate): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will take steps to introduce a minimum bus service frequency standard in rural areas. (2615)
- 187N **Edward Argar** (Melton and Syston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people in the Melton Borough received winter fuel allowance payments in 2023. (2346)
- 188 **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people in Mid Leicestershire constituency will be impacted by the decision to abolish universal winter fuel payments. (2687)
- 189 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many and what proportion of people over State Pension age paid income tax at (a) the basic rate of 20%, (b) the higher rate of 40% and (c) the additional rate of 45% in the last financial year. (2694)
- 190 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an estimate of the impact of removing the entitlement to the Winter Fuel Allowance from people over State Pension age who pay tax at (a) the higher rate of 40% and (b) the additional rate of 45% on the public purse in the next financial year. (2695)
- 191 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people (a) claimed and (b) were eligible to claim Pension Credit in each of the last three financial years. (2696)
- 192 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how much pension credit was unclaimed in (a) 2021, (b) 2022 and (c) 2023. (2697)
- 193 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people over state pension age have been (a) assessed as spending more than 10% of their income on fuel (b) assessed as being eligible for pension credit and (c) receiving pension credit for the financial year 2023-24. (2698)
- 194 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people in Poole constituency are (a) eligible for and (b) in receipt of pension credit. (2699)

- 195 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the cost to the public purse was of staff diversity networks in her Department in each of the last five years. (2234)
- 196 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what (a) statutory and (b) non-statutory direct ministerial appointments excluding special advisers she has made; and (i) who the appointee was and (ii) what the (A) remuneration, (B) title and (C) terms of reference was for each appointment. (2389)
- 197 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of proposed changes to the eligibility for the Winter Fuel Payment on levels of equality. (2376)
- 198 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate her Department has made of the number of people eligible for but not claiming Pension Credit in Middlesbrough & Thornaby East constituency. (2332)
- 199 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to increase the uptake of pension credit by those eligible in Middlesbrough and Thornaby East constituency. (2333)
- 200 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate her Department has made of the number of pensioners living in (a) relative poverty and (b) absolute poverty that are not in receipt of Pension Credit. (2334)
- 201 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department plans to take to help support low income pensioners that will no longer receive the Winter Fuel Payment. (2335)
- 202 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what discussions she has had with stakeholders on the decision to withdraw eligibility for Winter Fuel Payments from those not in receipt of Pension Credit. (2336)
- 203 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people are eligible for the Winter Fuel Payment in each Parliamentary constituency; and what estimate she has made of the number of people that will be eligible after the proposed means testing for that payment. (2476)
- 204 **Kevin Bonavia** (Stevenage): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help improve (a) the physical and mental health and (b) other aspects of the lives of unpaid and kinship carers. (2573)
- 205 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help improve pancreatic cancer outcomes. (2466)

- 206 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many of the new hospitals in the New Hospital Programme have planning permission. (2494)
- 207 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 23 July to Question 383 on Wheelchairs: Procurement, if he will take steps to solicit feedback from ICBs on the performance of AJM Healthcare in their areas. (2496)
- 208 **Dr Beccy Cooper** (Worthing West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to establish a health mission to tackle the (a) social determinants of health and (b) regional gap in healthy life expectancy. (2667)
- 209 **Dr Beccy Cooper** (Worthing West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what progress his Department has made on the implementation of a ban on junk food advertising before the watershed. (2670)
- 210 **Dr Beccy Cooper** (Worthing West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to protect those most at risk of harm from gambling and betting. (2671)
- 211 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make it his policy to continue funding (a) family hubs and (b) the Start for Life programme. (2574)
- 212 **Marsha De Cordova** (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 30 July 2024 to Question 1339 on Accessible Information Standard, for what reason NHS England cannot provide a specific date for publication. (2469)
- 213 **Dame Caroline Dinenage** (Gosport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make it his policy to support the continuation of the Children and Young People Cancer Taskforce. (2283)
- 214 **Mary Glendon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure that abortion providers meet their obligations to ensure that a woman's gestational age is accurately assessed before she may be prescribed abortion pills to be taken at home. (2326)
- 215 **Helen Grant** (Maidstone and Malling): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help improve the diagnosis of dyslexia in children. (2284)
- 216 **Kim Leadbeater** (Spennings Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to support (a) children and (b) other people with long covid. (2563)
- 217 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what (a) statutory and (b) non-statutory direct ministerial appointments excluding special advisers he has made; and (i) who the appointee was and (ii) what the (A) remuneration, (B) title and (C) terms of reference was for each appointment. (2407)

- 218 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the pay differential between junior doctors and Agenda for Change staff following his Department's recent pay offer to junior doctors. (2382)
- 219 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment has he made of the potential impact of the Government's pay offer to non-Pay Review Body staff on (a) recruitment and (b) retention in those organisations. (2383)
- 220 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he plans to take to help registrars find work in the North of England. (2530)
- 221 **Sarah Owen** (Luton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what percentage of the recent pay award for Agenda for Change staff will be funded from (a) existing NHS budgets, (b) the Departmental budget, (c) additional funding from the Treasury, (d) efficiencies, and (e) any other sources; and what consequential funding will be allocated to each of the devolved administrations as a result. (2504)
- 222 **Jon Pearce** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many mental health support teams there were in (a) High Peak constituency, (b) Derbyshire and (c) London in each year since 2010. [Transferred] (2173)
- 223 **Jon Pearce** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve access to mental health services in High Peak constituency. (2594)
- 224 **Jon Pearce** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to support the recruitment and retention of GPs in High Peak constituency. (2598)
- 225 **Jon Pearce** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what proportion of care homes are rated as good by the Care Quality Commission in High Peak constituency. (2599)
- 226 **Jon Pearce** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of GP surgeries are rated as good by the Care Quality Commission in High Peak constituency. (2600)
- 227 **Jon Pearce** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to support the (a) recruitment and (b) retention of mental health specialists in High Peak constituency. (2601)
- 228 **Jon Pearce** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what (a) support and (b) resources his Department has provided to help support GP surgeries to (i) clear patient backlogs and (ii) reduce workloads in High Peak constituency. (2602)

- 229 **Jon Pearce** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to reduce waiting times for elective surgeries for people in High Peak constituency. (2603)
- 230 **Jon Pearce** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will provide additional funding for the provision of out-of-hours GP appointments in (a) High Peak constituency and (b) Derbyshire. (2604)
- 231 **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South and Walkden): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether the plans to increase dental training places by 40% by 2031-32 outlined in the NHS Long Term Workforce Plan are fully funded. (2248)
- 232 **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South and Walkden): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much capital funding he plans to provide to expand dental school estates to accommodate the increased number of dental students from September 2026. (2251)
- 233 **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South and Walkden): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of funding for the planned extension of Dental Foundation Training places after 2031. (2252)
- 234 **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South and Walkden): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to support those impacted by Primodos. (2253)
- 235 **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South and Walkden): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will commission an independent review of the Report of the Commission on Human Medicines' Expert Working Group on Hormone Pregnancy Tests, published on 15 November 2017. (2254)
- 236 **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South and Walkden): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the regulation of sales of weight loss injections by online pharmacies. (2258)
- 237 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to increase radiotherapy treatment capacity for patients in Romford constituency. (2239)
- 238 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of implementing a cancer plan that (a) increases (a) radiotherapy and (b) other services. (2240)
- 239 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has taken steps to increase workforce capacity for (a) cancer care and (b) radiotherapy treatment services. (2241)

- 240 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to use the impact assessment entitled Tobacco and Vapes Bill: impact assessment, published on 20 March 2024, as part of its forthcoming Tobacco and Vapes Bill. (2242)
- 241 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has made an estimate of future licensing and enforcement costs of a generational ban on tobacco. (2243)
- 242 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to introduce the Tobacco and Vapes Bill. (2330)
- 243 **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Wyre): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to take steps to help ensure mental health services are accessible to patients in rural communities. (2359)
- 244 **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Wyre): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps with representatives from the farming sector to support people with mental health issues in rural communities. (2360)
- 245 **Rebecca Smith** (South West Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans he has for the proposed urgent and emergency care centre at Derriford Hospital in Plymouth. (2666)
- 246 **Jessica Toale** (Bournemouth West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve (a) access to and (b) the provision of NHS dentistry in Bournemouth West constituency. (2653)
- 247 **Jessica Toale** (Bournemouth West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of NHS dental provision in (a) Bournemouth West constituency and (b) Dorset. (2654)
- 248 **Jessica Toale** (Bournemouth West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many children aged four and under have been admitted to hospital for tooth extraction due to decay in each of the last five years. (2655)
- 249 **Jessica Toale** (Bournemouth West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many dental practices offered NHS services in Bournemouth West constituency in each year since 2015. (2656)
- 250 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department supports an (a) impartial, (b) independent and (c) transparent investigation into alleged human rights violations in Bangladesh. (2513)

- 251 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the UK has provided training to the (a) Bangladeshi police, (b) Bangladeshi military and (c) Rapid Action Battalion. (2515)
- 252 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with his Bangladeshi counterparts on the (a) student protests and (b) human rights situation in that country; and if he will make a statement. (2516)
- 253 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had recent discussions with the Secretary of State for Business and Trade on the Developing Countries Trading Scheme and human rights in Bangladesh. (2519)
- 254 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make representations to his Bangladeshi counterpart on releasing information on student protests. (2526)
- 255 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his Department's policies of the (a) arrests and (b) detention of (i) student leaders and (ii) protest participants in Bangladesh. (2527)
- 256 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had recent discussions with his Bangladeshi counterpart on allegations of (a) violence towards protestors, (b) unlawful killings, (c) torture, (d) the shutting down of the internet and mobile services and (e) other forms of repression in Bangladesh. (2528)
- 257 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of the report by Oxfam entitled Water War Crimes, published 18 July 2024. (2664)
- 258 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department plans to examine alleged instances of damage to (a) water, (b) sanitation and (c) Hygiene infrastructure in Gaza when commissioning future legal advice on arms sales to Israel. (2665)
- 259 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make it his policy to seek negotiations with the EU on extending the duration of Schengen Area visas for UK citizens travelling to the EU for longer than 90 days. (2499)

- 260 **Dr Beccy Cooper** (Worthing West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of attacks against health (a) workers and (b) facilities in Myanmar. (2669)
- 261 **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he plans to bring UK sanctions in line with the humanitarian exemption in UN Security Council Resolution 2664. (2352)
- 262 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the Prime Minister plans to use the Government Wine Cellar for functions at 10 Downing Street. [Transferred] (2067)
- 263 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what (a) statutory and (b) non-statutory direct ministerial appointments excluding special advisers he has made; and (i) who the appointee was and (ii) what the (A) remuneration, (B) title and (C) terms of reference was for each appointment. (2404)
- 264 **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South and Walkden): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of the (a) capacity of (i) hospitals and (ii) primary health care centres and (b) availability of (A) medicine and (B) basic medical supplies in Gaza. (2255)
- 265 **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South and Walkden): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what diplomatic steps he is taking to support international partners with ceasefire discussions on Gaza. (2257)
- 266 **Jack Rankin** (Windsor): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with his Israeli counterpart on the Hezbollah attack on Majdal Shams on 27 July 2024. (2689)
- 267 **Jack Rankin** (Windsor): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to prevent (a) illicit weapons smuggling and (b) the destabilisation of the Middle East by Iran. (2690)
- 268 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what conditions he has placed on the restoring of funding to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA). (2559)
- 269 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he plans to take to monitor the likelihood of his Department's funding reaching Hamas through the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA). (2560)

- 270 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help secure the release of people taken hostage by Hamas. (2561)
- 271 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of the reported treatment of released Israeli hostage Andrey Kozlov. (2562)
- 272 **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Wyre): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he plans to take to use the UK's position as penholder for Sudan at the UN Security C Council to press for (a) a ceasefire before peace talks in August, (b) adherence to international humanitarian law and (c) the free flow of humanitarian aid. (2358)
- 273 **Greg Smith** (Mid Buckinghamshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what diplomatic steps he is taking to respond to Hezbollah military activity against Israel. (2505)
- 274 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether additional funding will be provided to Police and Crime Commissioners (a) to deliver above-inflation pay rises and (b) long term. (2490)
- 275 **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many asylum applicants are resident in hotels in Mid Leicestershire constituency. (2683)
- 276 **Siân Berry** (Brighton Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will bring forward legislative proposals to set conditions for and regulate the use and deployment of live facial recognition technology by police forces in England and Wales. (2680)
- 277N **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she plans to make wildlife crimes notifiable; and whether she plans to include those crimes in national statistics. [Transferred] (1917)
- 278 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make it her policy to grant visa extensions to Ukrainian nationals under the age of 18 on the Ukrainian Sponsorship Scheme that want to pursue higher education. (2497)
- 279 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what guidance her Department provides on rules governing the recruitment of Deputy Police and Crime Commissioners. (2575)
- 280 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether the Government plans to take steps to increase transparency around the recruitment of Deputy Police and Crime Commissioners. (2576)

- 281 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she plans to abolish the recruitment of deputy Police and Crime Commissioners. (2577)
- 282 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will introduce legislation to (a) abolish the post of Police and Crime Commissioners and (b) replace them with local boards of elected councillors. (2578)
- 283 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she plans to criminalise the act of exploiting children for criminal purposes. (2587)
- 284 **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what guidance her Department issues on whether people living in the UK on a Graduate visa can start a Master's degree while waiting for a decision in relation to their application for a Family visa. (2612)
- 285 **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the increase in the earnings threshold for overseas workers on the care sector. (2355)
- 286 **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the impact of the increase in the earnings threshold for overseas workers on the higher education sector. (2356)
- 287 **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the impact of the increase in the earnings threshold for overseas workers on the food and drink sector. (2357)
- 288 **Mary Glendon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to ensure that offers of practical help to women outside abortion clinics will be permitted when section 9 of the Public Order Act 2023 is implemented. (2325)
- 289 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what (a) statutory and (b) non-statutory direct ministerial appointments excluding special advisers she has made; and (i) who the appointee was and (ii) what the (A) remuneration, (B) title and (C) terms of reference was for each appointment. (2401)
- 290 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how much was loaned through refugee integration loans in each year since the scheme was created. (2470)
- 291 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how much she expects will be loaned in refugee integration loans this year. (2471)

- 292 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the cost to the public purse of the asylum system was in each year since 2005; and what estimate she has made of the cost for 2024. (2472)
- 293 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the median cost per night for hotel accommodation for asylum seekers was in the most recent year for which figures are available; and what the cost was of the (a) most and (b) least expensive decile. (2473)
- 294 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the supported asylum population in each local authority ward in England was on 31 December 2003. (2474)
- 295N **Dr Simon Opher** (Stroud): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she plans to review measures within the Public Order Act 2023 on restrictions to the right to protest. (2565)
- 296 **Jessica Toale** (Bournemouth West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people are a) waiting for a decision on their asylum applications in Bournemouth and b) currently residing in hotels in Bournemouth. (2642)
- 297 **Jessica Toale** (Bournemouth West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many hotels are being used as temporary accommodation for people seeking asylum in a) the United Kingdom, b) the South West and c) Bournemouth. (2643)
- 298 **Jessica Toale** (Bournemouth West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what measures her Department is taking to end housing of people claiming asylum in hotels in Bournemouth West constituency. (2644)
- 299 **Jessica Toale** (Bournemouth West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to tackle a) anti-social behaviour and b) illegal drug use in town centres. (2645)
- 300 **Jessica Toale** (Bournemouth West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many (a) sexual assaults and (b) rapes were reported in (i) Bournemouth and (ii) the South West in each of the last three years. (2646)
- 301 **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department has made of the potential merits of increasing funding for support services for victims of sexual assault and violence. (2662)
- 302 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Leader of the House, whether she plans to amend the Restoration and Renewal (a) budget, (b) timetable and (c) decant policy. (2314)

- 303 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Leader of the House, what (a) statutory and (b) non-statutory direct ministerial appointments excluding special advisers she has made; and (i) who the appointee was and (ii) what the (A) remuneration, (B) title and (C) terms of reference was for each appointment. (2395)
- 304 **Richard Tice** (Boston and Skegness): To ask the Leader of the House, if she make it her policy that the resolution restricting short money for parties with fewer than five hon. Members should be amended to only apply to parties with fewer than three hon. Members. [R] (2624)
- 305 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many (a) members of the Bangladeshi police, (b) members of the Bangladeshi Rapid Action Battalion and (c) other Bangladeshi personnel have been trained at Sandhurst in the last five years. (2525)
- 306 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 24 July 2024 to Question 162 on Defence: Expenditure, whether the future fiscal event will cover the potential impact of the Department's timetable for reaching expenditure of 2.5% of GDP on defence on the delivery of Shadow MK1 fleet. (2413)
- 307 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 24 July 2024 to Question 160 on Defence: Expenditure, whether the future fiscal event will cover the potential impact of the Department's timetable for reaching expenditure of 2.5% of GDP on defence on the development of heavy uncrewed ground systems. (2414)
- 308 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 24 July 2024 to Question 159 on Defence: Expenditure, whether the future fiscal event will cover the potential impact of the Department's timetable for reaching expenditure of 2.5% of GDP on defence on the delivery schedule for (a) Type 26 and (b) Type 31 Frigates. (2415)
- 309 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 24 July 2024 to Question 157 on Defence: Expenditure, whether the future fiscal event will cover the potential impact of the Department's timetable for reaching expenditure of 2.5% of GDP on defence on the procurement of further tranches of F-35 Lightning jets. (2416)
- 310 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 24 July 2024 to Question 154 on Defence: Expenditure, whether the future fiscal event will cover the potential impact of the Department's timetable for reaching expenditure of 2.5% of GDP on defence on the delivery of uncrewed systems for the armed forces. (2417)

- 311 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 24 July 2024 to Question 153 on Defence: Expenditure, whether the future fiscal event will cover the potential impact of the Department's timetable for reaching expenditure of 2.5% of GDP on defence on the procurement of a new multi-role support ship. (2418)
- 312 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 24 July 2024 to Question 150 on Defence: Expenditure, whether the future fiscal event will cover the potential impact of the Department's timetable for reaching expenditure of 2.5% of GDP on defence on the budget for (a) service family accommodation and (b) single living accommodation. (2419)
- 313 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 24 July 2024 to Question 149 on Defence: Expenditure, whether the future fiscal event will cover the potential impact of the Department's timetable for reaching expenditure of 2.5% of GDP on defence on the budget of the Defence Infrastructure Organisation. (2420)
- 314 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 24 July 2024 to Question 148 on Defence: Expenditure, whether the future fiscal event will cover the potential impact of the Department's timetable for reaching expenditure of 2.5% of GDP on defence on the Defence Drone Strategy. (2421)
- 315 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 24 July 2024 to Question 147 on Defence: Expenditure, whether the future fiscal event will cover the potential impact of the Department's timetable for reaching expenditure of 2.5% of GDP on defence on the UK's ability to contribute to the Joint Expeditionary Force. (2422)
- 316 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 24 July 2024 to Question 146 on Defence: Expenditure, whether the future fiscal event will cover the potential impact of the Department's timetable for reaching expenditure of 2.5% of GDP on plans for the Global Combat Air Programme's (a) un-crewed and autonomous collaborative platform elements and (b) related systems-of-systems software and digital development. (2423)
- 317 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 24 July 2024 to Question 144 on Defence: Expenditure, whether the future fiscal event will cover the potential impact of the Department's timetable for reaching expenditure of 2.5% of GDP on his Department's expenditure plans for the Global Combat Air Programme core platform. (2424)
- 318 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 24 July 2024 to Question 142 on Defence: Expenditure, whether the future fiscal event will cover the potential impact of the Department's timetable for reaching expenditure of 2.5% of GDP on his Department's research and development budget. (2425)

- 319 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 24 July 2024 to Question 140 on Defence: Expenditure, whether the future fiscal event will cover the potential impact of the Department's timetable for reaching expenditure of 2.5% of GDP on the procurement of directed energy weapons. (2426)
- 320 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 24 July 2024 to Question 139 on Defence: Expenditure, whether the future fiscal event will cover the potential impact of the Department's timetable for reaching expenditure of 2.5% of GDP on the procurement of (a) new deep fires munitions and (b) associated enablers. (2427)
- 321 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 24 July 2024 to Question 138 on Defence: Expenditure, whether the future fiscal event will cover the potential impact of the Department's timetable for reaching 2.5% GDP of expenditure on the procurement of a new mobile fires platform. (2428)
- 322 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 24 July 2024 to Question 136 on Defence: Expenditure, whether the future fiscal event will cover the potential impact of the Department's timetable for reaching 2.5% GDP of expenditure on the resources available to Defence Equipment and Support. (2429)
- 323 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 24 July 2024 to Question 135 on Defence: Expenditure, whether the future fiscal event will cover the potential impact of his Department's timetable for reaching expenditure of 2.5% of GDP on defence on economic growth. (2430)
- 324 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 24 July 2024 to Question 135 on Defence: Expenditure, whether the future fiscal event will cover the potential impact of his Department's timetable for reaching expenditure of 2.5% of GDP on defence on the (a) defence industry and (b) ability of the defence industry to achieve always-on production for (i) artillery shells, (ii) core munitions, (iii) ground-based air defence and (iv) missiles for air and naval use. (2431)
- 325 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 24 July 2024 to Question 135 on Defence: Expenditure, whether the future fiscal event will cover the potential impact of his Department's timetable for reaching expenditure of 2.5% of GDP on defence on funding for enablers relating to replenishment of the munitions stockpile. (2432)
- 326 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what (a) statutory and (b) non-statutory direct ministerial appointments excluding special advisers she has made; and (i) who the appointee was and (ii) what the (A) remuneration, (B) title and (C) terms of reference was for each appointment. (2393)

- 327 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of repealing the Town and Country Planning (Permitted Development and Miscellaneous Amendments) (England) (Coronavirus) Regulations 2020. (24468)
- 328 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment her Department has made of the potential merits of simplifying the process for creating new Combined County Authorities. (24447)
- 329 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she plans to take to help ensure landlords do not leave the rental market. (24448)
- 330 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she plans to take to help ensure Jewish communities feel safe. (24449)
- 331 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her department is taking to help reduce cases of anti-Semitism. (24450)
- 332 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she took account of net migration in setting the target for new homes in this Parliament. (24451)
- 333 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to tackle extremism. (24452)
- 334 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, which religious leaders she has met as Secretary of State. (24453)
- 335 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to tackle islamophobia. (24454)
- 336 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will publish a list of local planning authorities which (a) have and (b) do not have up to date local plans. (24455)
- 337 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to ensure local planning authorities without an up to date local plan get their plans up to date. (24456)
- 338 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what plans she has to review local planning authorities that are in special measures. (24457)

- 339 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department takes to help ensure that new homes are in keeping with existing communities. (2458)
- 340 **Siân Berry** (Brighton Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an estimate of the amount held by each (a) council and (b) other planning authority in unspent Section 106 and developer contributions towards affordable housing.. (2673)
- 341 **Siân Berry** (Brighton Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the value for money of grant spending on new council housing through the Affordable Housing Programme. (2674)
- 342 **Siân Berry** (Brighton Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the Right to Buy and associated discounts on the value for money of grant spending on new council housing through the Affordable Housing Programme. (2675)
- 343 **Siân Berry** (Brighton Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing councils with grants to buy homes from the market to convert the tenure of these homes to council housing. (2676)
- 344 **Siân Berry** (Brighton Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an estimate of the real-terms value of the total of discounts claimed under Right to Buy in each local authority in England and Wales in each year since 1989. (2677)
- 345 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to her letter of 16 July 2024 to local council leaders, whether devolution settlements are available to district councils. (2503)
- 346 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of public support for an elected Mayor in the South West peninsula. (2582)
- 347 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to ensure that funding for social rented housing goes to communities where the need is greatest. (2586)
- 348N **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a duty on local authorities to facilitate the installation of defibrillators on buildings that they own. (2592)

- 349 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of placing a duty on local authorities to provide overnight parking for motorhomes on local authority owned land. (2593)
- 350 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to page 9 of HM Treasury's document entitled Fixing the foundations: Public spending audit 2024-25, published on 29 July 2024, if she will list the (a) name and (b) value of the other small projects that her Department is cancelling. (2635)
- 351 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to bring forward legislative proposals to allow for teenagers to be elected as hon. Members. (2313)
- 352 **Helen Grant** (Maidstone and Malling): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to help support local authorities to meet social housing demand. (2286)
- 353 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what (a) statutory and (b) non-statutory direct ministerial appointments excluding special advisers he has made; and (i) who the appointee was and (ii) what the (A) remuneration, (B) title and (C) terms of reference was for each appointment. (2396)
- 354 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to ensure that brownfield land is prioritised for development through full financing on brownfield reclamation. (2340)
- 355 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to bring forward legislative proposals to implement her proposed changes to planning policy on the green belt within the National Planning Policy Framework. (2341)
- 356 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the infrastructure (a) requirements and (b) costs of her proposed housing reforms. (2342)
- 357 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to amend the Green Belt (London and Home Counties) Act 1938. (2343)
- 358 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what information her Departments holds on the leasehold-related costs for the average leaseholder in an apartment block. (2531)

- 359 **Jon Pearce** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if he will make an estimate of the number of unoccupied dwellings in (a) Derbyshire and (b) High Peak constituency. (2595)
- 360 **Jon Pearce** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an estimate of the average increase in rent for private properties in High Peak constituency in the last 12 months; and what assessment she has made of the affordability of rent increases for people on average earnings in High Peak constituency. (2596)
- 361 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will take steps to ensure the UK Shared Prosperity Fund allocations are protected from future budget cuts. (2611)
- 362 **Jessica Toale** (Bournemouth West): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what date her Department holds on a) public sector and b) private investment in Bournemouth town centre in each of the last 14 years. (2659)
- 363 **Jessica Toale** (Bournemouth West): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to tackle the health issues faced by people experiencing homelessness. (2660)
- 364 **Jessica Toale** (Bournemouth West): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to help (a) improve town centres and (b) encourage companies to invest in Bournemouth town centre. (2661)
- 365 **Melanie Ward** (Cowdenbeath and Kirkcaldy): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what discussions she has had with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on the future of the Shared Prosperity Fund. (2663)
- 366 **Sir John Whittingdale** (Maldon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how much funding her Department plans to provide Maldon District Council for culture projects. (2224)
- 367 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps she is taking to (a) increase prosecution rates for perpetrators of rural crime and (b) protect victims of those crimes. (2489)
- 368 **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many prisoners usually resident in Mid Leicestershire constituency are eligible for early release. (2686)
- 369 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what estimate she has made of the cost to the public purse of pest control at HMP Wandsworth in the last 12 months. (2348)

- 370 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what her planned timetable is for the production of the action plan for HMP Wandsworth. (2349)
- 371 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the Answer of 14 March 2024 to Question 17970 on Wandsworth Prison: Health Services, when she expects the new healthcare unit to open. (2350)
- 372 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many prisoners were released and recalled to HMP Lincoln (a) once and (b) multiple times in the last 12 months. (2231)
- 373 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many prisoners were released and recalled to HMP Peterborough (a) once and (b) multiple times in the last 12 months. (2232)
- 374 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of her policy to change the automatic release point to 40% for certain standard determinate sentences on reoffending rates. (2235)
- 375 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what (a) statutory and (b) non-statutory direct ministerial appointments excluding special advisers she has made; and (i) who the appointee was and (ii) what the (A) remuneration, (B) title and (C) terms of reference was for each appointment. (2406)
- 376 **Jessica Toale** (Bournemouth West): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many people have been prosecuted for drug-related offences in Bournemouth in each year since 2019. (2657)
- 377 **Jessica Toale** (Bournemouth West): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many people have been prosecuted for (a) sexual assault or (b) rape in Bournemouth in each year since 2019. (2658)
- 378 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what (a) statutory and (b) non-statutory direct ministerial appointments excluding special advisers he has made; and (i) who the appointee was and (ii) what the (A) remuneration, (B) title and (C) terms of reference was for each appointment. (2402)
- 379 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Prime Minister, with reference to p.10 of the document entitled Fixing the Foundations: Public Spending Audit 2024-25, published on 29 July 2024, whether the Prime Minister's Office will be expected to implement 2% administrative savings to its own annual budget sub-heading. (2625)
- 380 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Prime Minister, with reference to page 10 of the document entitled Fixing the foundations: Public spending audit 2024-25, CP 1133, published in July 2024, whether he plans to take steps to reduce communications and marketing expenditure for Downing Street. (2626)

- 381 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Prime Minister, whether he intends to appoint a Minister for Faith. (2290)
- 382 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Prime Minister, what his policy is on consumption of alcohol on the Downing Street estate. (2294)
- 383 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Prime Minister, whether he has declared The Pensions Increase (Pension Scheme for Keir Starmer QC) Regulations 2013 as an interest to the Independent Adviser on Ministerial Interests. (2300)
- 384 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Prime Minister, whether his chief of staff has a probationary period. (2303)
- 385 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Prime Minister, whether he plans to use sustainable aviation fuel for official (a) domestic and (b) overseas flights. (2304)
- 386 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Prime Minister, whether he plans to carbon offset his official (a) domestic and (b) overseas flights. (2305)
- 387 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Prime Minister, which (a) official and (b) special adviser is responsible for locating staff in the Number 10 political office within the Downing Street estate. (2309)
- 388 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Prime Minister, what the Government's policy is on the publication of its legal advice. (2310)
- 389 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Prime Minister, if he will make it his policy to appoint a Minister with specific cross-Government responsibility for British citizens living overseas. (2311)
- 390 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Prime Minister, if he will appoint a Minister with cross-government responsibility for British Citizens living overseas. (2312)
- 391 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Prime Minister, pursuant to the Answer of 22 July 2024 to Question 455 on Retirement: Public Sector, whether he plans to introduce a mandatory retirement age in the House of Lords. (2315)
- 392 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Prime Minister, what guidance is issued to Ministers on declaring political donations in the list of Ministers' Interests. (2317)
- 393 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Prime Minister, when the register of Ministers' Interests will be published. (2319)
- 394 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Prime Minister, what the Government's policy is on the use of citizens assemblies. (2320)

- 395 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Prime Minister, what (a) statutory and (b) non-statutory direct ministerial appointments excluding special advisers he has made; and (i) who the appointee was and (ii) what the (A) remuneration, (B) title and (C) terms of reference was for each appointment. (2388)
- 396 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, what (a) statutory and (b) non-statutory direct ministerial appointments excluding special advisers he has made; and (i) who the appointee was and (ii) what the (A) remuneration, (B) title and (C) terms of reference was for each appointment. (2405)
- 397 **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an estimate of the revenue to the public purse from reducing the top rate of tax relief on pension contributions to 30%. (2684)
- 398 **Siân Berry** (Brighton Pavilion): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will publish the (a) revenue and (b) capital funding provided by each government department for youth work in England and Wales in each financial year since 2010-11. (2678)
- 399 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, when the next meeting of the Fiscal Forum between representatives of the oil and gas industry and HMT officials will go ahead. (2459)
- 400 **Phil Brickell** (Bolton West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what her planned timetable is for publishing its response to the consultations on (a) reform of the UK's anti-money laundering and counter-terrorism financing supervisory system, published on 30 June 2023, (b) Improving the effectiveness of the Money Laundering Regulations, published on 11 March 2024 and (c) Senior Managers & Certification Regime, published on 30 March 2023. (2613)
- 401 **Phil Brickell** (Bolton West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps she is taking to help support the enforcement of UK sanctions. (2614)
- 402 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 22 July to Question 588 on Private Education: VAT, if she will make it her policy to extend the VAT exemption to children with (a) SEND and (b) in receipt of the Disability Living Allowance. (2498)
- 403 **Claire Coutinho** (East Surrey): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many people received the Winter Fuel Payment in each constituency in the last financial year. (2540)
- 404 **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she plans to review Section 684 activities with reference to the Loan Charge. (2347)
- 405 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment as part of her next spending review of the potential economic merits of double British Summer time. (2580)

- 406 **Ann Davies** (Caerfyrddin): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of increasing the rate of child benefit by £20 per week for each child. [Transferred] (2196)
- 407 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of (a) the junior doctors pay settlement and (b) other public sector pay rises on (i) the forecast rate of inflation and (ii) wage expectations in other sectors. (2627)
- 408 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to page 10 of HM Treasury's document entitled Fixing the foundations: Public spending audit 2024-25, published on 29 July 2024, whether her plans to cut (a) consultancy and (b) communications spending apply to (i) NHS trusts and (ii) NHS England. (2636)
- 409 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to page 15 of HM Treasury's document entitled Fixing the foundations: Public spending audit 2024-25, published on 29 July 2024, for how long the Office for Value for Money will exist; and what its remit will be. (2637)
- 410 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many days a week staff in the Office for Value for Money will be allowed to work from home; and how many staff that Office will employ. (2638)
- 411 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the policy paper entitled Fixing the Foundations: Public Spending Audit 2024-25, published on 29 July 2024, CP 1133, whether she plans to reduce consultancy spending on equality, diversity and inclusion (a) recruitment and (b) training for the civil service. (2639)
- 412 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps she is taking to ensure that people are able to access cashpoints in rural areas. (2227)
- 413 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many people will no longer be able to access winter fuel payments. (2228)
- 414 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what is the projected cost to the public purse of setting up the Office for Value for Money. (2229)
- 415 **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Stamford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what her Department's policy is on the future of commission paid to site owners following the sale of park homes. (2532)

- 416 **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of the proposed application of VAT to private school fees on families who can only access SEND provision in private schools due to deficits in local provision. (2411)
- 417 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of changing eligibility requirements for the Winter Fuel Allowance on the affordability of energy for people aged over 65 in (a) North Cornwall constituency and (b) rural off-gas grid areas. (2691)
- 418 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate she has made of the number of people in North Cornwall constituency who will be affected by her decision to change eligibility requirements for the Winter Fuel Allowance. (2692)
- 419 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will run a public consultation on changing eligibility requirements for the Winter Fuel Payment before implementing a change in policy in relation to that payment. (2693)
- 420 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, on what day and at what time the final draft for publication of her Department's document entitled Fixing the Foundations: Public spending audit 2024-25, CP 1133, was sent to HH Associates Ltd for printing. (2384)
- 421 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, on what day and time her Department's publication entitled Fixing the Foundations: Public spending audit 2024-25, CP 1133 was approved. (2385)
- 422 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, on what day and time (a) she and (b) her advisers received the first draft of her Department's publication entitled Fixing the Foundations: Public spending audit 2024-25, CP 1133. (2386)
- 423 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, on (a) what dates and (b) at what times she met with (i) the Prime Minister and (ii) his advisers to discuss drafts of her Department's document entitled Fixing the foundations: Public spending audit 2024-25, published on 29 July 2024. (2387)
- 424 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what (a) statutory and (b) non-statutory direct ministerial appointments excluding special advisers she has made; and (i) who the appointee was and (ii) what the (A) remuneration, (B) title and (C) terms of reference was for each appointment. (2399)
- 425 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what discussions she has had with private schools on the Government's proposed policy to implement VAT on private school fees. (2371)

- 426 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate she has made of the number of households that are impacted by the two child benefit cap and the ending of their Winter Fuel Allowance. (2377)
- 427 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps she is taking to support people who cannot afford their energy bills in winter 2024-25. (2378)
- 428 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what discussions she has had with elderly medical care specialists on the potential impact of stopping winter fuel payments on the health needs of the elderly. (2379)
- 429 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, which (a) road and (b) rail projects have been cancelled in North Yorkshire. (2380)
- 430 **Jon Pearce** (High Peak): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what data her Department holds on the number of people in High Peak constituency who (a) paid national insurance contributions and (b) earned below £25,000 per year in financial year 2022-23. (2605)
- 431 **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South and Walkden): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether the plans to increase dental training places by 40% by 2031-32 outlined in the NHS Long Term Workforce Plan are fully funded. (2249)
- 432 **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South and Walkden): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether the cost of training for new dental academic staff to support the expansion of dental school places in the NHS Long Term Workforce Plan is fully funded. (2250)
- 433 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will extend powers from HMRC to Trading Standards to provide on-the-spot fines for retailers selling illegal (a) tobacco and (b) vape products. (2245)
- 434 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she has made an assessment of the impact of removing the winter fuel allowance on pensioner poverty. (2246)
- 435 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of removing the winter fuel allowance on pensioner poverty. (2247)
- 436 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps she plans to take to reform the tax status of people with non-domiciled residency. (2331)
- 437 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to paragraph 25 of her Department's document entitled Fixing the Foundations: Public spending audit 2024-25, CP 1133, what the evidential basis is for saying there was an additional £1.6 billion cost to the rail system in the 2024-25 financial year. (2439)

- 438 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to Table 1 of her Department's document entitled Fixing the Foundations: Public spending audit 2024-25, CP 1133, what the evidential basis is for saying there was an additional £1.3 billion cost for rail maintenance in the 2024-25 financial year. (2440)
- 439 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to page 11 of her Department's document entitled Fixing the Foundations: Public spending audit 2024-25, CP 1133, how her Department evaluated which transport commitments were considered low value. (2441)
- 440 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, what (a) statutory and (b) non-statutory direct ministerial appointments excluding special advisers she has made; and (i) who the appointee was and (ii) what the (A) remuneration, (B) title and (C) terms of reference was for each appointment. (2390)
- 441 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of enacting the socio-economic duty in the Equality Act 2010 on levels of equality. (2288)
- 442 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, whether she plans to (a) consult on and (b) commence the socio-economic duty under the Equality Act 2010. (2316)
- 443 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what (a) statutory and (b) non-statutory direct ministerial appointments excluding special advisers she has made; and (i) who the appointee was and (ii) what the (A) remuneration, (B) title and (C) terms of reference was for each appointment. (2394)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 3 September

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether his Department takes steps to (a) monitor and (b) assess the extent to which countries participating in the Developing Countries Trading Scheme comply with their international (i) human rights, (ii) labour rights, (iii) gender rights and (iv) environmental obligations. (2520)
- 2N **Richard Foord** (Honiton and Sidmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what plans she has for delivery of the fourth wave of the School Rebuilding Programme. (2564)
- 3N **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what role Great British Energy will have in the (a) governance and (b) duties of Great British Nuclear. (2461)

- 4N **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department plans to take to help workers in the oil and gas industry transition away from the industry following the ban on new oil and gas licences. (2465)
- 5N **Mr Clive Betts** (Sheffield South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the tram train pilot between Sheffield and Rotherham, how many similar schemes (a) have been developed, (b) are under construction and (c) are being planned. (2238)
- 6N **Edward Argar** (Melton and Syston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people in Melton Borough claimed pension credit in 2023. (2345)
- 7N **Ann Davies** (Caerfyrddin): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate has she made of the number of households in Wales affected by the change to Winter Fuel Payments. (2641)
- 8 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will have discussions with his Bangladeshi counterpart on releasing information on student protests. (2514)
- 9 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his Department's policies of the (a) arrests and (b) detention of (i) student leaders and (ii) protest participants in Bangladesh. (2517)
- 10 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had recent discussions with his Bangladeshi counterpart on reports of (a) violence towards protestors, (b) unlawful killings, (c) torture, (d) the shutting down of the internet and mobile services and (e) other forms of repression in that country. (2518)
- 11N **Sir Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, under what circumstances an individual arrested for murder is (a) held in custody and (b) released on police bail. [Transferred] (2025)
- 12N **Mr Clive Betts** (Sheffield South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of preventing second home owners who become subject to a higher council tax charge from switching their home to a business and avoiding council tax altogether. (2236)
- 13N **Mr Clive Betts** (Sheffield South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of requiring local authorities in their local plans to (a) allocate sites for (i) social housing and (ii) housing for elderly persons and (b) ensure the provision of housing with high-level adaptations for people with disabilities. (2237)

- 14N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 30 July 2024 to Question 1812 on Pay: Young People, if she will make these calculations. (2542)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 4 September

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what funding her Department plans to allocate to the Devon Local Visitor Economy Partnership. (2589)
- 2N **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a registration scheme for short term lets. (2591)
- 3N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will take steps to provide funding for education on brain (a) health and (b) safeguarding in sport. (2260)
- 4N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department plans to extend contracts for Early Years Stronger Practice Hubs in (a) the Liverpool City Region and (b) across England. (2467)
- 5N **Claire Coutinho** (East Surrey): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of ending the investment allowance within the Energy Profits Levy on investment in the (a) economy and (b) energy transition. (2533)
- 6N **Claire Coutinho** (East Surrey): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what estimate he has made of the increase in quantum of energy that GB Energy will generate; and by what timeline. (2535)
- 7N **Claire Coutinho** (East Surrey): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether GB Energy will produce energy. (2536)
- 8N **Claire Coutinho** (East Surrey): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether GB Energy will operate energy infrastructure. (2537)
- 9N **Claire Coutinho** (East Surrey): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what is his expected timetable for GB Energy to cut household energy bills by £300 per year. (2538)

- 10N **Dave Doogan** (Angus and Perthshire Glens): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether wind farm developments which receive investment from GB Energy will be eligible for contracts via the Contracts for Difference scheme. (2477)
- 11N **Dave Doogan** (Angus and Perthshire Glens): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how GB Energy will interact with the (a) UK Infrastructure Bank and (b) National Wealth Fund to provide investment for renewable energy; and how renewables investments by GB Energy will differ from investments by the (a) UK Infrastructure Bank and (b) National Wealth Fund. (2479)
- 12N **Dave Doogan** (Angus and Perthshire Glens): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he will publish a response to the consultation entitled Review of electricity market arrangements (REMA): second consultation which closed on 7 May 2024. (2480)
- 13N **Dave Doogan** (Angus and Perthshire Glens): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he plans for GB Energy to have a public option retail arm. (2481)
- 14N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the Chancellor of the Exchequer's oral statement on 29 July 2024, Official Report, column 1038 on Public spending: inheritance, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of changes to the number of people who will be able to claim winter fuel payments on the ability of people in who are (a) in receipt of a State Pension and (b) not in receipt of pension credits to pay their energy bills. (2366)
- 15N **Joy Morrissey** (Beaconsfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether the Chair of Great British Energy was appointed through open competition; what his remuneration is; and whether he has registered his business interests and shareholdings. (2492)
- 16N **Dr Simon Opher** (Stroud): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 30 July 2024 to Question 1876 on Bus Services: Gloucestershire, if she will take steps to provide additional funding to South Gloucestershire Council for the maintenance of the local bus route from Wotton-under-Edge. (2566)
- 17N **Sir Desmond Swayne** (New Forest West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether she plans to enable EU citizens with pre-settled status to claim universal credit. (2225)
- 18N **Victoria Atkins** (Louth and Horncastle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the (a) total and (b) estimated yearly cost to the public purse is of the pay offer award to NHS junior doctors. (2351)
- 19N **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to reduce the waiting list for NHS dentists in Torbay. (2590)

- 20N **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of creating a visa waiver scheme for Palestinians requiring urgent medical treatment. (2558)
- 21N **Kevin Bonavia** (Stevenage): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department plans to take to help (a) younger people and (b) first time buyers onto the housing ladder. (2570)
- 22N **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to her Department's policy paper entitled Our Long-Term Plan for Towns, published on 1 October 2023, what her planned timetable is for providing targeted support to Torquay. (2588)
- 23N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 30 July 2024 to Question 1811 on Taxation, what the tax gap of (a) 2005-06 and (b) 2022-3 is adjusted for inflation in (i) 2005-06 and (ii) 2022-23 real terms. (2541)
- 24N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to paragraph 43 of her Department's policy document entitled, Fixing the foundations public spending audit 2024-2025, published on 29 July 2024, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of removing the Winter Fuel Payment from people living in areas with a high cost of living. (2367)
- 25N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to paragraph 43 of her Department's policy document entitled, Fixing the foundations public spending audit 2024-2025, published on 29 July 2024, what assessment she has made of the potential geographical impact of removing the Winter Fuel Payment from some recipients. (2368)
- 26N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many and what proportion of pensioners don't receive Pension Credit; and if she will make an estimate of the number of those pensioners living in (i) relative and (ii) absolute poverty. (2369)
- 27N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to paragraph 43 of her Department's policy document entitled, Fixing the foundations public spending audit 2024-2025, published on 29 July 2024, what discussions she held with stakeholders on the Government's policy of ending the Winter Fuel Allowance for some recipients. (2370)

Questions for Answer on Thursday 5 September

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will take steps to provide additional financial support to disabled people in receipt of the State Pension. (2700)
- 2N **Kevin Bonavia** (Stevenage): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will widen Bilateral Social Security Agreements including index-linked state pensions for UK nationals abroad with Commonwealth countries. (2571)
- 3N **Kevin Bonavia** (Stevenage): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department plans to take to help support the defence sector in the (a) East of England and (b) UK. (2572)
- 4N **Kevin Bonavia** (Stevenage): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will take steps to review the (a) efficiency and (b) reliability of postal voting for UK nationals living abroad during the General Election on 4 July 2024. (2568)
- 5N **Kevin Bonavia** (Stevenage): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to enable local authorities to bring in rent controls for people in the private rented sector. (2569)
- 6N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she has made an assessment she has made of the potential merits of extending (a) a discount on and (b) an exemption from vehicle excise duty to people receiving Attendance Allowance. [Transferred] (2121)