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Questions tabled on Friday 30 August 2024

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Questions for Answer on Monday 2 September

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she plans to fund (a) rail infrastructure and (b) fleet modernisation projects at East Midlands Railway and West Midlands Trains (i) during and (ii) following their potential transition to public ownership. (3221)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 3 September

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Solicitor General, what the cost to her Department was of ministerial severance payments in each year from 19 December 2019 to 30 May 2024; which Ministers received a severance payment in that period; and how much each Minister received. (3028)
- 2 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what plans he has to use the (a) expertise and (b) capacity of the voluntary and community sector to help (i) develop and (ii) deliver the Government's policy objectives. (3198)
- 3 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the child poverty taskforce plans to hold discussions with homelessness organisations. (3212)

- 4 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what role his Department will have in coordinating a cross-departmental approach to ending homelessness. (3214)
- 5 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will publish a list of Parliamentary Private Secretaries. (2924)
- 6 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the policy paper entitled Fixing the Foundations: Public Spending Audit 2024-25, published on 29 July 2024, CP 1133, what estimate his Department has made of the total cost of civil service salaries in the (a) 2024-25 and (b) 2025-26 financial year (i) before and (ii) after the decisions on (A) civil service pay increases and (B) the size of the civil service set out in that policy paper. (3487)
- 7 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, when he expects the National Exercising Programme's next Tier 1 exercise test to take place. (2867)
- 8 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what his Department's policy is on using the National Resilience Academy to provide training for (a) Ministers and (b) Rt. hon Members. (3669)
- 9 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what the cost to his Department was of ministerial severance payments in each year from 19 December 2019 to 30 May 2024; which Ministers received a severance payment; and how much each Minister received. (3029)
- 10 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of abolishing the requirement for identification at polling stations. (3145)
- 11 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how much the Government Communications Service spent on filming content for Ministers' social media channels in each of the last five years. (3073)
- 12 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how much his Department spent on communications in the last year for which data is available. (3080)
- 13 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether (a) the Government has a planned timetable for the removal of the right for hereditary peers to sit in the House of Lords and (b) his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of (i) ending by-elections to the House of Lords and (ii) offering life peerages to incumbent hereditary peers. (2754)
- 14 **Gareth Bacon** (Orpington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the impact of the growth and skills levy on non-levy paying companies. (3140)

- 15 **Gareth Bacon** (Orpington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the financial impact of the proposed growth and skills levy on (a) non-levy paying companies, (b) the apprenticeship budget, and (c) overall apprenticeship spending. (3141)
- 16 **Gareth Bacon** (Orpington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he has made an assessment of the economic impact of growth and skills levy proposals to allow levy-paying companies to retain 50% of their contributions. (3142)
- 17 **Gareth Bacon** (Orpington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he has had discussions with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on funding the retention of 50% of the contributions of apprenticeship levy-paying companies. (3144)
- 18 **Andrew Cooper** (Mid Cheshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to tackle the potential security threat posed by Chinese state-linked companies in the Government supply chain. (3529)
- 19 **Andrew Cooper** (Mid Cheshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether his Department is taking steps to help support the Post Office to (a) recruit postmasters and (b) maintain existing post offices. (3533)
- 20 **Tracy Gilbert** (Edinburgh North and Leith): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to tackle the potential security threat posed by Chinese state-linked companies in the Government supply chain. (3521)
- 21 **Mary Glendon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he plans to maintain a form of zero hours contracts for people who prefer this to other employment options. (2894)
- 22 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South and Mid Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what discussions he has had with regulators on ensuring that the insurance industry treats consumers equally in all regions. (3190)
- 23 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what the cost to his Department was of ministerial severance payments in each year from 19 December 2019 to 30 May 2024; which Ministers received a severance payment; and how much each Minister received. (3030)
- 24 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he plans to include in the Product Safety and Metrology Bill (a) changes to safety standards for and (b) measures to help prevent ingestion of button batteries. (2943)
- 25 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will have discussions with (a) Citizens Advice and (b) other stakeholders on the safety of battery-operated products imported from China. (2944)

- 26 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, when he expects to bring forward the Product Safety and Metrology Bill. (2945)
- 27 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what plans he has to (a) meet the Staffordshire Chamber of Commerce to discuss further cooperation and (b) visit businesses in Newcastle-under-Lyme constituency. (3453)
- 28 **Jerome Mayhew** (Broadland and Fakenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the Employment Rights Bill on (a) SMEs and (b) other employment. (3092)
- 29 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing price regulation for veterinary services. (3362)
- 30 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how much his Department spent on communications in the last year for which data is available. (3081)
- 31 **Sammy Wilson** (East Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the EU General Product Safety Regulations on the ability of GB firms to trade with customers in the EU. (2796)
- 32 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what plans her Department has to engage with civil society on the delivery of the Government's programme. (3196)
- 33 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure children from deprived backgrounds can participate in sport. (3209)
- 34 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what funding her Department provides to support the growth of grassroots rugby league. (3210)
- 35 **Andrew Cooper** (Mid Cheshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she plans to provide additional funding to UK Sport to support aspiring para athletes at the grassroots level. (3532)
- 36 **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what support her Department is providing to (a) Ironbridge Gorge Museum Trust and (b) the wider World Heritage Site in Ironbridge Gorge. (3317)
- 37 **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department plans to celebrate the 150th anniversary of Captain Matthew Webb swimming the English Channel. (3318)

- 38 **Sir Iain Duncan Smith** (Chingford and Woodford Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she plans to take to prevent gambling harms in the context of the findings of the Gambling Survey for Great Britain published on 25 July 2024. (2703)
- 39 **Sir Iain Duncan Smith** (Chingford and Woodford Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will take urgent steps to implement the reforms set out in the white paper entitled High stakes: gambling reform for the digital age, published by the previous Administration on 27 April 2023. (2704)
- 40 **Sir Iain Duncan Smith** (Chingford and Woodford Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will immediately implement a statutory levy on gambling operators to fund research, education and treatment of gambling harms. (2705)
- 41 **Sir Iain Duncan Smith** (Chingford and Woodford Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will make an assessment of the prevalence of gambling advertising in the context of the findings of the Gambling Survey of Great Britain, published on 25 July 2024. (2706)
- 42 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to ensure there is adequate provision for youth services in all regions. (3662)
- 43 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what the cost to her Department was of Ministerial severance payments during each year from 19 December 2019 to 30 May 2024; which Ministers received a severance payment; and how much each Minister received. (3031)
- 44 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she plans to charge non-UK nationals to visit free museums. (3164)
- 45 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, how many heritage railways have received grants or financial assistance from the Government since 1999; and how much each of those which have been given support has received. (3170)
- 46 **Patrick Hurley** (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, how many seaside piers there are; where those piers are located; which piers are local authority controlled; and which are privately owned. (3327)
- 47 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of the Commonwealth Games on (a) her policies and (b) grassroots sports in Newcastle-under-Lyme constituency. (3486)

- 48 **Graham Leadbitter** (Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that the Advertising Standards Authority upholds advertising standards in relation to pre-watershed online gambling adverts on (a) YouTube and (b) other websites. (3604)
- 49 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, how much her Department spent on communications in the last year for which data is available. (3084)
- 50 **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to implement the Online Safety Act 2023 to protect young people from (a) harmful content and (b) AI-deepfakes. (3232)
- 51 **Sammy Wilson** (East Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she has made representations to the International Olympic Committee on the Paris Olympics opening ceremony. (2797)
- 52 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the statutory guidance entitled Cost of school uniforms, published on 19 November 2021, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of amending that guidance to reduce the number of branded items required. (3065)
- 53 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment her Department has made of the adequacy of SEND provision in Runcorn and Helsby constituency. (3066)
- 54 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to improve the quality of specialist education in Runcorn and Helsby constituency. (3067)
- 55 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she plans to continue the school rebuilding programme for (a) Kirkby College, (b) Ashfield School, (c) Outwood Academy and (d) Nottinghamshire. (3094)
- 56 **Siân Berry** (Brighton Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many students took the (a) BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Business and (b) WJEC Level 3 Applied Diploma in Criminology in (i) Brighton and Hove and (ii) the UK in the 2023-24 academic year; and whether students will be able to enrol on these courses in the 2025-26 academic year. (3628)
- 57 **Mr Clive Betts** (Sheffield South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education what steps her Department has made to ensure that the construction sector is represented in the courses supported by the Skills and Growth Levy. (2741)
- 58 **Julia Buckley** (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will take steps to include the Chambers of Commerce in the Skills England programme. (3499)

- 59 **Julia Buckley** (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the adequacy of SEND provision in Shropshire. (3506)
- 60 **Julia Buckley** (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department plans to continue the holiday activities and food programme after 2024. (3507)
- 61 **Andrew Cooper** (Mid Cheshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if her Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing measures to support students with the cost of student loans. (3524)
- 62 **Andrew Cooper** (Mid Cheshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to support a sustainable funding model for Higher Education. (3527)
- 63 **Andrew Cooper** (Mid Cheshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure the adequacy of the level of provision of youth services. (3530)
- 64 **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what her Department's population assumption is for Telford for (a) pre school, (b) primary school, (c) secondary and (d) SEND provision in each academic year from 2020-21 to 2025-26. (3316)
- 65 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she plans to exempt the children of military families from the proposal to apply VAT to private school fees. (3666)
- 66 **Mark Ferguson** (Gateshead Central and Whickham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many apprenticeships started in Gateshead Central and Whickham constituency in each of the last five years. (3282)
- 67 **Mark Ferguson** (Gateshead Central and Whickham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the average funding per pupil was in mainstream schools in (a) Gateshead Central and Whickham constituency, (b) the North East Combined Authority Area and (c) England in each of the last five years. (3283)
- 68 **Helen Grant** (Maidstone and Malling): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will provide additional funding to councils to help SEND pupils. (2866)
- 69 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, which external stakeholders she met with ahead of revoking the second commencement regulations made under the Higher Education (Freedom of Speech) Act 2023. (2727)
- 70 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many of the planned new teachers will be delivered in Lincolnshire. (2734)

- 71 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has carried out an equality impact assessment of proposed tax changes on independent schools. (2809)
- 72 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of trends in the levels of in-service teachers opting out of the teachers' pension scheme. (2810)
- 73 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of trends in the levels of independent-sector schools (a) consulting with staff on the teachers' pension scheme, (b) leaving the teachers' pension scheme and (c) pursuing phased withdrawal from the teachers' pension scheme. (2811)
- 74 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an estimate of the proportion of schools able to fully cover the incremental costs of the recommended pay increase using the funding announced. (2812)
- 75 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many submissions her Department received to the consultation entitled Gender questioning children: draft schools and colleges guidance, open from 19 December 2023 to 12 March 2024. (2813)
- 76 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when her Department plans to publish its response to the consultation entitled Guidance for Schools and Colleges: Gender Questioning Children which closed on 12 March 2024 (2814)
- 77 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she plans to amend the budget of the Music and Dance Scheme after January 2025. (2817)
- 78 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an estimate of the number of independent schools which charge lower fees than the average annual cost of provision in the state sector. (2818)
- 79 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate she has made of the average cost to independent schools of the increase in employer contributions to the teachers' pension scheme in the academic year 2024-25. (2819)
- 80 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate she has made of the average annual cost to independent schools of proposed changes in business rates. (2820)
- 81 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many (a) pupils, (b) Key Stage 3 and 4 pupils and (c) 16-18 year-old pupils (i) were enrolled in state schools in September 2023 and (ii) are projected to be enrolled in state schools in September 2030. (2821)

- 82 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many unfilled places there are at key stages 3 and 4 in state schools in (a) City of Bristol, (b) Kingston upon Thames, (c) Richmond upon Thames, (d) Salford and (e) Surrey; and how many pupils of those ages there are in independent schools in each of those areas. (2822)
- 83 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what proportion of secondary schools are (a) at and (b) over capacity at key stages 3 and 4 in (i) City of Bristol, (ii) Kingston upon Thames, (iii) Richmond upon Thames, (iv) Salford and (v) Surrey. (2823)
- 84 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has had discussions with (a) City of Bristol, (b) Kingston upon Thames, (c) Richmond upon Thames, (d) Salford and (e) Surrey local authorities on capital funding for additional secondary school places at key stages 3 and 4. (2824)
- 85 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many unfilled places there are at state school sixth forms in (a) City of Bristol, (b) Camden, (c) Haringey, (d) Kingston upon Thames, (e) Richmond upon Thames, (f) Southwark, (g) Stockport and (h) Surrey; and how many pupils of that age there are in independent schools in each of those areas. (2825)
- 86 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what proportion of state school sixth forms are (a) at and (b) over capacity in (i) City of Bristol, (ii) Camden, (iii) Haringey, (iv) Kingston upon Thames, (v) Richmond upon Thames, (vi) Southwark, (vii) Stockport and (viii) Surrey. (2826)
- 87 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what discussions she has had with the local authorities in (a) City of Bristol, (b) Camden, (c) Haringey, (d) Kingston upon Thames, (e) Richmond upon Thames, (f) Southwark, (g) Stockport and (h) Surrey on capital funding for additional state school sixth form places above those planned before July 2024. (2827)
- 88 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answers of 2 August 2024 to Question 1652 on Pupil Numbers and Question 1653 on Further Education: Students, if she will bring forward publication of data on the (a) available capacity in (i) state secondary schools and (ii) school sixth forms and (b) numbers of pupils in independent-sector schools at equivalent ages by parliamentary constituency using current boundaries. (2828)
- 89 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the VAT treatment for SEND therapies provided to independent school pupils will be after 1 January 2025 where (a) the therapy is provided by the school and (b) the therapy is provided by an external provider. (2829)

- 90 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of the proposed application of VAT to private school fees on state secondary planning areas. (2830)
- 91 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what communications she plans to issue to smaller independent schools on the proposed application of VAT to private school fees. (2834)
- 92 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the cost to her Department was of Ministerial severance payments during each year from 19 December 2019 to 30 May 2024; which Ministers received a severance payment; and how much each Minister received. (3032)
- 93 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she plans to visit (a) Newcastle-under-Lyme and (b) Keele University. (3463)
- 94 **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 31 July 2024 to Question 1512 on Special Educational Needs, how her Department monitors whether the Safety Valve programme leads to improvements in SEND service. (2948)
- 95 **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 31 July 2024 to Question 1512 on Special Educational Needs, how her Department monitors whether local authorities are meeting their obligations to fulfil statutory duties to children and young people with SEND. (2949)
- 96 **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 31 July 2024 to Question 1512 on Special Educational Needs, if her Department will publish a list of local authorities that have breached obligations to fulfil statutory duties to children and young people with SEND. (2950)
- 97 **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 31 July 2024 to Question 1512 on Special Educational Needs, when her Department last undertook a review of the Safety Valve agreement with Norfolk County Council; and if she will publish the conclusions of the most recent review. (2951)
- 98 **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of levels of pay in further education institutions on recruitment and retention. (2953)
- 99 **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to ensure increased funding for (a) SEN schools and (b) increasing existing SEN support in mainstream schools. (2928)

- 100 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 26 July 2024 to Question 627 on Free School Meals, if she will make it her policy to commission an assessment of the potential merits of broadening the eligibility criteria for children to receive free school meals. (3647)
- 101 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department plans to introduce Natural History GCSE in September 2025. (3413)
- 102 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of including education on identifying misinformation online in the school curriculum. (3427)
- 103 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when her Department plans to update statutory guidance on the cost of school uniforms. (3429)
- 104 **Anneliese Midgley** (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many apprenticeships have started in Knowsley constituency in each of the last 10 years. (3292)
- 105 **Anneliese Midgley** (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many Sure Start centres in Knowsley constituency have closed since May 2010; and what the (a) name and (b) postcode was of each centre. (3295)
- 106 **Anneliese Midgley** (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many and what proportion of children have an education and health care plan in Knowsley constituency. (3301)
- 107 **Anneliese Midgley** (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many and what proportion of children in Knowsley constituency who have an education health care plan are attending the school named in that plan. (3302)
- 108 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much her Department spent on communications in the last year for which data is available. (3076)
- 109 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of SEND provision in Warwickshire; and whether she plans to take steps with Warwickshire County Council to help improve the (a) funding and (b) delivery of SEND services. (3395)
- 110 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to improve the (a) recruitment and (b) retention of teachers in Stratford-on-Avon constituency. (3401)

- 111 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make a comparative assessment of the adequacy of funding per pupil in (a) Stratford-on-Avon constituency, (b) Warwickshire and (c) nationally. (3402)
- 112 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to help improve school transport for children living in rural areas in Stratford-on-Avon constituency. (3403)
- 113 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to improve SEND provision in Stratford-on-Avon constituency. (3405)
- 114 **Mark Pritchard** (The Wrekin): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will publish an action plan to reduce deaths of minors from drowning. (2782)
- 115 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she plans to fund the rebuild of Wetherby High School. (2837)
- 116 **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will take steps to ensure that local authorities have (a) fair and (b) timely procedures for processing EHCPs. (3659)
- 117 **Adam Thompson** (Erewash): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many private schools closed in each (a) parliamentary constituency and (b) upper tier local authority in England between 11 May 2010 and 5 July 2024. (3324)
- 118 **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the potential financial impact on state schools of the introduction of VAT on private school fees. (3539)
- 119 **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of the proposed application of VAT on private school fees on families who are unable to access appropriate SEND support in state schools. (3540)
- 120 **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking in schools to (a) tackle misogyny and (b) ensure girls' safety. (3231)
- 121 **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the potential implications for her policies of trends in the retention of teachers in further education colleges. (3237)
- 122 **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of funding for the further education sector. (3238)

- 123 **James Wild** (North West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she plans to expand childcare to 30 hours per week for all eligible families with children aged between nine months and three years from September 2025. (3130)
- 124 **James Wild** (North West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many parents have applied for government-funded childcare codes for September 2024; and how many codes have been validated by childcare providers. (3131)
- 125 **James Wild** (North West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many additional places will be required in September 2024 for the expanded childcare offer. (3132)
- 126 **James Wild** (North West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many additional staff will be required in September 2024 for the expanded childcare offer. (3133)
- 127 **James Wild** (North West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many places will be required in September 2024 for the expanded childcare offer. (3134)
- 128 **James Wild** (North West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many staff will be required in September 2024 for the expanded childcare offer. (3135)
- 129 **James Wild** (North West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many childcare places the 3,000 additional school-based nursery classrooms will provide. (3136)
- 130 **James Wild** (North West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the (a) allocated budget and (b) amount already spent is for advertising the expanded childcare offer for children aged nine months and above. (3137)
- 131 **James Wild** (North West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the (a) allocated budget and (b) amount spent was for advertising the expanded childcare offer for children aged two before April 2024. (3138)
- 132 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a windfall tax for energy companies to help support consumers with the cost of energy bills. (3216)
- 133 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made with the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions of the potential impact of energy price rises on levels of child poverty. (3217)
- 134 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if his Department will take steps to help households with the cost of energy during Winter 2024-25. (3218)
- 135 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what discussions he has had with Sheffield University's Nuclear Advanced Manufacturing Research Centre on potential redundancies. (3676)

- 136 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what his planned timetable is for responding to the Alternative routes to market for new nuclear projects consultation, which closed on 12 April 2024. (3020)
- 137 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what his planned timetable is for responding to the Approach to siting new nuclear power stations beyond 2025 consultation, which closed on 10 March 2024. (3021)
- 138 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what progress his Department has made on the Pre-Tender Market Engagement for nuclear development at Wylfa. (3022)
- 139 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what the cost differential per kilowatt is for nuclear development for large scale gigawatt projects and small modular reactors. (3023)
- 140 **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 gigawatt scale selections in Europe on the UK's commitment to tripling nuclear globally by 2050. (3024)
- 141 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, when he will make a final investment decision on Sizewell C. (3025)
- 142 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of Ofgem's decision to increase the energy price cap from October 2024. (3061)
- 143 **Andrew Cooper** (Mid Cheshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an estimate of the number of pensioners who will be in fuel poverty in winter 2024-25. (3528)
- 144 **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, which schemes the UK Infrastructure Bank has (a) accepted and (b) declined, by local authority area; and how much and what proportion of infrastructure finance available to the bank remained as of 4 July 2024. (3321)
- 145 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the Competition and Markets Authority's paper entitled Road fuel review, published on 12 October 2022, if he will make it his policy to introduce a statutory (a) open data fuel finder scheme and (b) monitoring function to help scrutinise the petrol industry. (3124)

- 146 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what data his Department holds on the number of smart meters installed that are reported as faulty, by constituency. (2791)
- 147 **Stephen Flynn** (Aberdeen South): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will meet with energy (a) companies and (b) workers in Aberdeen who will be affected by an (i) increase and (ii) extension of the windfall tax on oil and gas. (3088)
- 148 **Mark Garnier** (Wyre Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what estimate he has made of the investment of (a) oil and (b) gas companies have made in clean energy in the last 10 years. (2874)
- 149 **Mark Garnier** (Wyre Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what estimate he has made of the potential impact of the ban on new oil and gas licences on taxation revenues to (a) 2030, (b) 2035, (c) 2040, (d) 2045 and (e) 2050. (2875)
- 150 **Mark Garnier** (Wyre Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he plans to introduce the Clean Heat Market Mechanism. (2878)
- 151 **Mark Garnier** (Wyre Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will take steps with cabinet colleagues to require the Bank of England to (a) take account of climate change in its mandates and (b) publish a timetable for doing this. (2879)
- 152 **Mark Garnier** (Wyre Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, when his Department plans to publish an updated (a) membership list and (b) terms of reference for the Solar Taskforce. (2882)
- 153 **Tracy Gilbert** (Edinburgh North and Leith): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an estimate of the number of pensioners who will be in fuel poverty in winter 2024-25. (3520)
- 154 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what the cost to his Department was of Ministerial severance payments during each year from 19 December 2019 to 30 May 2024; which Ministers received a severance payment; and how much each Minister received. (3033)
- 155 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, pursuant to the Answer of 26 July 2024 to Question 1981 on Electricity: Infrastructure, whether his Department has had such discussions in the period since the publication of the most recent quarterly list of meetings. (3168)
- 156 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, pursuant to the Answer of 1 August 2024 to Question 1982 on Coal: Imports and Production, if he will make an estimate of the amount of coal the UK heritage rail requires on an annual basis. (3169)

- 157 **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of requiring (a) financial institutions and (b) other FTSE 100 companies to include information on their employees' commuting emissions within planned publications on carbon footprints. (2958)
- 158 **Josh MacAlister** (Whitehaven and Workington): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an assessment of (a) government and (b) industry data on household (i) income and (ii) energy needs to develop a targeted support mechanism for energy bills (A) for low-income households and (B) generally. (3288)
- 159 **Josh MacAlister** (Whitehaven and Workington): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, when he plans to provide further details on the (a) implementation and (b) scope of the Warm Homes Plan. (3289)
- 160 **Josh MacAlister** (Whitehaven and Workington): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps he is taking to ensure the Warm Homes Plan integrates with existing energy efficiency schemes. (3290)
- 161 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of reprioritising the grid connection queue to favour viable projects with planning consent over (a) stalled and (b) speculative projects that have booked grid capacity. (3423)
- 162 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether his Department is taking steps to encourage flexibility in grid connection rules to allow operators to co-locate (a) wind, (b) solar, (c) battery and (d) other technologies through single points of connection. (3424)
- 163 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of changing grid connection rules restricting operators from directly supplying households unless they acquire the same supply licence as large scale utility companies. (3425)
- 164 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what his planned timeline is for rolling out his Department's Warm Homes Plan. (3437)
- 165 **John McDonnell** (Hayes and Harlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what estimate he has made of the potential impact of changes to the winter fuel payment on the number of people living in fuel poverty. (2713)
- 166 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what plans he has to help reduce household energy bills, and when those plans will come into effect. (2885)

- 167 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what types of jobs Great British Energy will create³; and where those jobs will be (a) in the North west and (b) nationally. (2886)
- 168 **Anneliese Midgley** (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an estimate of the number and proportion of households that spent more than 10 per cent of their household income on energy bills in Knowsley constituency in each of the last 10 years. (3299)
- 169 **Joy Morrissey** (Beaconsfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether new unabated gas power stations will be required to maintain energy security. (3099)
- 170 **Joy Morrissey** (Beaconsfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether (a) he and (b) Ministers in his Department have met with the owners of the Grangemouth oil refinery. (3100)
- 171 **Joy Morrissey** (Beaconsfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he plans to extend the lifetime of existing unabated gas power stations. (3101)
- 172 **Joy Morrissey** (Beaconsfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will commission the ESO to make an estimate of the additional number of kilometres of transmission network that will be added to the electricity grid. (3102)
- 173 **Joy Morrissey** (Beaconsfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to his Department's press release entitled Chris Stark to lead Mission Control to deliver clean power by 2030, published on 9 July 2024, what resources his Department has allocated to Mission Control for (a) administration, (b) personnel and (c) communications. (3103)
- 174 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how much his Department spent on communications in the last year for which data is available. (3085)
- 175 **Mark Pritchard** (The Wrekin): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will commission research into reducing consumer energy prices through locational energy consumption. (2786)
- 176 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of heat batteries on decarbonising homes. (2768)
- 177 **Dr Jeevun Sandher** (Loughborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps he is taking to support (a) clean hydrogen generation, (b) the use of hydrogen in (i) heavy industry and (ii) transportation and (c) the (A) skills and (B) infrastructure required for the hydrogen economy. [R] (3578)

- 178 **Dr Jeevun Sandher** (Loughborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how investors in hydrogen projects in Loughborough constituency can request funding from (a) the National Wealth Fund and (b) GB Energy. [R] (3579)
- 179 **Graham Stuart** (Beverley and Holderness): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, which onshore wind farms in the UK have a decommissioning bond as part of their planning consent agreement. (2774)
- 180 **Graham Stuart** (Beverley and Holderness): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what percentage of existing onshore wind farms in England have a decommissioning bond as part of their planning consent agreement. (2775)
- 181 **Martin Vickers** (Brigg and Immingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an estimate of the cost to the public purse of meeting the 6GW green hydrogen production target by using local electrolysis; and if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of using (a) green hydrogen production from ammonia and (b) other technologies to meet this target. (2806)
- 182 **Martin Vickers** (Brigg and Immingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of increasing imports of renewable energy. (2808)
- 183 **Sir Jeremy Wright** (Kenilworth and Southam): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether the Local Power Plan will contain measures to enable community energy schemes to sell electricity that they generate directly to local customers. (2779)
- 184 **Alex Burghart** (Brentwood and Ongar): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 1 August 2024 to Question 1969 on Poultry: Import Controls, what steps British businesses wishing to import French duck meat should take to certify that it comes from unvaccinated flocks. (3050)
- 185 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answers of 12 August 2024 to Questions 1263 and 1675, what the most recent advice is that his Department has received from expert advisers on ending licenses for badger culling that have already been issued. (2904)
- 186 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 26 July 2024 to Question 957 on Animal Welfare, what his planned timetable is for banning the use of snare traps. (2907)
- 187 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the report by R.E. Green, M.A. Taggart and D.J. Pain et al. entitled Outcomes from monitoring the fourth year of a five-year voluntary transition from hunting with lead to non-lead shotgun ammunition in Britain, Conservation Evidence

Journal (2024) 21, if he will make an assessment of the implications for his policies of the findings in that report on the proportion of game birds that were shot with lead in 2023; and whether he plans to take steps to ban the use of lead shot in hunting. (3566)

- 188 **Andrew Cooper** (Mid Cheshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when he plans to bring forward legislative proposals on extended producer responsibility. (3531)
- 189 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will take steps to develop a national fishing strategy. (3330)
- 190 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he plans to take to promote British seafood (a) domestically and (b) abroad. (3331)
- 191 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department plans to provide grant funding to support the modernisation of the fishing industry. (3332)
- 192 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will take steps to introduce incentives to replace older fishing vessels with fuel-efficient alternatives. (3333)
- 193 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will take steps to provide grant funding for the refurbishment of (a) fishing ports and (b) processing infrastructure. (3334)
- 194 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of (a) providing additional Government funding and (b) co-funding with fishing groups to help improve the development of fisheries management plans. (3335)
- 195 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to protect fishing grounds in the context of the increase in (a) offshore wind energy developments and (b) protected areas. (3336)
- 196 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will hold discussions with the Secretary of State for the Home Department on the potential merits of amending visa rules for fishing crew to provide additional (a) employment and (b) welfare rights. (3337)
- 197 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department is taking steps to help increase the population of wild beavers. (3338)

- 198 **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps the Environment Agency is taking to help prevent flooding in Ironbridge Gorge; and what investment his Department is providing to protect (a) businesses and (b) properties from flooding in that area. (3315)
- 199 **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when he will confirm agricultural funding for Scotland beyond March 2025. (3590)
- 200 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when he plans to bring forward legislative proposals to end trail hunting. (3663)
- 201 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to help support farmers with reduced subsidy income to transition into diversification schemes. (2792)
- 202 **Richard Fuller** (North Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the (a) efficacy and (b) adequacy of the Over Thirty Months Scheme for cattle. (2798)
- 203 **Sarah Gibson** (Chippenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will take steps to ensure that water companies reduce water bills; and what steps he is taking to ensure that water companies do not pass the costs of (a) any fines incurred, (b) debts and (c) infrastructure upgrades on to customers. (3559)
- 204 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will hold discussions with the Exmoor National Park Authority on change of use for rural pubs in Tiverton and Minehead constituency. (3567)
- 205 **Helen Grant** (Maidstone and Malling): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to help facilitate re-wilding in England. (2862)
- 206 **Helen Grant** (Maidstone and Malling): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he plans to take to help ensure habitat (a) creation and (b) enhancement through biodiversity net gain. (2864)
- 207 **Helen Grant** (Maidstone and Malling): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to support the delivery of the local nature recovery strategies. (2865)
- 208 **Claire Hazelgrove** (Filton and Bradley Stoke): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the increase in animal cruelty incidents in the South West in the last 12 months; and what steps his Department is taking to help tackle this increase. (3612)

- 209 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what the cost to his Department was of ministerial severance payments in each year from 19 December 2019 to 30 May 2024; which Ministers received a severance payment; and how much each Minister received. (3034)
- 210 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing mandatory labelling for genetically modified food. (3176)
- 211 **Adam Joglee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will take steps to phase out per-and-polyfluorinated alkyl substances (PFAS); and whether he plans to align with EU regulation standards on PFAS. (3449)
- 212 **Adam Joglee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what data his Department holds on the number of fines issued to landfill site operators by the Environment Agency for a breach of permit conditions in each of the last ten years. (3457)
- 213 **Adam Joglee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of local authorities ring fencing fly-tipping fines to pay for environmental recovery. (3473)
- 214 **Adam Joglee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing legislation to extend livestock worrying offences to include roads and paths. (3474)
- 215 **Adam Joglee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of his Department's Environmental Land Management Schemes. (3475)
- 216 **Adam Joglee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when he last met the leadership of the Rural Payments Agency. (3476)
- 217 **Adam Joglee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the Environment Act 2021; and whether he plans to amend it. (3477)
- 218 **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department plans to take to monitor Ofwat's (a) monitoring and (b) enforcement of the ring-fencing of funds for vital infrastructure. (2946)
- 219 **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how the new customer panels to hold water companies to account will be selected; and what powers these panels will have. (2947)

- 220 **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will publish a timeline to bring forward legislative measures to end trail hunting. (2956)
- 221 **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to support local anti-littering initiatives. (2933)
- 222 **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will take steps to promote stray animal (a) trap-neuter-return, (b) rescue and (c) adoption initiatives. (2934)
- 223 **James MacCleary** (Lewes): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when he plans to take steps to ban the use of snares to trap animals. (3583)
- 224 **James MacCleary** (Lewes): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department plans to introduce a ban on the import of foie gras. (3584)
- 225 **James MacCleary** (Lewes): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department plans to introduce a ban on the import of animal fur. (3585)
- 226 **James MacCleary** (Lewes): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department plans to ban the practice of fox trail hunting. (3586)
- 227 **James MacCleary** (Lewes): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department plans to take steps to reduce the amount of per- and polyflouroalkyl substances (PFAS) in drinking water. (3588)
- 228 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make it his Department's policy that deliberate cruelty against companion animals is a standing item on the agenda of the Animal Welfare Committee. (3428)
- 229 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if his Department will make an assessment of the impact of fireworks on (a) domestic and (b) wild animals. (3430)
- 230 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an estimate of the number of sewage discharges into waterways there have been in Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard constituency in the last 12 months. (3436)
- 231 **John McDonnell** (Hayes and Harlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to tackle the smuggling of (a) horses, (b) ponies and (c) donkeys. (2709)

- 232 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the potential risk of titanium dioxide in (a) food and (b) cosmetics. (2887)
- 233 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to reintroduce red squirrels in parts of England. (3148)
- 234 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with his counterparts in the devolved administrations on a timetable for introducing activity regulations under the Animals (Low-Welfare Activities Abroad) Act 2023. (2722)
- 235 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how much his Department spent on communications in the last year for which data is available. (3086)
- 236 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of Ofwat in regulating water companies. (3398)
- 237 **Mark Pritchard** (The Wrekin): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to protect (a) the food supply chain, (b) livestock and (c) public health from the Asian longhorned tick. (2784)
- 238 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will publish a timetable for consulting on the activities that should fall within the activity regulations under the Animals (Low-Welfare Activities Abroad) Act 2023. (2749)
- 239 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make it his policy to consult international zoological accreditation and certification bodies on future regulations under the Animals (Low-Welfare Activities Abroad) Act 2023. (2750)
- 240 **Dr Jeevun Sandher** (Loughborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps the Flood Resilience Task Force is taking to help protect communities in Loughborough constituency from flood damage. (3580)
- 241 **Vikki Slade** (Mid Dorset and North Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of (a) making wildlife crimes notifiable and (b) including them in national crime statistics. (3633)
- 242 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to prevent the illegal smuggling of dogs into the UK. (3356)

- 243 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of resources allocated to enforcement agencies responsible for checking pets entering the UK. (3357)
- 244 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate he has made of the number of puppies illegally smuggled into the UK for sale in the last five years. (3358)
- 245 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds Central and Headingley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department plans to introduce air quality targets within train stations. (3063)
- 246 **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to help prevent the sale of illegal dog breeds on (a) Freeads, (b) Gumtree and (c) other advertisement websites. (3657)
- 247 **Julia Buckley** (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he plans to update the National AI Strategy. (3494)
- 248 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps his Department is taking to tackle online (a) disinformation and (b) misinformation. (3059)
- 249 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps he is taking to help improve mobile phone coverage in (a) Hinckley and Bosworth constituency and (b) Leicestershire. (3122)
- 250 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what the cost to his Department was of ministerial severance payments in each year from 19 December 2019 to 30 May 2024; which Ministers received a severance payment; and how much each Minister received. (3035)
- 251 **Patrick Hurley** (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps he is taking to help ensure that (a) Openreach and (b) other broadband providers use existing underground infrastructure wherever possible when installing new broadband provision. (3326)
- 252 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what the total (a) cost of running, (b) number of staff employed and (c) number of people monitored by the National Security Online Information Team was in each year since 2020; and what the reasons for monitoring those people were in each year since 2020. (3443)
- 253 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he has had discussions with the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs on the potential link between (a) animal abuse and (b) social media. (3435)

- 254 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions he has had with Ofcom on tackling child sexual abuse via the Online Safety Act 2023. (2720)
- 255 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, how much his Department spent on communications in the last year for which data is available. (3082)
- 256 **Mark Pritchard** (The Wrekin): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if he will bring forward legislative proposals to introduce fines for social media companies for failure to remove online material which incites violence. (2780)
- 257 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps his Department is taking to support artificial intelligence projects. (2765)
- 258 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps is she taking to ensure the health and safety of (a) pedestrians and (b) motorists due to the increasing use of e-bikes. (3093)
- 259 **Tonia Antoniazzi** (Gower): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she plans to extend the Great Western Main Line upgrade to include electrification to Swansea. (3056)
- 260 **Julia Buckley** (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department has made a recent assessment of the potential merits of making lifetime Blue Badge awards to people with lifelong conditions. (3491)
- 261 **Julia Buckley** (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she plans to reintroduce a statutory Private Parking Code of Practice. (3493)
- 262 **Julia Buckley** (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent discussions her Department has had with local authorities on reducing processing times for blue badge applications. (3498)
- 263 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions she has had with local authorities on the use of noise cameras on roads. (2920)
- 264 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of noise cameras on road noise levels. (2921)
- 265 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she is taking steps to (a) ensure that all rail stations are made accessible for all and (b) implement step-free access to both platforms at Ledbury station. (3565)

- 266 **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment her Department has made of the economic benefit of introducing a direct train from Telford to London. (3306)
- 267 **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment her Department has made on the economic benefit of linking the M54 and M6 north. (3307)
- 268 **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment her Department has made of the economic benefit of electrifying the train track from Telford to (a) Wolverhampton and (b) Shrewsbury. (3308)
- 269 **Jim Dickson** (Dartford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will take steps to restore the collapsed section of the A226 Galley Hill Road, Greenhithe. (3673)
- 270 **Mr Lee Dillon** (Newbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to help (a) reduce waiting times for driving tests and (b) ensure people can take their driving test locally. (3623)
- 271 **Mr Lee Dillon** (Newbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department is taking steps to stop automated systems from booking out driving test slots for financial gain. (3624)
- 272 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of bringing railway contracts into public ownership on outstanding multi year projects to (a) update fleets, (b) improve timetables, and (c) support infrastructure improvements. (3125)
- 273 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of bringing railway contracts into public ownership in order of operational performance. (3126)
- 274 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent assessment she has made of the levels of overcrowding on Great Western Railway trains from Tiverton Parkway; and whether she plans to take steps to reduce overcrowding on those trains. (3569)
- 275 **Helen Grant** (Maidstone and Malling): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she plans to take steps to improve traffic management on the M20. (2860)
- 276 **Helen Grant** (Maidstone and Malling): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will take steps to give local authorities more power to prevent 'emergency works by (a) utility companies and (b) Highways England. (2863)
- 277 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she has met Ministers in the Welsh Government to discuss the impact of 20mph zones in Wales. (2735)

- 278 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the cost to her Department was of ministerial severance payments in each year from 19 December 2019 to 30 May 2024; which Ministers received a severance payment; and how much each Minister received. (3036)
- 279 **Josh MacAlister** (Whitehaven and Workington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the cost was of the insurance provided by her Department for members of HM Coastguard in 2023; and how many people that insurance covered. [R] (3291)
- 280 **Angus MacDonald** (Inverness, Skye and West Ross-shire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent assessment she has made of the ability of UK airports to meet the new departmental deadlines to install next-generation security scanners. (3667)
- 281 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she has made a recent assessment of the adequacy of accessibility for passengers with reduced mobility at Bodmin Parkway railway station. (3646)
- 282 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to help reduce waiting times for practical driving tests at (a) Launceston and (b) Bodmin driving test centres. (3648)
- 283 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will have discussions with the Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency on steps it can take to help reduce the number of short notice cancellations of practical driving test appointments at (a) Launceston and (b) Bodmin driving test centres. (3649)
- 284 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the average waiting time for a practical driving test appointment at test centres in North Cornwall constituency was in the latest period for which data is available; and if she will make an estimate of the number of people who are waiting to take a test in that constituency. (3650)
- 285 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the (a) average waiting time and (b) longest waiting time for driving tests in Cornwall was in each of the last ten years. (3651)
- 286 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing compensation for loss of (a) income, (b) independence and (c) educational opportunities as a result of delayed or cancelled practical driving test appointments in (i) North Cornwall constituency and (ii) rural areas. (3652)
- 287 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the Office for Zero Emission Vehicles' report entitled Consultation outcome: driving licence flexibility for alternatively-fuelled vehicles, published on 10

October 2023, whether her Department (a) will remove the five-hour training requirement for drivers of electric vans weighing up to 4.25 tonnes and (b) implement the other reforms in that report. (3415)

288 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if her Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of pedal monitoring cameras on all new (a) buses, (b) trams, (c) coaches and (d) other forms of public transport. (3416)

289 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if her Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of options to provide relief for the trunk A5 road through Hockliffe Village during the next road investment period. (3419)

290 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 26 July 2024 to Question 721 on Bus Services: Concessions, what her Department's funding contribution was to Arriva The Shires Ltd under the £2 National Bus Fare Cap scheme? (3420)

291 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 26 July 2024 to Question 721 on Bus Services: Concessions, what the average cost per passenger journey to the public purse of the £2 National Bus Fare Cap scheme was in each county in England since 1 January 2023. (3421)

292 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment her Department has made of the impact of the Bus Service Improvement Plan on bus patronage. (3438)

293 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she plans to take steps to ensure enforcement of environmental laws for sea vessels in (a) UK territorial waters and (b) the Exclusive Economic Zone in the context of reports of Russian shadow oil fleets and the standards of ships involved. (3364)

294 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will bring forward legislative proposals to require train operating companies to accept cash payments for onboard catering purchases. (3158)

295 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department plans to provide funding for step-free access at (a) Brinnington Station and (b) Heaton Chapel Station. (3159)

296 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department plans to refurbish Stockport railway station. (3160)

297 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will publish her Department's detailed plans for the extension of HS2 to Euston. (3222)

- 298 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when she plans to set specific performance targets for the nationalisation of the railways. (3223)
- 299 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she plans to take to support open access operators. (3224)
- 300 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how timetable adjustments will be managed (a) during and (b) after the transition of operations into public ownership. (3225)
- 301 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of public ownership of the railways on Government debt in the (a) short and (b) medium term. (3226)
- 302 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she plans to take to tackle (a) variances in employment terms and conditions and (b) the introduction of technological innovations in the rail sector. (3227)
- 303 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether civil service pay remit guidance applies to National Highways workers. (3149)
- 304 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will hold discussions with the Office of Road and Rail on the potential merits of setting up a new Heritage Rail Safety and Standards Board. (2721)
- 305 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much her Department spent on communications in the last year for which data is available. (3083)
- 306 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make it her policy to increase the number of test centres serving Stratford-on-Avon constituency. (3392)
- 307 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she plans to take to help improve the accessibility of (a) bus provision and (b) other public transport in rural areas. (3393)
- 308 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she has had discussions with her Swiss counterpart on the potential merits of direct rail connections between London and Basel. (2756)
- 309 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent discussions her Department has had with Transport for London on staff shortages. (2766)
- 310 **Sam Rushworth** (Bishop Auckland): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when the decision was taken not to grant Restore Your Railway funding to the Weardale Line; and for what reason that decision was taken. (3389)

- 311 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the Office for Rail & Road's annual UK rail industry assessment published on 19th July, what steps her Department is taking to ensure Network Rail delivers its performance improvement plan for Wales and the Western region by 31 August. (2838)
- 312 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what information she holds on the number of train journeys that were cancelled across the rail network as a direct result of crew shortage on 14 July. (2839)
- 313 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions she has had with train operators on disruption to (a) services and (b) timetables following the worldwide IT outage on 19 July 2024. (2840)
- 314 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she plans that the Pay As You Go train ticketing pilots for (a) Greater Manchester and (b) West Midlands will begin in 2025. (2841)
- 315 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether the Better Buses Bill will regulate the prices paid by (a) mayoral, (b) combined and (c) local authorities to purchase bus (i) fleets and (ii) depots from private operators. (2842)
- 316 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to help West Yorkshire Combined Authority reopen Bradford Interchange's bus station. (2843)
- 317 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when the temporary pause in constructing the White Rose railway station in Leeds will end. (2844)
- 318 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking with the West Yorkshire Combined Authority to help protect bus (a) stock, (b) drivers and (c) passengers following the arson attack on a bus in Harehills on 18th July 2024. (2845)
- 319 **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of parked cars causing blockages outside bus stations on delays on regional bus networks. (2846)
- 320 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to tackle delays arising from block booking of driving tests; and if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of ensuring that such tests can only be booked (a) by and (b) on behalf of an individual. (3359)
- 321 **Greg Smith** (Mid Buckinghamshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she plans to review the safety of (a) all-lane running and (b) smart motorways. (3111)

- 322 **Greg Smith** (Mid Buckinghamshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department intends to fund independent research into safety concerns around headlight glare. (3112)
- 323 **Greg Smith** (Mid Buckinghamshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department plans to spend £8.3 billion on local roads. (3113)
- 324 **Greg Smith** (Mid Buckinghamshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to mitigate the impact of population density on the allocation of road safety funding. (3114)
- 325 **Greg Smith** (Mid Buckinghamshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to improve the (a) frequency and (b) quality of bus services. (3115)
- 326 **Jess Asato** (Lowestoft): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate she has made of the number of pensioners living in (a) relative and (b) absolute poverty who are not in receipt of Pension Credit; and what assessment she has made of the number of additional pensioners who will be living in (a) relative and (b) absolute poverty if their Winter Fuel Payments are halted. (3440)
- 327 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what discussions she has had with the (a) Chancellor of the Exchequer and (b) Local Government Association on future funding for the Household Support Fund. (3206)
- 328 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): 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 Winter Fuel Payment on households where grandparents are the primary care givers to their grandchildren. (3207)
- 329 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether the child poverty task force will consider the number of homeless children residing in temporary accommodation. (3213)
- 330 **Rachel Blake** (Cities of London and Westminster): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what progress her Department has made on the managed migration of disabled people from the Employment Support Allowance support group onto Universal Credit. (3573)
- 331 **Rachel Blake** (Cities of London and Westminster): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to ensure there is a seamless continuation of payments for disabled people (a) about to start and (b) mid-way through migrating from legacy benefits to Universal Credit. (3574)
- 332 **Rachel Blake** (Cities of London and Westminster): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to ensure continuity of payments for disabled people who are (a) about to start and (b) mid-way through migrating from legacy benefits to Universal Credit. (3577)

- 333 **Julia Buckley** (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to ensure gender equality in the work of the Child Maintenance Service. (3500)
- 334 **Julia Buckley** (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the total value of child maintenance arrears was on 30 August 2024. (3501)
- 335 **Julia Buckley** (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the effectiveness of the Child Maintenance Service in collecting arrears payments. (3502)
- 336 **Julia Buckley** (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to help tackle unpaid child maintenance. (3503)
- 337 **Julia Buckley** (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to reduce call waiting times to the Child Maintenance Service; and if she will make an assessment of the adequacy of call handling times by that service. (3504)
- 338 **Julia Buckley** (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many liability orders have been pursued by the Child Maintenance Service since 1 August 2023. (3505)
- 339 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 25 July 2024 to Question 971 on Household Support Fund what criteria she is using for her review of that Fund; and when she plans to complete that review and (b) announce whether that Fund will continue beyond 30 September 2024. (3562)
- 340 **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether she has made an estimate of the potential savings generated by selling Jobcentre buildings and co-locating with other public bodies. [R] (3313)
- 341 **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will take steps to share data for free with local councils on (a) Universal Credit, (b) unemployment benefits, (c) young people who are out of work and (d) benefit fraud. [R] (3314)
- 342 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what plans her Department has to extend the household support fund after 30 September 2024. (3661)
- 343 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether she plans to continue (a) funding and (b) support for Local Skills Improvement Plans. (3665)
- 344 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to encourage pension credit take up in (a) Leicestershire and (b) the East Midlands. (3118)

- 345 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will take steps to ensure that the pension credit application process is (a) streamlined and (b) user friendly to complete. (3119)
- 346 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the impact of her Department's Service Modernisation Programme in (a) encouraging more people to apply for pension credit and (b) improving the customer service experience when applying for pension credit. (3121)
- 347 **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to allow the sharing of relevant information with police forces to help identify potentially fraudulent benefit claims. (3096)
- 348 **Mary Glendon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make it her policy to ensure local housing allowance keeps pace with median rent prices. (2895)
- 349 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an estimate of the number of households that will be affected by the proposed change to the eligibility criteria for winter fuel payments by (a) ethnicity and (b) socio-economic status. (2738)
- 350 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of means-testing the winter fuel payment on those no longer eligible for that payment. (3026)
- 351 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what plans she has to increase the take-up of pension credit. (3027)
- 352 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the cost to her Department was of ministerial severance payments in each year from 19 December 2019 to 30 May 2024; which Ministers received a severance payment; and how much each Minister received. (3037)
- 353 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 7 February 2023 to Question 138258 on Labelling: Packaging, what the UK's policy has been on matters relating to the meetings of the potential hazards issues working group established by the UN Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals; and whether the UK (a) supported, (b) opposed or (c) did not taken a position in response to EU proposals to introduce new hazard classes on endocrine disruptors and other hazards. (3450)
- 354 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate she has made of the number of claimants known to her Department who applied for personal independence payments but died with six months of making their application. (3456)

- 355 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of appointing a commissioner for older people. (3461)
- 356 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an assessment of the adequacy of the (a) accessibility and (b) other aspects of the application process for Pension Credit. (3478)
- 357 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent steps she has taken to help increase take-up of Pension Credit in Newcastle-under-Lyme constituency. (3479)
- 358 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people are claiming Pension Credit in Newcastle-under-Lyme constituency. (3480)
- 359 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool Riverside): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the report by the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman entitled Women's State Pension age: our findings on injustice and associated issues, published on 21 March 2024, HC 638, whether she plans to seek parliamentary time to enable hon. Members to vote on financial redress proposals. (3183)
- 360 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool Riverside): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the report by the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman entitled Women's State Pension age: our findings on injustice and associated issues, published on 21 March 2024, HC 638, whether her Department has made an estimate of the number of women born in the 1950s who have been affected by the State Pension age changes considered in that report. (3184)
- 361 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool Riverside): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will commission a equality impact assessment on the proposed changes to the eligibility for the Winter Fuel Payment. (3186)
- 362 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool Riverside): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many claims for Pension Credit have taken longer than 6 weeks to process in the last 12 months. (3187)
- 363 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool Riverside): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an estimate of the number of pensioners living in (a) relative and (b) absolute poverty that are not in receipt of Pension Credit in Liverpool Riverside constituency; and if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of proposed changes to the eligibility for the Winter Fuel Payment on those numbers. (3188)
- 364 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool Riverside): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of changing eligibility requirements for the Winter Fuel Payment on the number of people living in fuel poverty. (3189)

- 365 **Graham Leadbitter** (Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to (a) tackle wait times experienced by (i) vulnerable people who require urgent assistance and (ii) other callers to her Department's helpline, (b) improve the (A) efficiency and (B) accessibility of its customer service and (c) ensure that vulnerable individuals receive timely support. (3601)
- 366 **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what plans her Department has to support the health of pensioners living in energy inefficient homes when Winter Fuel Payment is withdrawn. (2955)
- 367 **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether she plans to review the removal of the spare room subsidy. (2957)
- 368 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether she has made an assessment of the potential impact of changing eligibility requirements for the winter fuel payment on the affordability of energy for people with motor neurone disease. (3653)
- 369 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an estimate of the number of pensioners that are (a) eligible and (b) not claiming Pension Credit by constituency. (3414)
- 370 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of continuing the Household Support Fund after 30 September 2024. (3434)
- 371 **John McDonnell** (Hayes and Harlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether she plans to continue the nationwide rollout of the Mandatory In-Work Progression offer. (2708)
- 372 **John McDonnell** (Hayes and Harlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will publish an (a) impact statement and (b) equalities impact assessment of means-testing the winter fuel payment. (2710)
- 373 **John McDonnell** (Hayes and Harlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the effectiveness of the steps her Department has taken to increase take-up of Pensions Credit since January 2019. (2711)
- 374 **John McDonnell** (Hayes and Harlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many claims for Pension Credit took longer than six weeks to process in the last 12 months. (2712)
- 375 **Anneliese Midgley** (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people were living in (a) relative and (b) absolute poverty in Knowsley constituency in each of the last 10 years. (3300)

- 376 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of changes to pensioners' eligibility for the Winter Fuel Allowance on the health and well-being of pensioners in (a) Aldridge-Brownhills constituency and (b) the UK. (2911)
- 377 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department has allocated additional (a) staff and (b) budget to helping to increase the uptake of Pension Credit. (2913)
- 378 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she plans to take to encourage take up of Pension Credit. (3146)
- 379 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what proportion of pensioners in Huntingdon constituency will lose winter fuel payment. (3378)
- 380 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how much her Department spent on communications in the last year for which data is available. (3079)
- 381 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people work in her Department's Equality, Diversity, Inclusion and Wellbeing team. (3087)
- 382 **Melanie Ward** (Cowdenbeath and Kirkcaldy): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will undertake a review of the Child Maintenance Service. (3561)
- 383 **James Wild** (North West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people in North West Norfolk constituency (a) received winter fuel payments and (b) were eligible for (i) pension credit and (ii) other means tested benefits in 2023-4. (3128)
- 384 **Jess Asato** (Lowestoft): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of changes to the Winter Fuel Payment on the demand for health care. (3441)
- 385 **Jess Asato** (Lowestoft): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people aged 65 and over have been hospitalised for illnesses caused by cold weather in each of the last five years. (3442)
- 386 **Alex Baker** (Aldershot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to increase access to mental health services in Aldershot constituency. (3508)
- 387 **Alex Baker** (Aldershot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to increase access to NHS dentistry in Aldershot constituency. (3509)

- 388 **Alex Baker** (Aldershot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of provision of NHS dentists in Aldershot constituency. (3510)
- 389 **Alex Baker** (Aldershot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to increase uptake of breast cancer screening in Aldershot constituency. (3511)
- 390 **Alex Baker** (Aldershot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to provide support to young people with eating disorders in Aldershot constituency. (3512)
- 391 **Alex Baker** (Aldershot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to reduce waiting times for elective surgeries in Aldershot constituency. (3513)
- 392 **Alex Baker** (Aldershot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to provide (a) resources and (b) other support to help GP surgeries to reduce (i) patient backlogs and (ii) workloads in Aldershot constituency. (3514)
- 393 **Alex Baker** (Aldershot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to enable GP surgeries to provide additional services in Aldershot constituency. (3515)
- 394 **Alex Baker** (Aldershot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to increase the availability of face-to-face GP appointments in Aldershot constituency. (3516)
- 395 **Alex Baker** (Aldershot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate his Department has made of the number of residential care homes that have closed in Aldershot constituency since 2010. (3517)
- 396 **Alex Baker** (Aldershot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of social care capacity in Aldershot constituency. (3518)
- 397 **Alex Baker** (Aldershot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what (a) financial and (b) other steps his Department is taking to tackle workforce shortages in the NHS in Aldershot constituency. (3519)
- 398 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure people aged between 65 and 70 who turned 65 before 1 September 2023 can access the shingles vaccine. (3211)
- 399 **Danny Beales** (Uxbridge and South Ruislip): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of levels of compliance of NHS Trusts with the NHS car parking guidance 2022. (3640)

- 400 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the maximum net pensionable earnings paid by the NHS to an orthodontist was in England in each of the last three years. (2847)
- 401 **Phil Brickell** (Bolton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the funding model for hospices. (3409)
- 402 **Julia Buckley** (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of NHS England underwriting leases for GP practices. (3488)
- 403 **Julia Buckley** (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has made a recent assessment of the potential impact of the lack of shared IT systems between primary, secondary and mental healthcare on (a) patients and (b) healthcare professionals. (3489)
- 404 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help reduce overprescribing. (2902)
- 405 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to support GP surgeries (a) improve energy efficiency and (b) reduce their carbon footprint. (2903)
- 406 **Andrew Cooper** (Mid Cheshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he plans to take to help improve access to ADHD medication. (3525)
- 407 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make representations to (a) Daiichi Sankyo and (b) AstraZeneca following the decision by NICE not to recommend Enhertu as a cost effective treatment for advanced stage breast cancer. (3107)
- 408 **Dr Beccy Cooper** (Worthing West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what progress his Department has made on (a) implementing and (b) training additional mental health staff to help relieve waiting lists. (3614)
- 409 **Dr Beccy Cooper** (Worthing West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help reduce consumption of ultra-processed foods. (3616)
- 410 **Dr Beccy Cooper** (Worthing West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department plans to take to tackle childhood obesity in the Health Mission Delivery Board. (3617)
- 411 **Dr Beccy Cooper** (Worthing West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of childhood obesity on inequalities in health outcomes between (a) deprived communities and (b) less deprived communities. (3618)

- 412 **Dr Beccy Cooper** (Worthing West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to use indicators of health other than Body Mass Index to inform public health (a) priorities, (b) decisions and (c) strategies. (3619)
- 413 **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of the performance of (a) Shrewsbury and Telford NHS Trust, (b) Shropshire Telford and Wrekin Integrated Care Board and (c) NHS Shropshire Telford and Wrekin with respect to (i) waiting times, (ii) value for money and (iii) CQC reports (3309)
- 414 **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he plans to take to ensure the long-term (a) funding and (b) sustainability of hospices. (3322)
- 415 **Dame Caroline Dinenage** (Gosport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will publish a timetable for the introduction of secondary legislation for further advertising restrictions (a) on TV and (b) online for less healthy food products. (2855)
- 416 **Dame Caroline Dinenage** (Gosport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of dementia training in the adult social care workforce. (2856)
- 417 **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when NHS England last reviewed guidance for hyperemesis gravidarum; and whether that review was shared with (a) the Scottish Government and (b) NHS Scotland. (3591)
- 418 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will include (a) unpaid family carers and (b) household contacts of immunosuppressed individuals in the covid-19 vaccination programme. (3660)
- 419 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans he has to make Lecanemab available on the NHS to patients with early onset Alzheimer's disease. (3664)
- 420 **Florence Eshalomi** (Vauxhall and Camberwell Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what progress he has made on the implementation of recommendations given by The Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency on the routine provision of (a) MPOX vaccination and (b) the targeted use of the meningococcal B vaccination for gonorrhoea prevention. (3240)
- 421 **Florence Eshalomi** (Vauxhall and Camberwell Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will publish a timeline for implementing the recommendations of the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency on the (a) routine provision of MPOX vaccination and (b) targeted use of the meningococcal B vaccination for gonorrhoea prevention. (3241)

- 422 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will ask NHS England to monitor the (a) uptake of locally implemented waste reduction schemes and (b) impact of such schemes on levels of unused medicines. (3123)
- 423 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much NHS England spent on (a) fees and (b) other costs for work by Niche Health and Social Care Consulting in relation to urology services at the University Hospitals of Morecambe Bay NHS Foundation Trust in (a) 2019/20, (b) 2020/21 and (c) 2021/22. (2790)
- 424 **Mark Ferguson** (Gateshead Central and Whickham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people have been waiting to access Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services support in Gateshead for more than six months. (3279)
- 425 **Mark Ferguson** (Gateshead Central and Whickham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many referrals have been accepted by Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services in Gateshead in each of the last five years. (3280)
- 426 **Mark Ferguson** (Gateshead Central and Whickham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate his Department has made of the number of open GP practices in Gateshead Central and Whickham constituency (a) on the most recent date for which figures are available and (b) in 2010. (3281)
- 427 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make representations to NICE on their decision to no longer offer Enertu for women suffering from metastatic HER2-LOW breast cancer. (3568)
- 428 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to provide covid-19 vaccinations to the (a) families and (b) carers of patients with immunosuppressant diseases. (3570)
- 429 **Mary Glendon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he plans to take to encourage more people to train as nurses. (2899)
- 430 **Helen Grant** (Maidstone and Malling): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve dementia care in England. (2861)
- 431 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South and Mid Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has had discussions with Leukaemia UK on publication of a cancer strategy. (3193)
- 432 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to maintain free prescriptions for pensioners not in receipt of (a) pension credit and (b) other benefits. (2724)

- 433 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many orthodontists were paid more than £1 million by the NHS in each of the last five years. (2725)
- 434 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what powers he has to change the leadership of the General Dental Council. (2726)
- 435 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has had recent discussion with NHS England about improving early detection of Ductal Carcinoma in situ in women. (2728)
- 436 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure that women in need of urgent gynaecologist appointments can be seen in person. (2729)
- 437 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to (a) monitor and (b) assess provision gaps for open access defibrillators. (2731)
- 438 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will have discussions with the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions on supporting employment opportunities for people with functional neurological disorders. (2732)
- 439 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, to which outdoor areas he plans to extend restrictions on smoking. (2737)
- 440 **Claire Hazelgrove** (Filton and Bradley Stoke): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to (a) widen treatment options on the NHS for people with brain tumours and (b) prevent patients from having to go abroad to access treatment. (3611)
- 441 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the cost to his Department was of ministerial severance payments in each year from 19 December 2019 to 30 May 2024; which Ministers received a severance payment in that period; and how much each Minister received. (3038)
- 442 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 31 July 2024 to Question 1576 on Mental Health Services: Finance, what the total planned expenditure for mental health services was in (a) cash and (b) real terms in each year since 2015-16. (3171)
- 443 **Patrick Hurley** (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate his Department has made of the number of dentists taking new NHS patients in Southport constituency. (3328)

- 444 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he has taken to help ensure that people with bladder cancer in Newcastle-under-Lyme constituency receive (a) an early diagnosis and (b) swift treatment. (3451)
- 445 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he has taken to help ensure that people with Parkinson's in Newcastle-under-Lyme constituency receive (a) an early diagnosis and (b) swift treatment. (3452)
- 446 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of Enhertu in reducing the number of women who lose their lives to breast cancer in (a) Newcastle-under-Lyme constituency and b) England. (3455)
- 447 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of procuring Produodopa via the NHS on the treatment of Parkinson's disease in Newcastle-Under Lyme constituency. (3459)
- 448 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to increase the availability of Produodopa for people with Parkinson's disease in Newcastle-under-Lyme constituency. (3460)
- 449 **Ian Lavery** (Blyth and Ashington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to support sufferers of post SSRI sexual dysfunction. (2900)
- 450 **Ian Lavery** (Blyth and Ashington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what research his Department is undertaking on permanent antidepressant induced sexual dysfunction. (2901)
- 451 **Kim Leadbeater** (Spen Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the evidential basis is for not including household members of people who are clinically vulnerable within the eligibility criteria for covid-19 booster vaccinations. (3274)
- 452 **Kim Leadbeater** (Spen Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to update the guidance on Use of e-cigarettes in public places and workplaces, published by Public Health England in July 2016; and if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of further restrictions on vaping in public spaces. (3275)
- 453 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what amount of charges were issued by NHS trusts for treatment to non-UK residents not entitled to free secondary healthcare in each of the last three financial years; how much of that amount was successfully recovered in each of the last three financial years; and what is the outstanding amount. (3445)

- 454 **Josh MacAlister** (Whitehaven and Workington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure sufficient supply of (a) creon and (b) other ADHD medications. (3286)
- 455 **James MacCleary** (Lewes): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether the proposed restrictions on puberty blockers will apply to those already using these medications. (3582)
- 456 **Alice Macdonald** (Norwich North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of the availability of ADHD medication; and what steps he is taking to improve the availability of that medication. (3411)
- 457 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the level of funding for hospices in Cornwall. (3643)
- 458 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of NHS dental provision in Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard constituency. (3431)
- 459 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will set a timeframe for introducing legislative provisions to reform the dental contract. (3432)
- 460 **John McDonnell** (Hayes and Harlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has had discussions with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on the potential health impacts of means-testing the winter fuel payment. (2714)
- 461 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking with the Scottish Government to (a) improve drug addiction treatments and (b) reduce drug-related deaths. (3375)
- 462 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the efficiency of the sharing of medical records when a patient requires NHS treatment in different nations of the UK. (3376)
- 463 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of changing the eligibility criteria for the winter fuel payment on the health of pensioners. (2884)
- 464 **Anneliese Midgley** (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many NHS sites have closed in Knowsley since May 2010; and what the (a) name and (b) postcode was of each site. (3296)

- 465 **Anneliese Midgley** (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of the NHS GP provision in the Knowsley constituency. (3297)
- 466 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether the review into the hospital building programme will include hospitals not placed on the original list but still in urgent need of (a) investment and (b) repair. (3386)
- 467 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure pandemic preparedness in the context of the mpox outbreak in Africa. (2909)
- 468 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of changes to eligibility for Winter Fuel Payments on the health and wellbeing of pensioners. (2914)
- 469 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will allow contacts of people with immunosuppression to be eligible for the covid-19 vaccination programme in autumn 2024. (3147)
- 470 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that there is an adequate supply of medicines for ADHD. (3153)
- 471 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the main differences will be between the (a) existing scope of the Pharmacy First programme and (b) proposed scope of the Community Pharmacy Prescribing Service. (3379)
- 472 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the remaining lifespan is for the buildings within Hinchingsbrooke Hospital constructed from reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete panels. (3380)
- 473 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what progress he has made with Community Pharmacy England on the new pharmacy contract. (3383)
- 474 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will review the (a) drug prices, (b) appliance prices, (c) fees paid to pharmacy contractors and (d) allowances paid to pharmacy contractors in the drug tariff. (3384)
- 475 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much his Department spent on communications in the last year for which data is available. (3075)
- 476 **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to meet Hospice UK to discuss hospice funding. (2802)

- 477 **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of increasing the level of funding provided through the NHS to charitable hospices. (2803)
- 478 **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to review the funding model for hospices as part his plans to improve NHS services. (2804)
- 479 **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the saving to the the NHS and social care services by hospices delivering palliative care. (2805)
- 480 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of community hospitals with (a) in-patient wards and (b) other integrated healthcare facilities on healthcare provision in rural areas. (3399)
- 481 **Mark Pritchard** (The Wrekin): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will put in place oversight of integrated care boards that frequently commission services from GP practices that regularly underperform in patient satisfaction surveys. (2783)
- 482 **Mark Pritchard** (The Wrekin): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help (a) raise awareness of the symptoms of brain aneurysms and (b) improve training for GPs to recognise those symptoms. (2788)
- 483 **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South and Walkden): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of adding medications for (a) chronic kidney disease and (b) recipients of kidney transplants to the NHS prescription charge exemption list. (2800)
- 484 **Adrian Ramsay** (Waveney Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking in response to the declaration by the WHO of Mpox as a public health emergency of international concern under the International Health Regulations (2005) (IHR). (3631)
- 485 **Adrian Ramsay** (Waveney Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Foreign Commonwealth and Development on the steps required to help ensure equitable global access to (a) vaccines and (b) antivirals which have been effective against Mpox. (3632)
- 486 **Mr Joshua Reynolds** (Maidenhead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing access to Enhertu on the NHS for cancer patients. (3642)
- 487 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to provide a sufficient number of public defibrillators to ensure that one is always accessible within five minutes of a cardiac arrest. (2770)

- 488 **Dr Jeevun Sandher** (Loughborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to recruit more GPs in Loughborough constituency. (3581)
- 489 **Dr Neil Shastri-Hurst** (Solihull West and Shirley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to fund research into treatment for vitiligo. (3534)
- 490 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds Central and Headingley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help GP surgeries (a) improve energy efficiency and (b) reduce their carbon footprint. (3062)
- 491 **Alistair Strathern** (Hitchin): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that medical students receive adequate training during hospital placements. (3278)
- 492 **Graham Stuart** (Beverley and Holderness): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 31 July 2024 to Question 1642 on Dental Services, if he will make it his policy to implement the plans to reform dental services set out in the document published by his Department on 7 February 2024 entitled Faster, simpler and fairer: our plan to recover and reform NHS dentistry. (2773)
- 493 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure the full implementation of (a) equal access to IVF treatment for LGBTQ+ people and (b) the entire Women's Health Strategy. (3054)
- 494 **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the recommendation in the report entitled A Workforce Strategy for Adult Social Care in England, published by Skills for Care's on 18 July 2024, that all social care workers should have dementia training aligned to the Dementia Training Standards Framework (3228)
- 495 **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will take steps to expand access to dementia training for adult social care workers (3229)
- 496 **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence on implementing the commitment in the England Rare Disease Action Plan 2024 to review the criteria for determining whether a medicine should be routed to its Highly Specialised Technologies programme. (3233)
- 497 **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the exercise by the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence of its discretionary power to show flexibility in relation to its (a) Standard Technology Appraisal and (b) Highly Specialised Technologies programme routing decisions in circumstances where there is (i) uncertainty on the

incidence and prevalence of the disease and (ii) high unmet clinical need to ensure fair and equitable access to innovative new treatments for patients living with rare diseases.

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498 **James Wild** (North West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to his oral contribution of 23 July 2024, Official Report, column 516, what the terms of reference are for his Department's review of the new hospital programme; and what his planned timetable is for completion of that work. (3127)

499 **Mohammad Yasin** (Bedford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to review licensing arrangements for children's homes in densely populated residential areas. (3014)

500 **Dame Harriett Baldwin** (West Worcestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 30 July 2024 to Question 1266 on Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office: Private Education, if he will make an estimate of the potential impact of the imposition of VAT on school fees from January 2025 on his departmental budget in (a) 2024/25 and (b) 2025/26. (2888)

501 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of the strength of links between the Palestinian Authority and Hamas. (3015)

502 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of the Beijing Declaration on the potential for reform of the Palestinian Authority. (3016)

503 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of potential implications for his policies of the human rights situation in Bangladesh. (3058)

504 **Sam Carling** (North West Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department has taken diplomatic steps in response to recent violence against Hindu communities in Bangladesh. (3620)

505 **Sam Carling** (North West Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department plans to take to help protect human rights in the Balochistan region, in the context of recent violence in that region. (3622)

506 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the closure of (a) UNITAD in September 2024 and (b) camps for internally displaced people in the Kurdistan region of Iraq on the safety and security of the Yazidi community in Iraq. (2905)

- 507 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what support his Department plans to offer to the Global Alliance against Hunger and Poverty launched by the G20 Brazilian Presidency. (2906)
- 508 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to address the root causes of hunger and malnutrition globally. (3563)
- 509 **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 finding in the report entitled The State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World 2024, published by the FAO in August 2024, that 2.8 billion people could not afford a healthy diet in 2022. (3564)
- 510 **Dr Beccy Cooper** (Worthing West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to help increase the accessibility of covid-19 vaccines in lower-income countries. (3615)
- 511 **Florence Eshalomi** (Vauxhall and Camberwell Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assistance his Department is giving to the Democratic Republic of the Congo for the recent mpox outbreaks in that country. (3242)
- 512 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what his policy is on the use of (a) the G-GBNI A321 and (b) non-scheduled flights for official business. (2868)
- 513 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South and Mid Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to advance clean water, sanitation, and hygiene programmes globally. (3192)
- 514 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what the cost to his Department was of ministerial severance payments in each year from 19 December 2019 to 30 May 2024; which Ministers received a severance payment in that period; and how much each Minister received. (3039)
- 515 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had recent discussions with his Chinese counterpart on (a) closing down the residential boarding schools system, (b) preserving the (i) language, (ii) history, (iii) way of life and (iv) other aspects of the distinct identity of the Tibetan people, (c) religious and cultural freedom in Tibet, (d) the release of Panchen Lama, (e) the role of the Chinese state in the decision making process for the succession of the Dalai Lama and (f) the peaceful ending of the occupation of Tibet. (3174)

- 516 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much aid his Department is giving to India annually; and what programmes that aid is spent on. (34175)
- 517 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the (a) adequacy and (b) implications for his policies of the candidates seeking appointment as the next Secretary-General of the Commonwealth. (3462)
- 518 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had discussions with his Zimbabwean counterpart since his appointment. (3465)
- 519 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had discussions with his South African counterpart since his appointment. (3466)
- 520 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had discussions with his Jamaican counterpart since his appointment. (3467)
- 521 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had discussions with his counterpart in Barbados since his appointment. (3468)
- 522 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had discussions with his Zambian counterpart since his appointment. (3469)
- 523 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had discussions with his counterpart in Lesotho since his appointment. (3470)
- 524 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what plans he has to visit (a) Zimbabwe and (b) the Southern African Development Community region. (3482)
- 525 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with the Caribbean Community. (3483)
- 526 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with this Irish counterpart. (3484)

- 527 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the strength of the British/Irish relationship. (3485)
- 528 **Afzal Khan** (Manchester Rusholme): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has plans to meet President Abdikadir Ahmed Aw-Ali of the SSC-Khaatumo region in Somalia. (3069)
- 529 **Afzal Khan** (Manchester Rusholme): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the role of the SSC-Khaatumo region in supporting stability, development and growth in Somalia. (3070)
- 530 **Uma Kumaran** (Stratford and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for the Home Department on a decision regarding the most vulnerable Tamil refugees and migrants in the British Indian Territory of Diego Garcia. (3605)
- 531 **Uma Kumaran** (Stratford and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of imposing Magnitsky-style sanctions against people in Sri Lanka accused of war crimes. (3606)
- 532 **Chris Law** (Dundee Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the report entitled The state of food security and nutrition in the world 2024 by the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations, published in August 2024, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of the estimate that 582 million people will be chronically food insecure in 2030. (2941)
- 533 **Chris Law** (Dundee Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the report entitled The state of food security and nutrition in the world 2024 by the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations, published in August 2024, what steps his Department plans to take to support initiatives to close the financing gap for food security and nutrition. (2942)
- 534 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will extend UK sanctions on shadow oil tankers dealing in Russian oil to (a) those providing (i) storage facilities and (ii) fuel, (b) port operators that facilitate the docking of sanctioned vessels], (c) senior crew members operating on sanctioned vessels and (d) buyers, brokers and intermediaries that deal with sanctioned vessels and their cargo. (3363)
- 535 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he plans to take steps to ban the import of oil products whose origin is derived from crude oil of Russian origin. (3365)

- 536 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he has taken to help secure the release of Hong Kong pro-democracy campaigner, Jimmy Lai. (3366)
- 537 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to help ensure access to clean water for people in the developing world. (3367)
- 538 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to help end the execution of political prisoners in Iran. (3369)
- 539 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he plans to take to help reconstruction efforts in Gaza. (3371)
- 540 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has made recent representations to his Bangladeshi counterpart on the protection of religious minorities in Bangladesh. (3161)
- 541 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of reported attacks on the Hindu community in Bangladesh. (3162)
- 542 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help support countries affected by mpox with access to vaccines. (2908)
- 543 **David Mundell** (Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale and Tweeddale): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to support Mpox vaccine (a) distribution and (b) accessibility in the Democratic Republic of Congo. (2776)
- 544 **David Mundell** (Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale and Tweeddale): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to collaborate with international health organizations to improve the (a) surveillance and (b) containment of Mpox globally. (2777)
- 545 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he was made aware that nine staff of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) may have been involved in the attack on Israel of 7 October 2023 (a) during his discussion with UN Secretary-General Guterres and (b) prior to his decision to reinstate funding to UNRWA. (3382)

- 546 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much his Department spent on communications in the last year for which data is available. (3074)
- 547 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton and Winchmore Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of Save the Children's press notice entitled Gaza's missing children: Over 20,000 children estimated to be lost, disappeared, detained, buried under the rubble or in mass graves, published on 24 June 2024. (2963)
- 548 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton and Winchmore Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of Save the Children's press notice entitled Physical abuse, infectious disease spreading as conditions for Palestinian children in Israeli military detention deteriorate, published on 22 July 2024. (2964)
- 549 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of negotiating a reciprocal agreement with his French counterpart to allow British citizens with properties in France to spend up to six months in France per year. (3394)
- 550 **Mark Pritchard** (The Wrekin): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will join his EU counterparts in making representations to the Russian Federation over the construction of a naval base in Abkhazia. (2785)
- 551 **Mark Pritchard** (The Wrekin): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to help improve access to (a) clean drinking water and (b) sanitation in fragile and conflict affected states and regions. (2787)
- 552 **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South and Walkden): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will introduce Magnitsky-style sanctions against Chinese officials involved in human rights abuses in Tibet. (2801)
- 553 **Shivani Raja** (Leicester East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what humanitarian aid his Department is providing to Bangladesh. (3345)
- 554 **Shivani Raja** (Leicester East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what support his Department is providing to British citizens in Bangladesh. (3346)
- 555 **Shivani Raja** (Leicester East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assistance his Department is providing for people with family members in Bangladesh. (3347)

- 556 **Shivani Raja** (Leicester East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what diplomatic steps he is taking to help ensure the protection of (a) Hindu communities and (b) other religious minorities in Bangladesh. (3348)
- 557 **Shivani Raja** (Leicester East): 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 recent reports of (a) human rights violations against Hindus, (b) the destruction of religious sites and (c) targeted violence in Bangladesh. (3349)
- 558 **Shivani Raja** (Leicester East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent representations he has made to his Bangladeshi counterpart on the (a) persecution, (b) safety and (c) rights of Hindus in that country. (3350)
- 559 **Shivani Raja** (Leicester East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what support is available to British citizens concerned about the safety of family members in Bangladesh. (3351)
- 560 **Shivani Raja** (Leicester East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with (a) international partners and (b) human rights organisations on the ongoing violence against Hindu communities in Bangladesh; and what diplomatic steps he is taking to help tackle that violence. (3352)
- 561 **Shivani Raja** (Leicester East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what reports he has received from HM High Commission Dhaka on recent alleged attacks on Hindu temples in Bangladesh. (3353)
- 562 **Shivani Raja** (Leicester East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will take steps to monitor instances of ethnic and religious violence in Bangladesh. (3354)
- 563 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he plans to implement procurement deals agreed with the government of Bangladesh. (2751)
- 564 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what the Government's policy is on engaging with the government of Bangladesh on the matter of the Rohingya people in Bangladesh. (2752)
- 565 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has met his Swiss counterpart since 5 July 2024. (2753)
- 566 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he plans to visit British Overseas Territories within the next six months. (2758)

- 567 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to help ensure press freedom in the British Indian Ocean Territory. (2759)
- 568 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much his Department has spent on private security companies in the British Indian Ocean Territory in each of the last five years. (2760)
- 569 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with his Israeli counterpart on the security situation in Israel. (2761)
- 570 **Dr Neil Shastri-Hurst** (Solihull West and Shirley): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will undertake a review of attempts by China to influence UK (a) politicians and (b) Government. (3535)
- 571 **Dr Neil Shastri-Hurst** (Solihull West and Shirley): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what diplomatic steps he is taking to help tackle the destabilising activities of Iran in the Middle East. (3536)
- 572 **Dr Neil Shastri-Hurst** (Solihull West and Shirley): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the levels of Iranian-based activity in the UK. (3537)
- 573 **Dr Neil Shastri-Hurst** (Solihull West and Shirley): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the level of cyber security threat posed by China. (3538)
- 574 **Laurence Turner** (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to help (a) reduce hostilities and (b) secure deliveries of humanitarian aid in Darfur. (3556)
- 575 **Laurence Turner** (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 30 July 2024 to Question 863 on Special Envoy on Freedom of Religion or Belief, when he plans to decide on the special envoy roles. (3557)
- 576 **Antonia Bance** (Tipton and Wednesbury): To ask Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to protect workers travelling home late at night who are at risk of sexual violence. (3325)
- 577 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if her Department will reduce the cost of visas for overseas graduates who are able to fill gaps in the labour market. (3194)

- 578 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department plans to incentivise recruitment of (a) domestic graduates from overseas and (b) overseas graduates to fill shortages in the labour market. (3195)
- 579 **Danny Beales** (Uxbridge and South Ruislip): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of increasing sentences for people convicted of assaulting public service workers. (3638)
- 580 **Danny Beales** (Uxbridge and South Ruislip): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of making crimes against wildlife notifiable offences. (3639)
- 581 **Siân Berry** (Brighton Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of prosecution under Section 2 of the Terrorism Act 2006 of (a) social media platforms and (b) their owners for facilitating (i) the dissemination of terrorist materials and (ii) incitements to terrorism by far right groups. (3625)
- 582 **Siân Berry** (Brighton Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make it her policy to repeal the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022 (3626)
- 583 **Siân Berry** (Brighton Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she plans to appoint a new anti-corruption champion. (3629)
- 584 **Rachel Blake** (Cities of London and Westminster): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will publish a new anti-corruption strategy. (3571)
- 585 **Mrs Elsie Blundell** (Heywood and Middleton North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she plans to take to protect (a) workers who support the night time economy, (b) shift workers, (c) NHS workers, (d) people enjoying a night out and (e) other people travelling at night who are at risk of (i) violence and (ii) sexual violence. (3377)
- 586 **Phil Brickell** (Bolton West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether (a) the sprint review of security threats and (b) the Defending Democracy Task Force will consider risks created by weaknesses in (i) the UK's laws on political finance laws and (ii) their enforcement. (3408)
- 587 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people hold British Overseas Citizen status. (2925)
- 588 **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what her Department's planned timetable is for implementing the recommendations of the Final report of the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse, published in October 2022; and whether the Government plans not to implement any of the recommendations in that report. (3304)

- 589 **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for her policies of the independent report into child sexual exploitation in Telford, published 12 July 2022. (3305)
- 590 **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department has made of the impact of not having a permanent Chief Constable since 2023 on the governance of West Mercia Police; and what discussions she has had with (a) the force and (b) the Police and Crime Commissioner on that matter. (3310)
- 591 **Sir Iain Duncan Smith** (Chingford and Woodford Green): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she has had discussions with the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero on the adequacy of section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act in preventing the use of forced labour products in net zero supply chains. (2707)
- 592 **Mark Garnier** (Wyre Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she plans to review the Government's guidance on police use of water cannons. (2883)
- 593 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what her planned timetable is for publishing details of the locations of youth hubs. (2733)
- 594 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she plans to take steps to amend the statutory guidance entitled Non-crime hate incidents: code of practice, published on 3 June 2023, on only recording personal data relating to non-crime hate incidents if it is deemed proportionate and necessary to do so in order to mitigate a real risk of harm. (2739)
- 595 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the cost to her Department was of ministerial severance payments in each year from 19 December 2019 to 30 May 2024; which Ministers received a severance payment in that period; and how much each Minister received. (3041)
- 596 **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department what plans she has to fund accommodation for asylum seekers once the use of hotels is stopped. (2952)
- 597 **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what her Department's criteria are for implementation of an emergency visa scheme for refugees fleeing war zones. (2930)
- 598 **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if her Department will take steps to review the cost of (a) visa and (b) citizenship application fees. (2935)

- 599 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many irregular migrants are housed in the Great Yarmouth Borough Council area; what accommodation is used to house those migrants; and what the cost is of housing those migrants. (3444)
- 600 **Josh MacAlister** (Whitehaven and Workington): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she plans that access to the Croasdale Emergency Services mobile mast in Whitehaven and Workington constituency will be shared with all mobile network operators. (3287)
- 601 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the conclusions of the Senior Coroner for Surrey's Prevention of Future Deaths report following the murder of Emma and Ellette Pattison, published on 12 August 2024, whether she plans to review how licensing authorities could obtain details about an applicant's history of coercive controlling behaviour. (3635)
- 602 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the conclusions of the Senior Coroner for Surrey's Prevention of Future Deaths report following the murder of Emma and Ellette Pattison, published on 12 August 2024, whether she plans to take steps with the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care to ensure licensing authorities are made aware of online GP consultations as a further safeguard. (3636)
- 603 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if her Department will publish a list of animal tests replaced by non-animal methods since 2010. (3417)
- 604 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what plans her Department has to support the availability of bleed control kits in (a) Central Bedfordshire and (b) the UK. (3422)
- 605 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will establish a review of knife (a) advertising and (b) sales including the strengthening of (i) ID and (ii) age checks by delivery services. (3426)
- 606 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will bring forward legislative proposals to directly incorporate the Council of Europe Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings into domestic law. (3372)
- 607 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to help ensure that survivors of modern slavery feel safe to report exploitation and abuse regardless of their immigration status. (3373)
- 608 **Abtisam Mohamed** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to help protect workers travelling home late at night who are at risk of sexual violence. (3439)

- 609 **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the time taken for DBS checks to be carried out for employers in England. (3276)
- 610 **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what is the (a) average and (b) target time taken for a DBS check to be completed in England. (3277)
- 611 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to help protect workers travelling home late at night who are at risk of sexual violence. (3152)
- 612 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she has taken to end the forced swim test in addition to holding discussions with (a) the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology and (b) UKRI. (2715)
- 613 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she plans to publish a timeline for ending the forced swim test. (2716)
- 614 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will set a deadline for elimination of the forced swim test. (2717)
- 615 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many active licences authorise use of the forced swim test. (2718)
- 616 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she plans to support the availability of bleed kits. (2719)
- 617 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what proportion of the proposed 13,000 new neighbourhood police officers will be (a) warranted police officers, (b) Police Community Support Officers and (c) Special Constables; and how many of each such officer will be allocated to the Cambridgeshire constabulary. (3381)
- 618 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how much her Department spent on communications in the last year for which data is available. (3077)
- 619 **Mark Pritchard** (The Wrekin): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the activities of hostile states on levels of illegal immigration. (2781)
- 620 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she has met her Swiss counterpart to discuss facilitated mobility for Swiss and British professionals to travel to the UK and Switzerland. (2755)

- 621 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people claiming asylum in the UK are being detained on the British Indian Ocean Territory as of 30 August 2024. (2763)
- 622 **John Slinger** (Rugby): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of (a) police forces prioritising community engagement at the neighbourhood level, (b) public meetings, (c) ward walks, (d) strengthening relationships with key stakeholders and (e) deploying specialist (i) youth and (ii) other engagement teams on public confidence in the police. (3407)
- 623 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department has made an (a) impact assessment and (b) equality impact assessment on the application fee for people applying for UK citizenship who have (i) indefinite leave to remain and (ii) settled status. (3055)
- 624 **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 22 July 2024 to Question 454 on Asylum: LGBT+ People, when her Department last reviewed the level of the risk of (a) discrimination, (b) harassment and (c) violence towards LGBTQ+ people seeking asylum in immigration detention centres. (3230)
- 625 **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure that people who have recently acquired refugee status do not experience homelessness after leaving asylum accommodation. (3236)
- 626 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she plans to establish Riot Claims Bureaux to handle claims for recent riots. (2919)
- 627 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Leader of the House, what the cost to her Department was of ministerial severance payments in each year from 19 December 2019 to 30 May 2024; which Ministers received a severance payment; and how much each Minister received. (3046)
- 628 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an assessment of the potential (a) impact of the proposed repeal and replacement of the Northern Ireland Troubles (Legacy and Reconciliation) Act 2023 on veterans and (b) need for support for veterans in the context of potential civil action. (3018)
- 629 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the proposed repeal and replacement of the Northern Ireland Troubles (Legacy and Reconciliation) Act 2023 on veterans. (3019)

- 630 **Sam Carling** (North West Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to resume calculations of Cash Equivalent Transfer Valuations frozen as a result of the McCloud judgement for members of the Armed Forces Pension Scheme. (3621)
- 631 **Dame Caroline Dinenage** (Gosport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what discussions he has had with the Defence Infrastructure Organisation on the future of Fort Blockhouse. (2859)
- 632 **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many Ukrainian naval ships are docked in UK waters; and what plans he has to return those ships to the Ukrainian navy for active service. (3596)
- 633 **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what discussions he has had with international partners on the sale of Type 31 frigates. (3597)
- 634 **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what estimate he has made of the number of (a) welders and (b) electricians required to complete surface warship construction. (3598)
- 635 **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what his planned timetable is for the (a) design and (b) procurement of Type 32 frigates. (3599)
- 636 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the cost to his Department was of ministerial severance payments in each year from 19 December 2019 to 30 May 2024; which Ministers received a severance payment; and how much each Minister received. (3042)
- 637 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has held discussions with the Commonwealth War Graves Commission since his appointment. (3464)
- 638 **Kim Leadbeater** (Spen Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he plans to update the Basic Eligibility And Entry Standards to the Royal Navy to allow applications from individuals with asthma when their condition is managed. (3273)
- 639 **James MacCleary** (Lewes): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if his Department will take steps to end the granting of licenses for hunting on its land. (3587)
- 640 **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South and Walkden): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Written Statement of 1 February 2024 on Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy Scheme Update, HCWS233, whether he plans to investigate the reasons for the inconsistent application of ARAP criteria for members of (a) CF333 and (b) ATF444. (2799)
- 641 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has met his Australian counterpart since 5 July 2024. (2757)

- 642 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what discussions he has had with his Israeli counterpart on the security situation in Israel. (2762)
- 643 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of the extent of relations between Hamas and Russia. (2764)
- 644 **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many licences have been issued for trail hunting on his department's land in 2024-2025; and whether he plans to revoke any of these licences. (3545)
- 645 **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 implications for her policies of recent trends in the number of Section 21 notices that have been issued in (a) the UK, (b) the North West and (c) Runcorn and Helsby Constituency. (3064)
- 646 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department is taking steps to accelerate Government-funded remediation schemes in the context of the major fire incident in Dagenham on 26 August 2024; and if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of including non-cladding internal life-critical fire safety defects within the scope of Government-funded remediation schemes. (3068)
- 647 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how much was spent on (a) communications, (b) stationery and business cards, (c) IT and websites and (d) new signage when her Department changed its name to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) by each item of spend; and whether her Department made an assessment of the potential merits re-using previous MHCLG signage and materials. (2975)
- 648 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether Mr Haydon Etherington was appointed to her Department following open competition; on what date he was appointed; what his pay band is; and for what reason he was appointed as a civil servant rather than a Departmental special adviser. (2976)
- 649 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many special advisers have been appointed to her Department as of 30 August 2024; and whether she plans to recruit more. (2977)
- 650 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many staff (a) work in the Deputy Prime Minister's Policy and Strategy Unit, at each grade, (b) have been recruited from outside the Civil Service, (c) were appointed through open competition, (d) positions have been publicly advertised and (e) are due to be further recruited. (2978)

- 651 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what the (a) remit and (b) responsibilities are of her Policy and Strategy Unit. (2979)
- 652 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to page eight of HM Treasury's technical note entitled Applying VAT to Private School Fees and Removing the Business Rates Charitable Rates Relief for Private Schools, what provisions will be included in the Local Government Finance Bill. (2980)
- 653 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many and what proportion of civil servants by (a) title and (b) pay band have been employed by her Department without open competition since the General Election. (2981)
- 654 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to her Department's open consultation entitled Proposed reforms to the National Planning Policy Framework and other changes to the planning system, published on 2 August 2024, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of setting benchmark land values for greenbelt land on land prices. (2982)
- 655 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to update the guidance note published by the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, entitled Permitted development rights for householders: technical guidance, updated on 10 September 2019. (2983)
- 656 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether any of (a) her Parliamentary staff, (b) the Parliamentary staff of other Ministers and (c) Labour Party staff have joined her Department as civil servants, rather than special advisers, since the general election. (2984)
- 657 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to amend the guidance by her Department entitled Selective licensing in the private rented sector: a guide for local authorities, published on 20 June 2023. (2985)
- 658 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she has made a recent assessment of the potential merits of re-introducing (a) regional planning guidance and (b) regional spatial strategies. (2986)
- 659 **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 promote integration, in the context of the public disorder in August 2024. (2987)

- 660 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 2 August 2023 to Question 1758 on Social Rented Housing, what assessment she made of the potential merits of implementing the proposed changes on requiring a (a) local and (b) UK connection for social housing. (2988)
- 661 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will amend building regulations to allow new homes to be built with openable sash windows. (2989)
- 662 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the answer of 2 August 2023, to Question 1758, on Social Rented Housing, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of restricting access to social housing for people connected with (a) terrorism and (b) criminality. (2990)
- 663 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what the status is of the (a) Suffolk and (b) Norfolk devolution deal; and what type of local elections will take place in those local authorities in May 2025. (2991)
- 664 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make it her policy to make the reuse and recycling of materials a material consideration in the granting of planning permission for a replacement building; and what her policy is on local authorities adopting such regulatory requirements. (2992)
- 665 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many affordable homes were delivered through the Affordable Homes Programme in England between 2016 and 2023. (2993)
- 666 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what her policy is on build to rent; and what assessment she has made of the impact of her policies on private rented sector regulation on future investment in the build to rent sector. (2994)
- 667 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what estimate she has made of the number of affordable homes that are being delivered through the Affordable Homes Programme 2016-2023 in London; what the original targets were; and what assessment (a) her Department and (b) Homes England have made of the effectiveness of the Greater London Authority at completing new affordable housing under this programme. (2995)

- 668 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to written ministerial statement of 30 July 2024 entitled Building the homes we need, HCWS48, if she will publish a list of the numerical reduction in the local housing target over this Parliament as a result of the abolition of the urban uplift in each relevant local authority area. (2996)
- 669 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the written ministerial statement of 30 July 2024 entitled Building the homes we need, HCWS48, what changes have been made to the (a) estimated number of new affordable units, (b) the tenure, and (c) completion dates, relative to the original targets for the 2021-26 Affordable Housing Programme in London. (2997)
- 670 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the written ministerial statement of 30 July 2024 entitled Building the homes we need, HCWS48, what the evidential basis is for the assessment that large areas of the Green Belt have little ecological value. (2998)
- 671 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to her Department's consultation entitled Proposed reforms to the National Planning Policy Framework and other changes to the planning system, published on 30 July 2024, if the proposed changes to Green Belt policy on traveller sites will be a material consideration for decision-making for (a) planning applications and (b) planning enforcement appeals on unauthorised traveller sites. (2999)
- 672 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to her Department's consultation entitled Proposed reforms to the National Planning Policy Framework and other changes to the planning system, published on 30 July 2024, whether the proposed changes to traveller planning policy on decision making will be material consideration when a council considers a Temporary Stop Notice. (3000)
- 673 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, which of her Department's closed consultations have not received a formal Government response. (3001)
- 674 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the consultation entitled Proposed reforms to the National Planning Policy Framework and other changes to the planning system, published on 30 July 2024, whether unmet need for traveller sites would constitute grounds for traveller site development in (a) the green belt and (b) open countryside. (3002)

- 675 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the consultation entitled Proposed reforms to the National Planning Policy Framework and other changes to the planning system, published on 30 July 2024, whether the absence of a five-year land supply for traveller sites would constitute grounds for traveller site development in the green belt in the context of (a) a local plan and (b) an individual planning decision. (3003)
- 676 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the consultation entitled Proposed reforms to the National Planning Policy Framework and other changes to the planning system, published on 30 July 2024, whether increased demand due to the presence of travellers on an unauthorised traveller site would be counted as unmet need. (3004)
- 677 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the adequacy of the number of new homes that were built in London in the last five years. (3005)
- 678 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to her Department's guidance entitled, Retained Right to Buy receipts and their use for replacement supply, updated on 30 July 2024, if she will make a forecast of the total number of new build affordable houses set to be built during this Parliament. (3006)
- 679 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the impact of current building regulations on the feasibility of high density, new build, terraced housing in urban areas. (3007)
- 680 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to her Department's press release on new towns, published on 31 July 2024 on new towns, at what time the press release was issued by her Department under embargo to the media; and for what reason the announcement was made online and not to Parliament. (3008)
- 681 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, which legislative provisions from the Levelling Up and Regeneration Act 2023 have been commenced; which provisions have not been commenced; and whether she plans to commence the remaining provisions. (3009)
- 682 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what her policy is on promoting the use of Local Development Orders by local planning authorities. (3010)
- 683 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will commence the street votes programme through the Levelling Up and Regeneration Act 2023. (3011)

- 684 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make it her policy to bring forward secondary legislation on street naming under the Levelling Up and Regeneration Act 2023; and whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of allowing people to vote on changes to the name of their street. (3012)
- 685 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what plans her Department has to work with the voluntary and community sector to help end homelessness. (3197)
- 686 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what discussions she has had with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on Rough Sleeping Initiative Funding beyond March 2025. (3205)
- 687 **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to increase the supply of social rented homes. (3634)
- 688 **Torsten Bell** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that the remedial work on buildings with (a) faulty cladding systems and (b) defects in compartmentalisation (i) includes independent verification of the (A) suitability and (B) longevity of the solutions and (ii) is otherwise effectively quality assured. (3355)
- 689 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the Renter's Rights Bill, what guidance she plans to issue landlords on ensuring tenants obtain insurance against damage by a pet. (2850)
- 690 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she plans to take to avoid duplicating the provisions of the Decent Homes Standard in the application of Awaab's law. (2851)
- 691 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department plans to take to implement the Supported Housing (Regulatory Oversight) Act 2023. (2852)
- 692 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will take steps to update the Homelessness Reduction Act 2017. (2853)
- 693 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, when she plans to implement the provisions of the Supported Housing (Regulatory Oversight) Act 2023. (2854)

- 694 **Rachel Blake** (Cities of London and Westminster): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will commission independent research into the extent to which repairs to (a) lifts, (b) door entry systems and (c) other communal elements covered by social landlord's annual service charges are being re-charged directly to tenants. (3575)
- 695 **Andrew Cooper** (Mid Cheshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of abolishing leaseholds for existing homeowners. (3526)
- 696 **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will take steps to ensure that up to date population data is used to determine (a) local government, (b) police and (c) fire authority grant funding. [R] (3303)
- 697 **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what estimate her Department has made of the (a) economic growth, (b) new homes and (c) new jobs that will be delivered by the Telford Land Deal; and whether her Department will take steps to extend the scope of the deal to other Government-owned land. [R] (3311)
- 698 **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will allow upper tier councils to increase council tax by a set cash amount. [R] (3312)
- 699 **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what powers combined authorities have to expand; what criteria they need to fulfil to expand; what consent from other public bodies will be required for expansion; and what the timescales are for such expansions. (3319)
- 700 **Carla Denyer** (Bristol Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, when she plans to bring forward legislative proposals on renters' rights. (3388)
- 701 **Mary Glendon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of social housing waiting lists on the capacity of homelessness services. (2896)
- 702 **Mary Glendon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department plans to take to support local authorities to provide temporary accommodation services alongside local authorities' efforts to increase housing supply in line with mandatory house building targets. (2897)
- 703 **Mary Glendon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what recent assessment her Department has made of the sustainability of the homelessness sector. (2898)

- 704 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will have discussions with councils on maintaining free public toilets in (a) towns and (b) villages. (2723)
- 705 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she has had recent discussions with the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs on the potential impact of locating large solar farms on agricultural land. (2736)
- 706 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to include long-term funding for internal drainage boards as part of the local government finance settlement for the 2025-2026 financial year. (2740)
- 707 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what the cost to her Department was of ministerial severance payments in each year from 19 December 2019 to 30 May 2024; which Ministers received a severance payment; and how much each Minister received. (3043)
- 708 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what plans she has to reform the leasehold system for residential property; and whether she has a planned timetable for such reforms. (3163)
- 709 **Uma Kumaran** (Stratford and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will request an update from the Regulator for Social Housing on progress it has made on (a) its investigation into the collective complaint against Clarion House Group submitted by Stratford and Bow constituents in September 2023 and (b) steps taken following the meeting with a group of residents in December 2023. (3607)
- 710 **Uma Kumaran** (Stratford and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the letter from the then Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities to the Chief Executive of Clarion Housing Group of November 2022, regarding maladministration notices and the treatment of its tenants, what steps the then Secretary of State took in response to a petition from tenants of Clarion Housing Group requesting that he ask the Regulator for Social Housing investigate the organisation's poor performance in relation to (a) repairs, (b) services, (c) housing management and (d) value for money. (3608)
- 711 **Uma Kumaran** (Stratford and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the letter from the then Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities to the Chief Executive of Clarion Housing Group of November 2022, regarding maladministration notices and the treatment of its tenants, what steps her Department took to ensure that the Clarion Housing Group improved the standards of its (a) housing management, (b) repairs services and (c) value for money for (i) its residents and (ii) the Exchequer. (3609)

- 712 **Uma Kumaran** (Stratford and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the Written Ministerial Statement of 22 February 2024 on Local Government Stewardship Update, HCWS280, what progress has been made on the Best Value Inspection of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets; and when he expects that inspection to conclude. (3610)
- 713 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what recent discussions her Department has held with Natural England on the effect of nutrient neutrality rules on new housebuilding projects in the River Camel catchment Special Area of Conservation. (3644)
- 714 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what data her Department holds on the (a) number of units of housing stock, (b) population and (c) area in square miles in each local planning authority area. (3412)
- 715 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, If her Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of capping tenant contributions to qualifying works set out in section 6 of the Service Charges (Consultation Requirements) (England) Regulations 2003. (3418)
- 716 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of increasing regulatory scrutiny of private parking companies. (3360)
- 717 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to investigate the causes of delays to the delivery of postal votes during the 2024 General Election. (3368)
- 718 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether the proposed train station in Cheadle will continue. [R] (3385)
- 719 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many people were turned away from polling stations due to lack of voter identification on 4 July 2024. (3150)
- 720 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make it her policy to remove the requirement for photo ID at elections. (3154)
- 721 **Mr Joshua Reynolds** (Maidenhead): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to her Department's report entitled The impact of a change in the maximum park home sale commission, published on 16 June 2022, whether her Department has taken steps to review the efficacy of local authority enforcement for parks; and whether she plans to introduce a national enforcement body. (3641)

- 722 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to regulate services provided by management agencies to leaseholders. (2767)
- 723 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will take steps to ensure that British citizens are prioritised in social housing allocation. (2772)
- 724 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to her Department's press release entitled Expert taskforce to spearhead a new generation of new towns, published on 31 July 2024, what the remuneration for (a) Dame Kate Barker and (b) Sir Michael Lyons is; what the terms of reference were for their appointment; if she will publish any declaration of interests; and whether they have made any declaration of political activity. (3243)
- 725 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to her Department's policy statement on new towns, published on 31 July 2024, what her target is for the number of new homes that will be completed in this Parliament under the New Towns programme. (3244)
- 726 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to her Department's policy statement on new towns, published on 31 July 2024, whether the support of (a) the local planning authority and (b) local MPs will be a requirement for a new town proposal being taken forward. (3245)
- 727 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of ending the Investment Opportunity Fund on trends in (a) domestic growth and (b) direct investment into the UK. (3246)
- 728 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department plans to issue guidance on equality, diversity and inclusion in planning. (3247)
- 729 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what her planning policy is on (a) authorised and (b) unauthorised traveller sites in the Green Belt. (3248)
- 730 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what her policy is on the protection of residential gardens from development. (3249)

- 731 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the answer of 26 July 2024, to Question 1315, on Environmental protection, what her planned timetable is for replacing legacy legislation on environmental assessment with the new outcome reporting regime. (3250)
- 732 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 25 July 2024 to Question 409 on Business Rates, whether she plans to take steps to review business rate (a) poundage, (b) reliefs, (c) multipliers and (d) valuations. (3251)
- 733 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what metrics she plans to use to monitor the building of 1.5 million homes in this Parliament; and whether she will monitor housing (a) starts and (b) completions. (3252)
- 734 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the consultation entitled Proposed reforms to the National Planning Policy Framework and other changes to the planning system, published on 30 July 2024, what (a) changes she plans to make to planning fees and (b) the total planning fees would be for a (i) lawful development certificate and (ii) retrospective planning application for a householder development. (3253)
- 735 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what flags she plans to fly outside her Department other than the Union flag in the next 12 months; and on which days each flag will be flown. (3254)
- 736 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 2 August 2024 to Question 1758 on Social Rented Housing, whether she made an assessment of the potential merits of restricting social housing allocations for people convicted of (a) anti-social behaviour and (b) terrorism. (3255)
- 737 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the King's Speech on 17 July 2024, who would be responsible for determining the sale price of a property under a Community Right to Buy right. (3256)
- 738 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to hold further rounds of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund. (3257)
- 739 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of creating more (a) town and (b) parish councils. (3258)

- 740 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what estimate her Department has made of the number of planning officers needed to manage Development Consent Orders for the energy infrastructure under the 2030 decarbonisation target. (3259)
- 741 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether civil servants in her Department are required to be in the office for at least 60% of their work time. (3260)
- 742 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, when she will publish the new devolution framework for England. (3261)
- 743 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, when she will publish the consultation on the scope and content of National Development Management Policies. (3262)
- 744 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she has made an assessment of the potential impact of her proposed regulatory changes on the private rented sector in relation to (a) the level of rents for new tenancies, and (b) the supply of homes available on the market for private rent. (3263)
- 745 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, when the recruitment of 300 new planning officers will begin. (3264)
- 746 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether it is her policy to (a) maintain or (b) change the 10-unit threshold for affordable housing. (3265)
- 747 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what guidance her Department issues on the planning classification of a disused (a) petrol station and (b) car park as (i) brownfield and(ii) greenfield land. (3266)
- 748 **Melanie Ward** (Cowdenbeath and Kirkcaldy): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to commission a lessons learned review with local authorities following the late arrival of postal votes in the 2024 General Election. (3560)
- 749 **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to provide funding for homelessness services following the end of the Rough Sleeping Initiative funding in April 2025. (3235)

- 750 **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help tackle barriers to (a) accommodation, (b) employment and (c) education for people on Ukraine scheme visas unable to (i) enter into contracts and (ii) start courses beyond their existing visa. (3239)
- 751 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to page 17 of the Kings Speech 2024 background briefing notes, published on 17 July 2024, what her planned timetable is for delivering proposed reforms to compulsory purchase compensation rules. (3108)
- 752 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to her Department's open consultation entitled proposed reforms to the National Planning Policy Framework and other changes to the planning system, published on 2 August 2024, what steps she plans to take to help local authorities promote healthy living. (3109)
- 753 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to her Department's open consultation entitled proposed reforms to the National Planning Policy Framework and other changes to the planning system, published on 2 August 2024, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of extending compulsory purchase compensation rules to allow local authorities to procure land for use as (a) parks and (b) playing fields. (3110)
- 754 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure prisoners do not become homeless upon release. (3208)
- 755 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the average time has been for county courts to (a) accept, (b) consider, (c) process and (d) enforce possession cases brought by residential private landlords via Section 8 of the Housing Act 1988 in the last 12 months. (2848)
- 756 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will make an estimate of the projected average time for county courts to (a) accept, (b) consider, (c) process and (d) enforce possession cases brought by residential private landlords once Section 21 repossessions end. (2849)
- 757 **Phil Brickell** (Bolton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing opportunities for young people in the secure estate to participate in The Duke of Edinburgh's Award. (3410)
- 758 **Julia Buckley** (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, when her Department plans to publish a response to the Law Commission report entitled Celebrating Marriage: A New Weddings Law, published in July 2022. (3492)

- 759 **Mary Glendon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what information her Department holds on the number of foreign nationals living overseas who were in receipt of (a) non-means and (b) non-merits tested legal aid in 2023. (2893)
- 760 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the cost to her Department was of ministerial severance payments in each year from 19 December 2019 to 30 May 2024; which Ministers received a severance payment; and how much each Minister received. (3044)
- 761 **Afzal Khan** (Manchester Rusholme): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many prisoners are being held under Imprisonment for the Public Protection sentences in HMP (a) Buckley Hall, (b) Forest Bank, (c) Hindley and (d) Manchester. (3071)
- 762 **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment she has made of the need for reform of sentence progression for prisoners who remain in custody on historic Imprisonment for Public Protection sentences who have served their minimum terms. (2927)
- 763 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps her Department is taking to reduce the backlog of cases within the probate service. (3370)
- 764 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will bring forward legislative proposals to create a specific civil remedy of modern slavery. (3374)
- 765 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment she has made of the implications for her policies of the financial impact of outsourcing within prisons. (3151)
- 766 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how much her Department spent on communications in the last year for which data is available. (3078)
- 767 **Josh Simons** (Makerfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what her planned timetable is for the expansion of HMP Hindley. (3329)
- 768 **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the average cost was of (a) a prison place, (b) the supervision of a person on licence following release from prison and (c) the delivery of a community order by the Probation Service in the latest 12 month period for which data is available. (3546)
- 769 **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the scope will be of her Department's strategic review of probation governance. (3547)
- 770 **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will take steps to help ensure that the probation service works closely with other services critical to reducing reoffending. (3548)

- 771 **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the work of the prison and probation services work with (a) smaller organisations that cannot easily compete for commissioned contracts and (b) other third sector organisations involved in reducing reoffending. (3549)
- 772 **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the average caseload of probation officers in England and Wales was in each of the last ten years for which figures are available. (3550)
- 773 **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many recalls to prison there were of people on licence in England and Wales in each of the last ten years for which figures are available; and what plans she has to reduce the number of recalls to prison. (3551)
- 774 **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what plans she has to work with Secretary of State for Health and Social Care to help reduce reoffending by people in the criminal justice system. (3552)
- 775 **Mohammad Yasin** (Bedford): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether her Department plans to (a) review and (b) reform civil legal aid. (3013)
- 776 **Alex Burghart** (Brentwood and Ongar): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, if he will publish his request to the Court of Appeal in Northern Ireland for extra time to consider the ruling in the case of Geraldine Finucane v Secretary of State for Northern Ireland. (3049)
- 777 **Alex Burghart** (Brentwood and Ongar): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, if he will publish the letter from Sir Iain Livingstone on the discovery of new documents relevant to Operation Kenova. (3051)
- 778 **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, pursuant to the Answer of 30 July 2024 to Question 1169 on Independent Commission for Reconciliation and Information Recovery, how many times he has requested a review of (a) a Troubles-related death under section 9(3) of the Northern Ireland Troubles (Legacy and Reconciliation) Act 2023 and (b) harmful conduct under section 10(2) of that Act since 1 May 2024. (3406)
- 779 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South and Mid Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what recent discussions has he had with the (a) NI Executive and (b) Police Service of Northern Ireland on anti-immigration disorder and violence in Belfast in August 2024. (3191)
- 780 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what the cost to his Department was of ministerial severance payments in each year from 19 December 2019 to 30 May 2024; which Ministers received a severance payment; and how much each Minister received. (3045)

- 781 **Sammy Wilson** (East Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what discussions he has had with the EU on the potential impact of the General Product Safety Regulations on trade between Great Britain and Northern Ireland. (2793)
- 782 **Sammy Wilson** (East Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the potential impact of the General Product Safety Regulations on trade between Great Britain and Northern Ireland. (2794)
- 783 **Sammy Wilson** (East Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what discussions he has had with the Northern Ireland Executive on the potential impact of the General Product Safety Regulations on trade between Great Britain and Northern Ireland. (2795)
- 784 **Rachel Blake** (Cities of London and Westminster): To ask the Prime Minister, whether he will appoint an Anti-Corruption Champion. (3572)
- 785 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Prime Minister, what the Government's policy is on appointing (a) sitting hon. Members and (b) Peers as non-executive board members of Departments. (3670)
- 786 **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, what plans he has to work with the Scottish Government to support and increase engineering apprenticeships in Scotland. (3592)
- 787 **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, what plans he has to work with the Scottish Cities Alliance. (3593)
- 788 **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, what plans he has to work with the Scottish Government to improve (a) rail and (b) ferry provision in (i) Fife and (ii) Scotland. (3594)
- 789 **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, what plans he has to work with the Scottish Government to improve services for veterans in (a) Dunfermline and Dollar constituency and (b) Scotland. (3595)
- 790 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, what the cost to his Department was of ministerial severance payments in each year from 19 December 2019 to 30 May 2024; which Ministers received a severance payment; and how much each Minister received. (3047)
- 791 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, what steps he plans to take to improve broadband access and connection speed in rural Scotland. (3361)

- 792 **Gareth Bacon** (Orpington): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the Answer of 18 October 2023 to Question 201370 on Apprentices: Finance, how she plans to fund the policy of allowing levy-paying companies to retain 50% of their contributions under the Growth and Skills levy. (3143)
- 793 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of limiting winter fuel allowance on pensioners that are (a) eligible for but not claiming pension credit and (b) just above the eligibility threshold for pension credit. (3204)
- 794 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment her Department has made of trends in the level of wealth inequality. (3215)
- 795 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what her planned timetable for increasing the rate at which the Energy Profits Levy is charged. (3674)
- 796 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what her planned timetable is for ending the investment allowance within the Energy Profits Levy. (3675)
- 797 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of removing the VAT exemption on independent school fees on deployed armed forces personnel and their families. (3017)
- 798 **Alex Burghart** (Brentwood and Ongar): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether the appointment of Ian Corfield as Director of Investment was through open competition. (3052)
- 799 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool Walton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential implications for her policies of the Institute of Alcohol Studies' article entitled £27.4 billion cost of alcohol harm in England every year, published on 20 May 2024. (3060)
- 800 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a national framework inclusion strategy on accessible and inclusive banking. (3339)
- 801 **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of reducing the onward interest charge of the Public Works Loan Board to local councils on (a) housing growth, (b) economic growth, (c) job creation and (d) local government viability. (3320)
- 802 **Dame Caroline Dinenage** (Gosport): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate her Department has made of the number of households in Gosport constituency who are (a) eligible for and (b) not in receipt of pension credit. (2857)

- 803 **Dame Caroline Dinenage** (Gosport): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate her Department has made of the number of households in Gosport constituency who will lose their winter fuel payment. (2858)
- 804 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the report entitled UK Payment Markets Report, published by UK Finance in July 2024, what discussions she has had with (a) Cabinet colleagues, (b) financial institutions and (c) business groups on (i) trends in the numbers of and (ii) support for UK adults who mainly use cash for transactions. (3117)
- 805 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will publish the equality impact assessment for changes to winter fuel payment entitlement. (3120)
- 806 **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment her Department has made of the implications for her policies of differences in inheritance tax thresholds for people (a) with and (b) without children; and if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of such thresholds on saving for adult care costs. (3095)
- 807 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what the terms of reference for the appointment of the proposed Covid corruption commissioner are. (2871)
- 808 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she has made a recent assessment of the potential impact of removing Value Added Tax for (a) wheelchairs and (b) defibrillators on access to those devices. (2730)
- 809 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether (a) music schools, (b) dance schools and (c) Centres for Advanced Training will be exempt from VAT after January 2025. (2815)
- 810 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether families in receipt of funding for attending a specialist school through the Music and Dance Scheme will be exempt from paying VAT on the remainder of those fees. (2816)
- 811 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what the average time was for an organisation to become VAT registered with HMRC in the last 12 months. (2831)
- 812 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will publish guidance for independent schools on (a) VAT registration and (b) operation of the new system for VAT on school fees. (2832)
- 813 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what resources her Department plans to provide HMRC to support independent schools become VAT registered by 1 January 2025. (2833)

- 814 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what the cost to her Department was of ministerial severance payments in each year from 19 December 2019 to 30 May 2024; which Ministers received a severance payment in that period; and how much each Minister received. (3040)
- 815 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of (a) restricting early repayment charges on debt to benefit customers and (b) encouraging early repayment. (3177)
- 816 **Adam Joglee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much tax was taken on the interest accrued on Russian assets frozen in UK banks in each of the last five years. (3454)
- 817 **Adam Joglee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what discussions she has had with (a) Staffordshire County Council and (b) Newcastle-under-Lyme Borough Council on their potential role in increasing the number of people claiming pension credit in Newcastle-under-Lyme constituency. (3458)
- 818 **Adam Joglee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an estimate of the number of pay to use ATMs in Newcastle-under-Lyme constituency. (3471)
- 819 **Adam Joglee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will take steps to increase access to cash in Newcastle-under-Lyme constituency. (3472)
- 820 **Adam Joglee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate she has had made of the number of people in Newcastle-under-Lyme constituency eligible for but not in receipt of pension credit. (3481)
- 821 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool Riverside): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the report by the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman entitled Women's State Pension age: our findings on injustice and associated issues, published on 21 March 2024, HC 638, what discussions she has had with the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions on that report. (3185)
- 822 **Kim Leadbeater** (Spennings Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she has plans to review and update the Overseas Scale Rates. (3272)
- 823 **Graham Leadbitter** (Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if her Department will make an assessment of the potential (a) merits of introducing (i) an increased personal tax allowance, (ii) a tax code adjustment and (iii) other tax incentives for charity volunteers and (b) impact of such incentives on the (A) recruitment and (B) retention of such volunteers (1) in rural areas and (2) nationally. (3600)
- 824 **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of increasing 16 to 19 funding to colleges to help fund pay deals. (2954)

- 825 **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential (a) merits, (b) costs and (c) viability of establishing a financial compensation scheme for taxpayers who did not receive government financial support during the covid-19 pandemic. (2926)
- 826 **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps she is taking to support the Voluntary Community and Social Enterprise sector groups fulfilling local service needs. (2929)
- 827 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many businesses have a taxable turnover of (a) £85,000-£89,999 and (b) £90,000-£95,000; and if she will make a cost-benefit analysis of the VAT threshold for businesses. (3446)
- 828 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what the cost to the public purse was of the Bounce Back Loans scheme; what proportion of the loans have been (a) returned and (b) written off; and whether all data related to the scheme has been recorded in OSCAR II. (3447)
- 829 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the report by the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman entitled Women's State Pension age: our findings on injustice and associated issues, published on 21 March 2024, whether she has made an estimate of the cost of providing financial redress to impacted women in (a) North Cornwall constituency and (b) the UK. (3645)
- 830 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if her Department will make an (a) estimate of the potential costs and (b) assessment of the potential merits of extending inheritance tax relief to long-term cohabiting and co-dependent siblings. (3433)
- 831 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether the proposed removal of the VAT exemption for private school fees will include tuition centres that provide (a) only after school and weekend services and (b) full time services. (3387)
- 832 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the financial impact of changes to pensioners' eligibility for the Winter Fuel Allowance on pensioners in (a) Aldridge-Brownhills constituency and (b) the UK. (2910)
- 833 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing financial support measures for pensioners who are no longer eligible for Winter Fuel Payments. (2912)
- 834 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much her Department spent on communications in the last year for which data is available. (3072)

- 835 **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing citizens with a breakdown of what proportion of their tax payments are invested into each sector of the economy. (2971)
- 836 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential (a) merits of extending First Time Buyers' Relief after March 2025 and (b) impact of not extending First Time Buyers' Relief after March 2025 on first time buyers. (2873)
- 837 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she has made an assessment of (a) the impact of share buybacks on economic inequality and (b) the potential impact of a targeted tax on this issue. (3396)
- 838 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of implementing a share buyback tax. (3397)
- 839 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of abolishing the Furnished Holiday Lettings regime on rural areas depending on tourism; and what steps she is taking to support people who let short-term furnished holiday properties. (3404)
- 840 **Mark Pritchard** (The Wrekin): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will take steps to support farm owners to (a) diversify their businesses and (b) improve their financial security by providing accommodation for furnished holiday lettings on their farms. (2789)
- 841 **Shivani Raja** (Leicester East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the potential impact on the (a) financial and (b) physical well-being of pensioners who will be ineligible for Winter Fuel Payments under eligibility criteria to be introduced from winter 2024-25; and what steps she plans to take to mitigate any potential negative impact on those affected. (3342)
- 842 **Shivani Raja** (Leicester East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps she is taking to ensure that changes to Winter Fuel Payments do not disproportionately affect pensioners in colder regions of the UK; and how regional variations in winter heating costs were considered in the decision to make those changes. (3343)
- 843 **Shivani Raja** (Leicester East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps she plans to take to communicate the changes to Winter Fuel Payments to people affected; and what support she plans to provide to help pensioners (a) understand their eligibility and (b) access alternative support. (3344)
- 844 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if her Department will grant heat batteries Energy Saving Material status. (2769)
- 845 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps she is taking to help ensure that high street banks and building societies are incentivised to provide bank hubs. (2771)

- 846 **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he plans to increase business rates. (3658)
- 847 **Peter Swallow** (Bracknell): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the Post-implementation review of the travel insurance signposting rules for consumers with medical conditions, published by the Financial Conduct Authority on 11 April 2024, what progress the Authority has made on implementation of the next steps. (3448)
- 848 **Adam Thompson** (Erewash): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the viability of an amendment to section 180(1)(a) of the Income Tax (Earnings and Pensions) Act 2003, to increase the maximum value of employer loans in the context of levels of inflation since the last increase. (3323)
- 849 **Martin Vickers** (Brigg and Immingham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what fiscal steps she is taking to help attract foreign direct investment into green industries in the (a) Humber and (b) UK. (2807)
- 850 **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate she has made of the number of people in South Devon constituency who will be affected by the decision to change eligibility requirements for the winter fuel payment. (3541)
- 851 **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment has been made of the potential impact of the decision to change eligibility requirements for the winter fuel payment on the public purse. (3542)
- 852 **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the feasibility of expanding eligibility for the winter fuel payment to include low-income households not in receipt of Pension Credit. (3543)
- 853 **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what contractual penalties will be incurred by (a) the A303 Stonehenge tunnel, (b) the A27 bypass project and (c) other major infrastructure projects that have now been cancelled. (3544)
- 854 **James Wild** (North West Norfolk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the statement issued by the Prime Minister's office of 27 July 2024, if she will publish the evidential basis behind the assessment of the state of the UK's economy and public services. (3129)
- 855 **Pete Wishart** (Perth and Kinross-shire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps her Department plans to take to determine how the National Wealth Fund will be spent; and whether she plans to hold discussions with the devolved Administrations on such decisions. (2745)
- 856 **Pete Wishart** (Perth and Kinross-shire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether the devolved Administrations will have a role in determining where the National Wealth Fund is spent in those nations. (2746)

- 857 **Pete Wishart** (Perth and Kinross-shire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent discussions she has had with the Scottish Government on the administration of the National Wealth Fund. (2747)
- 858 **Pete Wishart** (Perth and Kinross-shire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much and what proportion of the National Wealth Fund will be allocated to (a) Scotland, (b) England, (c) Wales and (d) Northern Ireland. (2748)
- 859 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, what the cost to her Department was of ministerial severance payments in each year from 19 December 2019 to 30 May 2024; which Ministers received a severance payment in that period; and how much each Minister received. (3048)
- 860 **Dr Beccy Cooper** (Worthing West): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what the planned timetable is for bringing forward a draft bill to ban conversion practices. (3613)
- 861 **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, if she will take steps is to promote (a) wider and (b) more accessible footpath access in (i) parks and (ii) other public spaces. (2931)
- 862 **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, if she will take steps to (a) support and (b) promote the adoption of larger (i) changing room and (ii) toilet facilities on private business premises. (2932)

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- 1N **Dave Doogan** (Angus and Perthshire Glens): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what discussions he has had with the devolved Administrations on the format of payments from the infected blood compensation scheme; whether he has had discussions with each devolved Administration on their presumed approach in terms of lump-sum versus monthly payments; and what assessment his Department has made of each devolved Administration's presumed approach. (3091)
- 2 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, when he plans to move the Contracts Finder webpage on gov.uk out of beta status. (2869)
- 3 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what meetings he has had with people who have donated to the Labour Party in the last 12 months since the general election. (2872)
- 4 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether there is an embargo on spare parts for foreign cars. (3671)

- 5N **Sir Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what his policy is on the (a) freeport approved for the Solent area and (b) freeports programme. (2702)
- 6N **Chris McDonald** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, when he plans to review the list of critical minerals; what criteria he plans to use to assess which materials will be included; and if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of including copper. (3390)
- 7N **Chris McDonald** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he has made a comparative assessment of the (a) effectiveness and (b) extent of the UK's list of critical minerals and the list used by (a) the European Union and (ii) other jurisdictions. (3391)
- 8N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of devolving (a) the Post Office in Wales and (b) his Departmental powers to Wales. (2965)
- 9N **Laurence Turner** (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether the draft Audit Reform and Corporate Governance Bill will contain measures to improve the quality of the auditing of public sector bodies. (3555)
- 10N **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has plans to increase the (a) monitoring and (b) oversight of community interest companies that are engaged in regulated activity with children and vulnerable adults. (3202)
- 11N **Siân Berry** (Brighton Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, for what reason the 2024-25 pay award does not apply to teachers in (a) sixth form and (b) further education colleges; and if she will make it her policy to apply the award to those teachers. (3627)
- 12N **Julia Buckley** (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent discussions she has had with Shropshire Council on the adequacy of (a) funding for and (b) delivery of SEND services. (3497)
- 13N **Rosie Duffield** (Canterbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of extending the Adult Skills Fund to cover learning (a) primarily and (b) solely for leisure purposes. (3053)
- 14N **Anneliese Midgley** (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many people from Knowsley constituency have studied A levels in another local authority in each of the last 10 years. (3293)
- 15N **Anneliese Midgley** (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the average funding per pupil was in mainstream schools in (a) Knowsley constituency, (b) Merseyside, (c) the North West and (d) England in each of the last ten years. (3294)

- 16N **Dave Doogan** (Angus and Perthshire Glens): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what estimate his Department has made of changes in the number of jobs in the (a) oil and (b) gas Sector (i) and (ii) in Scotland in each of the next 30 years. (3089)
- 17N **Dave Doogan** (Angus and Perthshire Glens): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent estimate he has made of the relative costs per km of (a) overhead, (b) underground and (c) offshore electricity transmission cables. (3090)
- 18N **Mark Garnier** (Wyre Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the Great British Energy founding statement, published on 25 July 2024, whether he plans that every project invested in by Great British Energy will make a return by 2030. (2876)
- 19N **Mark Garnier** (Wyre Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he plans to continue the construction of new Carbon Capture, Usage and Storage sites. (2877)
- 20N **Mark Garnier** (Wyre Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will take steps with Cabinet colleagues to require (a) FTSE 100 companies and (b) financial services firms to (i) develop green transition plans and (ii) publish a timetable for doing this. (2880)
- 21N **Mark Garnier** (Wyre Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what plans his Department has to reduce its energy usage. (2881)
- 22N **Mary Glendon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of means testing the winter fuel payment on levels of fuel poverty in the winter of 2024-25. (2891)
- 23N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what estimate he has made of the number of homeowners unable to sell their home due to the installation of spray foam insulation. (2959)
- 24N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to (a) ensure that the installation of spray foam insulation is regulated and (b) support homeowners unable to sell their homes due to the installation of that insulation. (2960)
- 25N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he plans to reform the surplus sharing arrangements for the British Coal Staff Superannuation Scheme. (2836)
- 26N **Joy Morrissey** (Beaconsfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what plans his Department has to consult local residents prior to the approval of (a) solar farms and (b) onshore wind farms. (3097)

- 27N **Joy Morrissey** (Beaconsfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether the new chair of Great British Energy was appointed through open competition; what his remuneration is; and what provisions have been put in place to prevent potential conflicts of interest. (3098)
- 28N **Julia Buckley** (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he plans to take to increase the flood resilience of the river Severn in the Shrewsbury area. (3495)
- 29N **Laurence Turner** (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 26 July 2024 to Question 266 on Roads: Birmingham and with reference to deposited paper DEP2024-0567, if she will place a copy of her Department's decision letter to Birmingham City Council dated 30 November 2023 in the House of Commons Library. (3554)
- 30N **Julia Buckley** (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what date people must submit a pension credit claim by to qualify for the 2024 winter fuel allowance. (3490)
- 31N **Mary Glendon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent progress her Department has made on increasing the uptake of Pension Credit. (2889)
- 32N **Mary Glendon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate her Department has made of the additional resources it will need to means test winter fuel payments. (2890)
- 33N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an estimate of the number and proportion of people previously in receipt of the winter fuel payment who will no longer be eligible to receive it in each (a) local authority and (b) constituency. (3167)
- 34N **Laurence Turner** (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether Access to Work applicants can contact that service in writing (3558)
- 35N **Victoria Atkins** (Louth and Horncastle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many civil servants who are not special advisers he has appointed without open competition since the general election. (2936)
- 36N **Victoria Atkins** (Louth and Horncastle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has appointed civil servants who (a) previously (i) worked for and (ii) were seconded to the Labour Party, (b) previously donated to the Labour Party and (c) have been Labour parliamentarians since the general election. (2937)
- 37N **Victoria Atkins** (Louth and Horncastle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what (a) non-executive directors, (b) other direct ministerial appointees and (c) other public appointees in his Department have left their posts since the general

election; what (a) direct ministerial and (b) other public appointments his Department has made since the general election; and if he will publish any political activity declared by each appointee. (2938)

38N **Victoria Atkins** (Louth and Horncastle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his department has made an assessment of the potential impact of the removal of the Winter Fuel Payment for pensioners not in receipt of a means tested benefits on the NHS. (2939)

39N **Victoria Atkins** (Louth and Horncastle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his department has made of the adequacy of the UK's preparedness for (a) mpox and (b) future outbreaks and pandemics. (2940)

40N **Saqib Bhatti** (Meriden and Solihull East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made an assessment of the potential value for money of providing financial incentives for GPs to deliver continuity of care. (3178)

41N **Saqib Bhatti** (Meriden and Solihull East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made an assessment of the potential value for money of including GPs in the Additional Roles Reimbursement Scheme (3179)

42N **Saqib Bhatti** (Meriden and Solihull East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, at what proportion of NHS spending he plans to set funding for GPs. (3180)

43N **Saqib Bhatti** (Meriden and Solihull East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve access to dentistry in rural areas. (3181)

44N **Saqib Bhatti** (Meriden and Solihull East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to respond to the consultation on the provisional registration for overseas-qualified dentists. (3182)

45N **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Stamford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the availability of medication for Parkinson's disease produced by Teva Pharmaceuticals. (3157)

46N **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what (a) discussions he has had with his counterpart in Bangladesh and (b) diplomatic steps his Department is taking to help protect the Hindu minority in Bangladesh. (3200)

47N **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the level of religious-based violence against minorities in Bangladesh following the collapse of Sheikh Hasina's government. (3201)

- 48N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with UNWRA since the publication of the Final Report of the Independent Review of Mechanisms and Procedures to Ensure Adherence by UNRWA to the Humanitarian Principle of Neutrality, published on 20 April 2024 on their vetting procedures. (2915)
- 49N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much is budgeted for aid to India in this financial year. (3166)
- 50N **Andy Slaughter** (Hammersmith and Chiswick): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will take steps to update the guidance by his Department entitled Overseas Business Risk: Israel section, published on 16 June 2023, to include (a) reference to the publication and (b) an assessment of the implications of the Advisory Opinion of the International Court of Justice entitled Legal consequences arising from the policies and practices of Israel in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, published on 19 July 2024. (2778)
- 51 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how much funding her Department has provided to protect places of worship for each religion in each of the last five years. (3672)
- 52N **Julia Buckley** (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the Ninth Report of Session 2021–22 of the Home Affairs Select Committee entitled Spiking, HC967, whether her Department plans to follow the recommendations of that report. (3496)
- 53N **Anneliese Midgley** (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she hold discussions with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on the potential merits of providing multi-year funding to (a) The First Step in Knowsley and (b) other organisations that seek to protect the safety of women and girls. (3298)
- 54N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the Migration Advisory Committee's planned timetable is for completing its review of the financial requirements in the family immigration rules. (2835)
- 55 **Dame Caroline Dinenage** (Gosport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he plans to review his Department's 2023–24 pay settlement to employees of the Royal Fleet Auxiliary. (3668)
- 56N **Sir Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of reports of the outsourcing by a commercial subcontractor of work to coders based in Belarus; what remedial steps he has taken; whether he has made changes to his Department's procedures; and whether sanctions have been imposed. (2701)

- 57N **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, when she plans to respond to the correspondence from the Rt Hon. Member for North West Essex of 13 July 2024 on Parliamentary boundaries. (2972)
- 58N **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether (a) she and (b) her special advisers have held discussions with representatives of (i) Sovereign Strategy and (ii) Pentland Communications since the general election. (2973)
- 59N **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many meetings Ministers in her Department have had with (a) Labour, (b) Liberal Democrat and (c) Conservative councillors since the general election. (2974)
- 60N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she plans to take to prevent bidding wars in the private rented sector; and when she plans to bring forward the Renters' Rights Bill. (2961)
- 61N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to prevent private rented landlords from seeking rents above the advertised price. (2962)
- 62N **Laurence Turner** (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the report entitled Value for money and accountability: a report on the Birmingham City Council section 114 bankruptcy, published by Sheffield University's Audit Reform Lab on 19 August 2024, if her Department will make an assessment of the (a) findings and (b) recommendations of that report. [R] (3553)
- 63N **Christine Jardine** (Edinburgh West): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether a person remanded in custody is prevented from receiving (a) visits and (b) phone-calls from next-of-kin if they have been arrested under counter-terrorism legislation but not charged with terror-related offences. (3057)
- 64N **Robin Swann** (South Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what recent discussions he has had with the Minister for Communities in Northern Ireland on the potential impact of changes to the eligibility criteria for the Winter Fuel Payment on people in Northern Ireland. (3630)
- 65 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether his Department has issued guidance to Ministers on declaring (a) trade union membership, (b) general election donations and (c) constituency association donations in the List of Ministers' Interests. (2870)

- 66N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she plans to review the Equitable Life payment scheme. (2966)
- 67N **Mary Glendon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to page 9 of the policy paper entitled Fixing the foundations: Public spending audit 2024-25, published on 29 July 2024, what estimate her Department made of the level of uptake of Pension Credit in the (a) 2024-25 and (b) 2025-26 financial year. (2892)
- 68N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether (a) a single pensioner aged 90 on £218.16 per week and (b) a pensioner couple aged 90 on £332.96 per week who (i) own their own home, (ii) have no savings and (iii) are in receipt of no other benefits will continue to receive winter fuel payments. (3165)
- 69N **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 it her policy to publish data on average take home pay for young people working full-time on the minimum wage in (a) cash terms and (b) adjusted for inflation. (3172)
- 70N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 25 July 2024 to Question 1813 on Public Expenditure, what the overspend was in each Departmental budget at the end of (a) July and (b) August 2024. (3173)
- 71N **Laura Trott** (Sevenoaks): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 29 July 2024 to Question 1370 on Public Finances, if she will publish assumptions made by the Government's (a) special advisers and (b) Ministers used as the basis for financial estimates on the last Administration's policies and spending decisions, set out in the Command Paper entitled Fixing the foundations. (3116)

Questions for Answer on Thursday 5 September

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Mr Clive Betts** (Sheffield South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what the budget to fund UK participants at the 2024 Paris (a) Olympic and (b) Paralympic games was from 2020; and what the proposed budget is for UK participants at the 2028 Los Angeles (a) Olympic and (b) Paralympic games. (2744)
- 2N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of supporting maintained nursery schools. (2969)

- 3N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the provision of maintained nursery schools in (a) Wandsworth and (b) England. (2970)
- 4N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Epping Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made an assessment of the potential impact of VAT on school fees on state school capacity in (a) Epping Forest constituency and (b) England. (3219)
- 5N **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he is taking steps to reduce the cost of export health certificates for fish. (3341)
- 6N **Sarah Green** (Chesham and Amersham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department holds information on the number of local authorities that have offered (a) loans and (b) grants to encourage the purchase of wheelchair accessible taxis and private hire vehicles. (3269)
- 7N **Sarah Green** (Chesham and Amersham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what information her Department holds on (a) schemes and (b) initiatives to fund wheelchair accessible taxis and private hire vehicles. (3270)
- 8N **Sarah Green** (Chesham and Amersham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to increase the number of wheelchair accessible taxis and private hire vehicles in Buckinghamshire. (3271)
- 9N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people were denied Bereavement Support Payments in (a) 2024 and (b) 2023. (2922)
- 10N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people were denied Bereavement Support Payments in (a) 2024 and (b) 2023 due to their deceased partner not having made the necessary national insurance contributions. (2923)
- 11N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to her Department's strategy entitled Fighting Fraud in the Welfare System: Going Further, updated on 13 May 2024, whether she plans to continue the roll out of alerts telling carers that they have a possible overpayment of Carer's Allowance. (3104)
- 12N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department plans to reduce the (a) number and (b) size of Carer's Allowance overpayments. (3105)
- 13N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department plans to review the (a) level, (b) eligibility criteria and (c) processes of Carer's Allowance. (3106)

- 14N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Epping Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether she has made an estimate of the number of pensioners who will have winter fuel payment withdrawn in (a) Epping Forest constituency and (b) England. (3220)
- 15N **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions his Department has had with the interim government in Bangladesh. (3199)
- 16N **Mr Clive Betts** (Sheffield South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with his Israeli counterpart about recent Israeli military activity in the West Bank. (2742)
- 17N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to his Oral Statement of 19 July 2024 on Israel and Gaza, Official Report, column 301, what discussions he has had with representatives of UNRWA on the management reforms recommended in the Final Report of the Independent Review of Mechanisms and Procedures to Ensure Adherence by UNRWA to the Humanitarian Principle of Neutrality, published on 20 April 2024, that will be supported by UK funding. (2916)
- 18N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had discussions with his international counterparts in countries that provide donations to UNRWA on the reforms recommended in the Final Report of the Independent Review of Mechanisms and Procedures to Ensure Adherence by UNRWA to the Humanitarian Principle of Neutrality, published on 20 April 2024. (2917)
- 19N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with representatives of UNRWA on the management reforms it has implemented as a result of the Final Report of the Independent Review of Mechanisms and Procedures to Ensure Adherence by UNRWA to the Humanitarian Principle of Neutrality, published on 20 April 2024. (2918)
- 20N **Mr Clive Betts** (Sheffield South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many units of accommodation in the (a) private and (b) social housing sector have combustible cladding; on how many such units is work under way to remove such cladding; and how many such units have no such work planned. (2743)
- 21N **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to ensure that investment in social rented housing will be prioritised for communities with (a) lower levels of social rented housing stock and (b) high levels of need. (3340)

- 22N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that the presumption of contact at the Family Court does not result in unsafe contact arrangements. (2967)
- 23N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether she plans to review the recommendations of the Final Report on Assessing Risk of Harm to Children and Parents in Private Law Children Cases. (2968)
- 24N **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what discussions her Department has had with the (a) Department for Work & Pensions and (b) Local Government Association on the Household Support Fund. (3203)
- 25N **Sarah Green** (Chesham and Amersham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of reducing early access penalty for lifetime ISAs from 25% to 20%. (3267)
- 26N **Sarah Green** (Chesham and Amersham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of increasing the lifetime ISA property value limit. (3268)

Questions for Answer on Monday 9 September

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Gareth Bacon** (Orpington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent assessment he has made of the potential merits of implementing proposals for a growth and skills levy. (3139)
- 2N **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department is taking steps to provide support to people who were subject to forced adoption between 1940 and 1970. (3654)
- 3N **Tom Gordon** (Harrogate and Knaresborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what plans she has to tackle the issue of taxis licensed by one taxi licensing authority operating in the area of another taxi licensing authority. (3285)
- 4N **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she plans to take to support pensioners suffering from long-term illnesses who are not eligible for pension credit in the winter. (3656)

- 5N **Graham Leadbitter** (Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether it is her policy to keep the allocations of funding set out in her Department's guidance on Levelling Up Fund Round 3: explanatory and methodology note on the decision-making process, published on 20 November 2023. (3603)
- 6N **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to financially protect leaseholding pensioners in independent retirement living facilities from (a) maintenance and (b) ground rents. (3655)
- 7N **Graham Leadbitter** (Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the policy paper entitled Our Long-Term Plan for Towns, published on 1 October 2023, whether it is her policy to continue the £20 million endowment-style fund for each town. (3602)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 10 September

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment she has made of the adequacy of SEND provision in (a) Epsom and Ewell constituency and (b) Surrey; and what steps she plans to take with Surrey County Council to help improve their delivery of SEND services. (3637)
- 2N **Gordon McKee** (Glasgow South): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many dentists his Department employs to provide care to military personnel in Scotland. (3522)
- 3N **Gordon McKee** (Glasgow South): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will implement the remaining provisions of Leasehold and Freehold Reform Act 2024. (3523)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 11 September

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Tom Gordon** (Harrogate and Knaresborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people received NHS treatment for dissociative identity disorder in each of the last five years; and which NHS Hospital Trusts offer this treatment. (3284)

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- 2N **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Stamford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, until what date the Community ownership fund will remain open; and if her Department will extend that fund beyond 31 March 2025. (3156)
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Questions for Answer on Thursday 12 September

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Stamford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether children in independent schools on waiting lists for an educational, health and care plan assessment will have VAT added to school fees. (3155)
- 2N **Yuan Yang** (Earley and Woodley): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of amending the three years eligibility period for home fees for (a) UK nationals returning from abroad and (b) British Nationals Overseas passport-holders. (3589)
- 3N **Rachel Blake** (Cities of London and Westminster): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what information her Department holds on the number of short-term lets in Cities of London and Westminster constituency. (3576)
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Questions for Answer on Wednesday 9 October

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to help ensure that new housing is (a) of high quality, (b) highly energy efficient and (c) built to zero carbon standards. (3400)