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Questions for Answer on Monday 7 October

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 2 September 2024, to Question 2632, on Civil Service: Staff, whether he has a target (a) headcount and (b) FTE size for the civil service. (5742)
- 2 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, Pursuant to the answer of 6 September 2024 to Question 2639 on Civil Servants: Recruitment and Training, what guidance (a) the Government Equalities Office, (b) his Department and (c) the Government People Group has issued to Departments on reducing consultancy spending on equality, diversity and inclusion. (5743)
- 3 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, Pursuant to the answer of 6 September 2024, to Question 2630, on Government Departments: Communication, what the timetable is for the review of planned government communications and marketing. (5744)
- 4 **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether people with hepatitis B who have not received (a) a lump sum and (b) regular payments from a support scheme will be entitled to an award under the Infected Blood Compensation Scheme. (5780)
- 5 **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether people with hepatitis B are eligible to claim through the Infected Blood Compensation Scheme for financial loss due to (a) the inability to work full time and (b) not receiving regular support scheme payments. (5781)

- 6 **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he has made an assessment of the adequacy of the representation of people with hepatitis B in the Infected Blood Inquiry. (5782)
- 7 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of a cross-government independent advisory body to consider the (a) short and long term effects of population growth in the UK. (5660)
- 8 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many (a) headcount and (b) FTE staff are employed by his Office; how many such staff are (i) special advisers and (ii) fixed term appointments; and how many desks are provided for staff employed by the No10 Political Office. [Transferred] (5286)
- 9 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many Downing Street passes have been issued since the general election to people who are not Ministers, civil servants, staff of the No 10 political office, special advisers, spouses of Ministers, Parliamentary Private Secretaries, or Labour Party staff. [Transferred] (5294)
- 10 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, when the Prime Minister intends to publish the List of Cabinet Committees. [Transferred] (5295)
- 11 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he has plans to meet with Elon Musk. [Transferred] (5296)
- 12 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether his Chief of Staff has a role in the determination of salary levels for special advisers. [Transferred] (5297)
- 13 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what Prime Minister's policy is on full-time staff in 10 Downing Street working from home; and whether there is a target percentage for workplace occupancy in 10 Downing Street. [Transferred] (5298)
- 14 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps he is taking to ensure productive working relations between special advisers in 10 Downing Street. [Transferred] (5300)
- 15 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what his policy is on the number of special advisers (a) Cabinet Ministers and (b) Ministers of State attending Cabinet can appoint. [Transferred] (5301)
- 16 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what his policy is on Civil Service reform. [Transferred] (5302)
- 17 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether steps are being taken to ensure he is briefed personally by the Security Services on national security matters. [Transferred] (5304)

- 18 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what the core working hours are for (a) permanent civil servants and (b) special advisers in 10 Downing Street.
[Transferred] (5305)
- 19 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether 10 Downing Street has a workplace dress code for staff.
[Transferred] (5308)
- 20 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he uses an email account in the course of his duties.
[Transferred] (5309)
- 21 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what data the Office for National Statistics holds on the differences in net housing delivery between (a) England and (b) Wales in (i) absolute terms and (b) per capita since 2010.
(5575)
- 22 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 31 July 2024 to Question 1240 on Morgan McSweeney, who line manages Mr Sweeney in his capacity as a special adviser.
(5576)
- 23 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many civil servants working in Whitehall are not UK nationals.
(5529)
- 24 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will make it his policy to encourage Government Departments in Whitehall to prioritise the (a) procurement and (b) purchase of British produced (i) food and (ii) drink.
(5532)
- 25 **Gareth Bacon** (Orpington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make an estimate of the proportion of economic growth that will be created by small and medium-sized enterprises in the next five years.
(5663)
- 26 **Gareth Bacon** (Orpington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps the Department is taking to ensure audit requirements are (a) accessible and (b) affordable for small and mid-sized quoted companies.
(5666)
- 27 **Gareth Bacon** (Orpington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps the Department is taking to improve the requirements for annual reporting for small and mid-sized quoted companies.
(5667)
- 28 **Julia Buckley** (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he has plans to increase the import tariff on electric vehicles from China.
(5755)
- 29 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many retailers were handed fines by the Groceries Code Adjudicator in (a) 2022 and (b) 2023.
(5534)

- 30 **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he has requested special arrangements for seafood consignments leaving the UK as part of the European Union Entry/Exit System. (5770)
- 31 **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of the European Union Entry/Exit System on seafood exports. (5771)
- 32 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether there have been changes to the licence agreements issued to UK Seabed Resources Limited since January 2021. (5822)
- 33 **Matthew Patrick** (Wirral West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to (a) reduce barriers to and (b) promote trade with countries in sub-Saharan Africa. (5722)
- 34 **Shivani Raja** (Leicester East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether financial support is available for firms looking to invest in the creative industries within the UK. [Transferred] (5437)
- 35 **Josh Simons** (Makerfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what (a) his planned timescale is and (b) the terms of reference are for the review of parental leave; and who will conduct the review. [Transferred] (5433)
- 36 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of a fan-led review of the music industry. (5653)
- 37 **Chris Law** (Dundee Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she has had discussions with the Charity Commission on guidance it provides to UK-registered charities on ensuring compliance with international law. (5588)
- 38 **Rebecca Paul** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to promote access to sports for (a) young people and (b) people with disabilities in Reigate constituency. (5779)
- 39 **Alex Burghart** (Brentwood and Ongar): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to support colleges and schools to (a) adopt T-levels and (b) expand their T-levels programmes in their settings in the 2025-26 academic year. (5644)
- 40 **Alex Burghart** (Brentwood and Ongar): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to her oral statement of 24 July 2024, Official Record, col 697, on Education and Opportunity, what plans her Department has to consult (a) external stakeholders and (b) people who have undertaken T-Levels during its review of post-16 qualification reform at level 3 and below; if she will publish the (i) name of the person leading and (ii) terms of reference for that review. (5645)

- 41 **Dr Beccy Cooper** (Worthing West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to ensure that support for SEN children is needs-led. (5788)
- 42 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to help increase the (a) availability and (b) affordability of childcare in Epsom and Ewell constituency. (5778)
- 43 **Rebecca Paul** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made an estimate of the number of children who may move from independent to state sector schools as a result of the planned introduction of VAT on independent schools in Reigate constituency; and whether she has made an assessment of the adequacy of local state school places available. (5805)
- 44 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to fund improvements to academy school buildings which are not fit for purpose. (5619)
- 45 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the next steps are for schools which have been approved for funding under the Rebuilding Schools programme. (5620)
- 46 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what plans she has to ensure sufficient school places in Kent; and what support she plans to provide to help children in (a) towns and (b) rural areas get to and from school by public transport. (5621)
- 47 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the introduction of VAT on private schools on state schools in Kent. (5622)
- 48 **Sir Gavin Williamson** (Stone, Great Wyrley and Penkridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate she has made of the cost of compliance with the Higher Education (Freedom of Speech) Act 2023. (5579)
- 49 **Sir Gavin Williamson** (Stone, Great Wyrley and Penkridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department has made an estimate of the cost to educational institutions of stopping the implementation of the Higher Education (Freedom of Speech) Act 2023. (5580)
- 50 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an estimate of the quantity and proportion of energy infrastructure that will be required to meet his solar power targets that will be sourced from Chinese companies. (5634)

- 51 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an estimate of the quantity and proportion of energy infrastructure that will be required to meet his (a) onshore and (b) offshore power targets that will be sourced from Chinese companies. (5635)
- 52 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of trends in the level of reliance on China-owned companies for the supply of energy infrastructure on national security. (5636)
- 53 **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 deploying Small Modular Reactors on the Government's net-zero targets. (5637)
- 54 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether his Department is taking steps to streamline regulatory approval processes for new nuclear projects. (5638)
- 55 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps he is taking to ensure that the UK has the (a) skills and (b) workforce to support the expansion of nuclear energy as part of the net-zero transition. (5639)
- 56 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps he is taking to support (a) international climate commitments and (b) other global nuclear energy initiatives. (5640)
- 57 **Mr Luke Charters** (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment his Department have made of the potential impact of retrofitting new homes on net zero targets. (5814)
- 58 **Mr Luke Charters** (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to work with local authorities on implementing the warm homes plan. (5816)
- 59 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, pursuant to the Answer of 10 September 2024 to Question 3784 on Solar Power: Housing, if he will make it his policy to regulate the Smart Export Guarantee market to ensure that (a) residential and (b) small commercial exporters of energy are paid the same price per unit as large commercial providers. (5655)
- 60 **Carla Denyer** (Bristol Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps he is taking to reduce the upfront cost of heat pumps for households. (5772)
- 61 **Carla Denyer** (Bristol Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will expand the Boiler Upgrade Scheme grant to cover the costs of connecting to a low-carbon heat network. (5773)

- 62 **Stephen Flynn** (Aberdeen South): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many times he has met the workforce at Grangemouth oil refinery since his appointment. (5650)
- 63 **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what plans has he to support pensioners with the cost of energy in (a) City of Durham and (b) County Durham. [Transferred] (5361)
- 64 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment his Department has made on the potential merits of the use of heat batteries in decarbonising homes. (5547)
- 65 **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the enforcement powers of the Environment Agency. (5777)
- 66 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of the transparency in food labelling for British (a) food and (b) drink. (5659)
- 67 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 26 July 2024 to Question 1982 on Coal: Imports and Production and the Answer of 30 August 2024 to Question 3169 on Coal: Railways, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of granting further coal mining licenses, in the context of trends in the level of demand for coal in the rail industry. (5668)
- 68 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what (a) meetings and (b) communications via electronic messaging (i) he and (ii) his special advisers have had with representatives of Arden Strategies. (5601)
- 69 **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has made a recent assessment of the potential merits of granting rights of access to rivers to (a) kayakers and (b) swimmers. (5571)
- 70 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what progress his Department has made on the review to increase fairness in the fresh produce supply chain. [R] (5613)
- 71 **Alex Burghart** (Brentwood and Ongar): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, pursuant to the answer of 3 September 2024 to Question 1967 on Incubator for Artificial Intelligence, by when he plans to have the agreed full-time headcount of 70 staff employed. (5641)

- 72 **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what information the Intellectual Property Office holds on the number of patents registered in (a) July and (b) August 2024. (5695)
- 73 **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, how many diversity, equality and inclusion officers his Department employed in August 2024. (5696)
- 74 **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions he has had with his US counterpart on the potential introduction of expanded AI regulation since 25 July 2024. (5697)
- 75 **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he has had discussions with his EU counterparts on EU Regulation 2024/1689 since 25 July 2024. (5698)
- 76 **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he has had discussions on the availability of consumer Artificial Intelligence tools with representatives of (a) Apple, (b) Google and (c) Microsoft. (5699)
- 77 **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he has had discussions with the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government on easing planning rules for data centres. (5700)
- 78 **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he has had discussions with the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government on easing planning rules for SMR reactors. (5701)
- 79 **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he is taking steps to support investment in (a) start-ups and (b) university spin-outs. (5702)
- 80 **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, with reference to his Department's publication entitled DSIT annual report and accounts 2023 to 2024, published on 12 September 2024, whether his Department plans to use the £599 million underspend. (5704)
- 81 **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, how many special advisers have been appointed by his Department since 4 July 2024. (5705)
- 82 **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he plans to continue implementation of the five goals of the UK Strategy for Engagement with CERN. (5707)

- 83 **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he plans to provide funding for the development of a new headquarters for the European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts at the University of Reading to be completed by autumn 2026. (5708)
- 84 **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if he will take steps to support extravehicular activity on UK private space flight missions. (5823)
- 85 **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, how much funding his Department plans to provide for infrastructure projects in the engineering biology sector in the next three financial years. (5709)
- 86 **Carla Denyer** (Bristol Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the Answer of 5 March 2024 to Question 17184 and pursuant to the Answer of 3 September 2024 to Question 2507 on Parking: Pedestrian Areas, whether she plans to respond to the Local Government Association's report entitled The Path to Inclusive Footways, published on 10 February 2024. (5749)
- 87 **Carla Denyer** (Bristol Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of clarifying rules on pavement parking in the proposed English Devolution Bill. (5753)
- 88 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what proportion of Government cars are (a) petrol, (b) diesel, (c) hybrid and (d) electric. (5658)
- 89 **Olly Glover** (Didcot and Wantage): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the oral statement of the Chancellor of the Exchequer of 29 July 2024, Official Report, column 1037, which projects under the Restoring Your Railway programme will not go ahead. (5798)
- 90 **Olly Glover** (Didcot and Wantage): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much and what proportion of the £500 million funding announced for the Restoring Your Railway Fund in January 2020 (a) has been fully allocated, (b) is still to be allocated and cannot be cancelled for contractual reasons and (c) remains unallocated. (5799)
- 91 **Olly Glover** (Didcot and Wantage): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much of the £500 million of funding announced for the Restoring Your Railway Fund in January 2020 has been allocated to (a) the Ideas Fund, (b) support advanced proposals for re-opening of railway lines, (c) support advanced proposals for re-opening of train stations and (d) support advanced proposals for new train stations. (5800)
- 92 **Olly Glover** (Didcot and Wantage): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent progress has been made on the Northumberland Line; and what estimate she has made of the date by which that work will be completed. (5801)

- 93 **Olly Glover** (Didcot and Wantage): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what support will be provided to schemes that have already received funding for early stage development under the Restoring Your Railway Fund. (5802)
- 94 **Olly Glover** (Didcot and Wantage): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what her Department's planned timetable is for publishing new guidance on local transport plans. (5803)
- 95 **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will take steps to support beyond visual line of sight drone trials. (5703)
- 96 **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she has had discussions with the Civil Aviation Authority on beyond visual line of sight drone trials. (5706)
- 97 **Rebecca Paul** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of the £2 bus fare cap on bus usage in (a) Reigate and Banstead Borough and (b) Surrey since its introduction. (5783)
- 98 **Rebecca Paul** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to (a) repair and (b) replace concrete sections of the M25 generating excessive noise. [R] (5795)
- 99 **Rebecca Paul** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when she plans to respond to the consultation entitled Pavement Parking: options for change, which closed in November 2020. (5796)
- 100 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the percentage seat utilisation per mile is on London and North Eastern Railway services to (a) York, (b) Leeds and (c) Newcastle. (5549)
- 101 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of newly approved open access services supporting (a) British train (i) manufacturing and (ii) assembly and (b) the wider supply chain. (5550)
- 102 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of allowing open access services to operate train services run by London and North Eastern Railway with (a) under 60% seat utilisation and (b) limited stops. (5551)
- 103 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the adequacy of seat utilisation of London and North Eastern Railway services before permitting Network Rail to issue a restricted capacity notice for the East Coast Main Line. (5552)

- 104 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions she has had with Network Rail on (a) the under-utilisation of some London North Eastern Railway services on the East Coast Main Line and (b) awarding those rail services to open access services. (5553)
- 105 **Anna Sabine** (Frome and East Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to support people not eligible for the Cycle to Work Scheme to buy a bicycle. (5735)
- 106 **Martin Vickers** (Brigg and Immingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what is the percentage seat utilisation per mile on London and North Eastern Railway services to (a) York, (b) Leeds and (c) Newcastle. (5556)
- 107 **Martin Vickers** (Brigg and Immingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment she has made of the potential role of newly approved open access services in supporting British train (a) manufacturing, (b) assembly and (c) supply chains. (5557)
- 108 **Martin Vickers** (Brigg and Immingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make (a) an estimate of the proportion of London and North Eastern Railway services with limited stops that operate with under 65% seat occupancy and (b) a comparative assessment of the potential merits of providing non-subsidised open access services with more calling points. (5558)
- 109 **Martin Vickers** (Brigg and Immingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will ensure that seat utilisation of London and North Eastern Railway services on key routes are taken into account before permitting Network Rail to issue a restricted capacity notice for the East Coast Main Line. (5559)
- 110 **Martin Vickers** (Brigg and Immingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions she has had with Network Rail on the (a) under-utilisation of some London North Eastern Railway services on the East Coast Main Line and (b) comparative potential merits of awarding those rails slots to open access services. (5560)
- 111 **Martin Vickers** (Brigg and Immingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what is the forecast subsidy to support London and North Eastern Railway in (a) 2024 and (b) 2025. (5561)
- 112 **Martin Vickers** (Brigg and Immingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what progress Network Rail has made on the cost reviews taking place to deliver power supply improvements on the (a) West and (b) East Coast Main Line. (5562)
- 113N **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the answer of 3 September 2024 to Question 2445 on Tolls, if she will commission research on pay per mile charge schemes. (5610)

- 114 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the answer of 3 September 2024 to Question 2443 on Roads: Speed Limits, whether she plans to encourage more councils to adopt 20 mph speed limits. (5611)
- 115 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 2 September 2024 to Question 2438, whether her Department has issued guidance on the use of automatic number plate recognition by local authorities as a parking enforcement tool. (5612)
- 116 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, for the number of pensioners with an annual income of between £15,000 and £20,000. (5720)
- 117 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to support job creation schemes in (a) South Holland and the Deepings constituency and (b) Lincolnshire. (5533)
- 118 **Rachel Hopkins** (Luton South and South Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will simplify the application form for Pension Credit. (5694)
- 119 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what (a) meetings and (b) communications via electronic messaging (i) he and (ii) his special advisers have had with representatives of Arden Strategies. (5599)
- 120 **Dr Andrew Murrison** (South West Wiltshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether the Health and Safety Executive hold information on the number of electrocutions caused by the use of water-fed poles in window cleaning. (5554)
- 121 **Rebecca Paul** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of changes to eligibility for Winter Fuel Payments on pensioners in Reigate constituency. (5774)
- 122 **Mr Connor Rand** (Altrincham and Sale West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if the child poverty taskforce will examine food insecurity. (5724)
- 123 **Sarah Coombes** (West Bromwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to reduce waiting times for elective surgeries in West Bromwich constituency. (5719)
- 124 **Sarah Coombes** (West Bromwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve patient satisfaction with GP services in West Bromwich constituency. (5815)
- 125 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 9 September 2024 to Question 3791 on Respiratory Syncytial Virus: Vaccination, whether he has received any advice from the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation on whether that vaccine should be extended to those children over one year old with spinal muscular atrophy type 1. (5654)

- 126 **Dr Beccy Cooper** (Worthing West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve the (a) quality and (b) accessibility of online NHS health information. (5784)
- 127 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the answer of 2 September 2024, to Question 2636, on NHS England: Communication and Management Consultants and with reference to the document entitled Fixing the foundations: Public spending audit 2024-25, published by HM Treasury on 29 July 2024, whether savings in that document include reducing NHS spending on consultancy and communications. (5740)
- 128 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, Pursuant to the answer of 2 September 2024 to Question 2636 on NHS England: Communication and Management Consultants, what is the monetary value of the communications and engagement lot for consultancy and advisory services framework run by NHS Shared Business Services, announced on 20 August 2024. (5741)
- 129 **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the report by Lord Darzi entitled Independent investigation of the NHS in England, published on 12 September 2024, what steps he plans to take to improve the quality of the NHS equipment referenced in that report. (5794)
- 130 **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to take steps with NHS England to develop (a) modelling of the blood cancer care workforce and (b) national standards for staffing and facilities. (5806)
- 131 **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many (a) blood cancer clinical nurses employed and (b) vacant blood cancer clinical nurse specialist posts there are in the NHS; and what assessment he has made of the potential merits of developing of a new blood cancer support role. (5807)
- 132 **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking improve the disparities experienced by those from (a) ethnic minorities, (b) deprived backgrounds and (c) geographically remote locations in accessing a timely diagnosis of blood cancer. (5808)
- 133 **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to (a) help improve patient understanding of self-monitoring of blood cancer and (b) increase funding for (i) sign-posting and referrals into charity support services and (ii) other resources for patient advocacy. (5809)
- 134 **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department is taking steps to support (a) investigator-led and (b) commercially-sponsored clinical trials in blood cancer research. (5810)

- 135 **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of participation in clinical trials for blood cancer; and whether he plans to take steps to increase the level of participation among underrepresented groups. (5811)
- 136 **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to hold discussions with his counterparts in the devolved Administrations on co-ordinating national cancer registries in their (a) collection, (b) analysis and (c) reporting of blood cancer data. (5812)
- 137 **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to help ensure blood cancer is routinely included as a distinct category when reporting on (a) prevalence, (b) healthcare utilisation and (c) other appropriate benchmarks. (5813)
- 138 **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure the adequacy of primary care provision for pensioners in (a) City of Durham constituency and (b) County Durham in winter 2024-25. (5821)
- 139 **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make it his policy to create a national allergy tsar within the NHS. (5651)
- 140 **Tom Hayes** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve the accessibility of information (a) provided by the NHS and (b) on adult social care. (5721)
- 141 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make it his policy to change the entitlement to Nursery Milk Scheme from ending at age five to the end of the academic year. [Transferred] (5475)
- 142 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure that funding for the Nursery Milk Scheme reflects the retail cost of milk. [Transferred] (5476)
- 143 **Ayoub Khan** (Birmingham Perry Barr): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will (a) repeal Section 2(4) of the Law Reform (Personal Injuries) Act 1948 and (b) make an assessment of the potential merits of other reforms of legislation covering clinical negligence costs. (5732)
- 144 **Ayoub Khan** (Birmingham Perry Barr): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a system of fixed recoverable costs in clinical negligence claims. (5733)
- 145 **Ayoub Khan** (Birmingham Perry Barr): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will meet the Medical Defence Union to discuss NHS staff morale. (5734)

- 146 **Kim Leadbeater** (Spen Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to increase awareness of urinary tract infections (UTIs); and if he will (a) take steps to support research on the (i) diagnosis and (ii) treatment of UTIs and (b) have discussions with the Secretary of State for Education on raising awareness of UTIs in schools. (5710)
- 147 **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether the Fit For Future Fund will include purchasing new equipment for endoscopy services used to diagnose bowel cancer. (5586)
- 148 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to expand community pharmacy provision in York. (5589)
- 149 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of local Pharmaceutical Needs Assessments. (5590)
- 150 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will implement a strategy to reduce levels of (a) diabetes and (b) complications as a result of diabetes. (5595)
- 151 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for the Environment on reducing particulate matter in the air. (5596)
- 152 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the availability of GP appointments in West Dorset constituency. (5727)
- 153 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many full-time equivalent GPs were working in West Dorset constituency as of 31 August 2024. (5728)
- 154 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of GP surgeries are rated as good by the Care Quality Commission in West Dorset constituency. (5729)
- 155 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve the availability of dental practices offering NHS services in West Dorset constituency. (5730)
- 156 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many times the Pharmacy First service has been used in each month since its launch. (5649)

- 157 **Rebecca Paul** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the Serious Shortage Protocols in place for Creon 10,000 and 25,000 capsules limiting prescriptions to one months' supply; and what steps he is taking to ensure children with cystic fibrosis have access to that medication. (5817)
- 158 **Adrian Ramsay** (Waveney Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of access to NHS dentistry for (a) children and (b) adults in Waveney Valley constituency; and what discussions he has had with stakeholders on the potential impact of publishing a timeframe to reform the dental contract on retention of NHS dentists. (5766)
- 159 **Adrian Ramsay** (Waveney Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of optometry aftercare following (a) cataract and (b) other optometry surgeries; and if he will take steps to ensure that private providers deliver adequate aftercare after those surgeries. (5767)
- 160 **Mr Connor Rand** (Altrincham and Sale West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve the take up of the Healthy Start Scheme. (5723)
- 161 **Mr Connor Rand** (Altrincham and Sale West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve the dietary health of young children from financially deprived backgrounds. (5725)
- 162 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to reduce prescriptions for anti-depressant medication. (5539)
- 163 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to publish guidance to GPs on reducing prescriptions for anti-depressant medication. (5540)
- 164 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to provide funding for medical research into alternatives to antidepressant medication. (5541)
- 165 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help treat people who have had adverse reactions to antidepressant medication including to (a) selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors and (b) serotonin and norepinephrine reuptake inhibitors. (5542)
- 166 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to treat people who have (a) post-acute withdrawal syndrome and (b) post-SSRI sexual dysfunction after taking anti-depressant medication. (5543)

- 167 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will publish guidance for (a) GPs and (b) psychiatrists on (i) safely deprescribing and (ii) providing alternative medications for patients on antidepressant medications. (5544)
- 168 **Josh Simons** (Makerfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of the report by the All Party Parliamentary Group on Hormone Pregnancy Tests, published in March 2024. (5715)
- 169 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he plans to take to ensure there is adequate healthcare provision for (a) existing and (b) new populations in (i) towns and (ii) rural areas. (5614)
- 170 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to allow Integrated Care Boards to enter into sub-leases for large non-owned GP leased premises (a) via exception and (b) by amending the rules. (5615)
- 171 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to allow GP practices to expand in areas with planned population increases. (5616)
- 172 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to free up more GP appointments. (5617)
- 173 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to increase the number of NHS dental appointments. (5618)
- 174 **Sir Iain Duncan Smith** (Chingford and Woodford Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has made an estimate of the number of British National (Overseas) visa holders in (a) Hong Kong and (b) China who do not have access to consular protection. (5527)
- 175 **Alex Easton** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking with the Commonwealth War Graves Commission to help ensure the maintenance of the graves of British servicemen in Simon's Town, South Africa. (5763)
- 176 **Chris Law** (Dundee Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the potential risk of UK-made parts for the F-35 fighter aircraft that are re-exported to Israel being used in violations of international law. (5587)
- 177 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with his Spanish counterpart on Gibraltar. (5545)

- 178 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with his Mauritian counterpart on the British Indian Ocean Territory. (5546)
- 179 **Martin Vickers** (Brigg and Immingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make representations to his Turkish counterpart on negotiations on a peaceful, comprehensive, and long-lasting solution to reunite divisions over Cyprus. (5563)
- 180 **Martin Vickers** (Brigg and Immingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make representations to his Turkish counterpart on reducing the number of Turkish troops stationed in Cyprus. (5564)
- 181 **Martin Vickers** (Brigg and Immingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he plans to visit Cyprus. (5565)
- 182 **Martin Vickers** (Brigg and Immingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make representations to his Turkish counterpart on the return of Famagusta to its former inhabitants on the 50th anniversary of its capture. (5566)
- 183 **Martin Vickers** (Brigg and Immingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking as Guarantor of Cyprus's independence and territorial integrity to help reunite the island. (5567)
- 184 **Martin Vickers** (Brigg and Immingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make representations to the Cypriot authorities on both sides to reveal the locations of buried missing people. (5568)
- 185 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, on how many occasions police have been required to be present at the picketing of defence factories in the last twelve months; and what the cost was to the public purse. [Transferred] (5335)
- 186 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the threat of pro-Iranian front groups operating in (a) Parliament and (b) Westminster. (5548)
- 187 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 6 September 2024 to Question 1875 on Armed Forces: Radiation Exposure, which stakeholders he plans to consult on the commemorative medal criteria. (5530)
- 188 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will meet nuclear test veterans to discuss compensation. (5531)

- 189 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what (a) meetings and (b) communications via electronic messaging (i) he and (ii) his special advisers have had with representatives of Arden Strategies. (5602)
- 190 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make it his policy to negotiate an end-use agreement with F-35 programme supply chain and electronic stockpile management system counterparts to end the re-export of F-35s to Israel. [Transferred] (5323)
- 191 **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will return blood and diagnostics tests taken after detonation to UK nuclear test veterans. (5569)
- 192N **Steff Aquarone** (North Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, for what reason she has scrapped the proposed devolution deal for Norfolk. [R] (5761)
- 193 **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 potential impact of a four day week for full pay in local government on the provision of services. (5626)
- 194 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her department intends to introduce legislation as a result of the Supreme Court decision of [2024] UKSC 20, R (on the application of Finch on behalf of the Weald Action Group) (Appellant) v Surrey County Council and others. (5628)
- 195 **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 potential merits of giving prisoners the right to vote.
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(5629)
- 196 **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 potential merits of the use of private planes by her Department. (5630)
- 197 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to her oral statement of 30 July 2024 on Building homes, what guidance her Department issues to local authorities on the last date at which a local plan should have been revised in order to be considered up-to-date. (5631)
- 198 **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 merits of providing additional resources to ensure local authorities have an up to date local plan. (5632)

- 199 **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 potential merits of bringing forward proposals to sanction local planning authorities that do not have up-to-date local plan by 31 December 2024. (5633)
- 200 **Carla Denyer** (Bristol Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to respond to the consultation entitled Changes to various permitted development rights which closed on 9 April 2024. (5775)
- 201 **Carla Denyer** (Bristol Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will remove the requirement for air source heat pumps to be situated at least one metre from the property boundary. (5776)
- 202 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, Pursuant to the answer of 5 September 2024 to Question 2635 on Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government: Public Expenditure, what the policy reasons were for cancelling the Investment Opportunity Fund and the associated support for private investment in Investment Zones and Freeports cancelled. (5736)
- 203 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, Pursuant to the answer of 5 September 2024, to Question 2635, on Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government: Public Expenditure, what interventions she plans to introduce to reduce incidents of anti-social behaviour. (5737)
- 204 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, Pursuant to the answer of 5 September 2024, to Question 2635, on Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government: Public Expenditure, what changes she plans to make to the Cambridge Growth programme; and what assessment she has made of the potential impact of changes in funding of that programme on (a) housebuilding and (b) development in Cambridgeshire. (5738)
- 205 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, Pursuant to the answer of 5 September 2024 to Question 2635 on Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government: Public Expenditure, whether she has discontinued the New definition of extremism programme announced in March 2024; and what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the £5 million saving on government (a) policy on counter-extremism and integration and (b) due diligence. (5739)
- 206 **Mark Ferguson** (Gateshead Central and Whickham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure that leaseholders do not have to fund remedial building modifications associated with aluminium composite material cladding. (5713)

- 207 **Mark Ferguson** (Gateshead Central and Whickham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether it is her policy that developers are responsible for financing (a) aluminium composite material assessments and (b) subsequent fire safety remedial modifications other than cladding. (5714)
- 208N **Rachel Hopkins** (Luton South and South Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what her planned timetable is for publishing a response to the report entitled The impact of a change in the maximum park home sale commission, published in June 2022. (5693)
- 209N **Jayne Kirkham** (Truro and Falmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what her planned timetable is for a decision on the use of Automatic Number Plate Recognition technology by local authorities as a parking enforcement tool to tackle non-compliance with parking charges. [Transferred] (5164)
- 210 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she has made an assessment of the impact of basing the council tax that a household pays on the value of their property relative to others on 1 April 1991 on rural areas. (5731)
- 211 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the answer of 9 September 2024, to Question 3008, on New Towns: Disclosure of Information, for what reason she has not provided the information requested. (5673)
- 212 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 9 September 2024 to Question 3408 on National Security, what her Department's timetable is for developing proposals on (a) strengthening democracy and (b) upholding the integrity of elections. (5674)
- 213 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many total Right to Buy sales there were in each local housing authority in each year since 2010-11; and what the average value of the discount was in each such authority in the most recent year for which figures are available. (5675)
- 214 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many dwellings claim the council tax exemption for probate in each local billing authority in the most recent period for which figures are available; and what the estimated cost is of the exemption each year. (5676)
- 215 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 9 September 2024 to Question 3109 on Health, whether she plans to use the planning system to regulate the (a) sale of hot food and (b) type of food offered by food outlets. (5677)

- 216 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what guidance her Department issues on (a) smoking and non-smoking provisions in the model conditions and (b) other aspects of pavement licences. (5678)
- 217 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department has received representations on abolishing the Right to Buy from (a) the Mayor of London, (b) London Boroughs, (c) the London Councils organisation and (d) the Mayor of Greater Manchester. (5679)
- 218 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what the status of the best value intervention is in relation to South Cambridgeshire District Council on its plans for a four day week. (5680)
- 219 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she is taking steps to raise awareness of the new building regulations coming into effect from October 2024. (5681)
- 220 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what representations her Department has received on the potential impact of (a) 50% new town and (b) 40% Green Belt affordable quotas on the viability of building 1.5 million homes in this Parliament. (5682)
- 221 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the answer of 1 August 2024 to Question 1525 on Building Regulations, whether she plans to make deregulatory changes in any policy areas to help increase housebuilding rates. (5683)
- 222 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to (a) increase and (b) uprate the business rate multipliers for 2025-26. (5684)
- 223 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to (a) increase and (b) discontinue business rate reliefs in 2025-26. (5685)
- 224 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her target to build 1.5 million homes in this Parliament applies only to England. (5686)
- 225 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the answer of 9 September 2024 to Question 3252 on Housing: Construction, whether her target to build 1.5 million homes in this Parliament will be measured by housing completions. (5687)

- 226 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 9 September 2024 to Question 3252 on Housing: Construction, whether the 1.5 million new homes target is a net or gross figure, in the context of (a) demolitions, (b) change of use, (c) conversions and (d) other changes to net housing supply other than new build. (5688)
- 227 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what her policy is on (a) irregular migrants and (b) asylum seekers applying for social housing. (5689)
- 228 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what her policy is on allowing (a) social housing providers to increase social rents above inflation and (b) backdated rent increases to offset below-inflation rents set under the previous administration. (5690)
- 229 **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 use of Empty Dwelling Management Orders by local authorities. (5691)
- 230 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what the status is of the best value intervention in the London Borough of Tower Hamlets; and what discussions she has had with local hon. Members on that intervention since 4 July 2024. (5692)
- 231 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if her Department what her Department's timetable is for its consultation into amending environmental permitting regulations to ensure that battery energy storage systems have appropriate mitigations in place against fire risk. (5623)
- 232 **Rebecca Paul** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many (a) women and (b) men have been released from prisons in Reigate constituency under the early release scheme in September 2024. (5797)
- 233 **Alex Burghart** (Brentwood and Ongar): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, with reference to his oral statement of 11 September 2024 on Patrick Finucane Murder, Official Report, columns 842-3, when he plans to (a) appoint a chair of the inquiry and (b) have agreed terms of reference; and what steps he is taking to avoid unnecessary costs. (5642)
- 234 **Alex Burghart** (Brentwood and Ongar): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, with reference to his oral statement of 11 September 2024 on Patrick Finucane Murder, Official Report, columns 841-3, whether he is considering other requests for public inquiries into incidents from the Troubles. (5643)
- 235 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Prime Minister, whether Lord Alli has financed any hospitality receptions in 10 Downing Street since 4 July 2024. (5574)

- 236 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Prime Minister, who has visited Chequers in an official capacity since 4 July 2024. (5577)
- 237 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Prime Minister, what the clearance process is for responses in his name to written Parliamentary Questions. (5578)
- 238 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Prime Minister, what (a) meetings and (b) communications via electronic messaging (i) he and (ii) his special advisers have had with representatives of Arden Strategies. (5597)
- 239 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Prime Minister, what meetings he has had with (a) individuals, (b) trade unions and (c) organisations who have previously made political donations to (i) him and (ii) his constituency association. (5598)
- 240 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will hold discussions with the Financial Conduct Authority on trends in the level of insurance premium increases for people involved in a motor insurance claim. (5605)
- 241 **Charlie Dewhurst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 6 September 2024, to Question 2627, on Public Sector: Pay, what estimate (a) her Department and (b) the Office for Budget Responsibility have made of the limited increase in (i) inflation and (b) wage expectations from the public sector pay rises. (5745)
- 242 **Charlie Dewhurst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much her Department has spent on (a) branding, (b) communications and (c) marketing in relation to her Fixing the Foundation (i) announcement, (ii) speech and (iii) documentation. (5746)
- 243 **Charlie Dewhurst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Pursuant to the Answer of 4 September 2024, to Question 2625, on Prime Minister: Public Expenditure, what the monetary value is of the 2% administrative savings that each individual government department and public body will be expected to make; and in which financial years those savings will fall. (5747)
- 244 **Charlie Dewhurst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the answer of 6 September 2024 to Question 2637 on Office for Value for Money, what plans she has for targeted interventions; and what estimate she has made of operating cost of the office in its first full year of operation. (5750)
- 245 **Charlie Dewhurst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 6 September 2024 to Question 2631 on Civil Service: Pay, what estimate she has made of the potential cost of the civil service pay award for 2024-25 (a) in total and (b) for senior civil service staff; and whether she has had discussions with the Office for Budget responsibility on the estimated cost of that pay award. (5751)

- 246 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the Government Finance Function guidance on the Government Efficiency Framework, published in July 2023, whether she is taking steps to ensure consistency in departmental interpretation of (a) technical and (b) allocative efficiencies. (5752)
- 247 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether provisions are in place for the independent audit of efficiency savings reported by departments in line with the Government Efficiency Framework to ensure that non-cash-releasing savings are not used as a method to (a) defer costs to future years and (b) reduce essential services. (5754)
- 248 **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the adequacy of the fiscal floor for Northern Ireland. (5791)
- 249 **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will conduct a comprehensive review of (a) relative need and (b) associated implications for the level of the fiscal floor for Northern Ireland required to ensure equivalent levels of service provision across the UK. (5792)
- 250 **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will fund an updated version of the report entitled Cost of Division: A benchmark of performance and expenditure, published by the Ulster University Economic Policy Centre in January 2016. (5793)
- 251 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the oral contribution of 12 September 2024 from the Leader of the House in response to the Question asked by the hon. Member for Hinckley and Bosworth, if she will publish the Government's impact assessment of VAT being charged on public school fees. (5661)
- 252 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she has had recent discussions with the National Crime Agency on tackling the illicit tobacco trade. [Transferred] (5256)
- 253 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy and Net Zero, what assessment he has made with Cabinet colleagues of the potential impact of flexible energy systems on consumers. (5820)
- 254N **Laura Trott** (Sevenoaks): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what meetings Ian Corfeld has held with businesses since his appointment as an unpaid adviser. (5656)
- 255N **Laura Trott** (Sevenoaks): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to Table 2, page 9, footnote 2 of her Department's report entitled Fixing the foundations: Public spending audit 2024-25, published in July 2025, what estimate her Department has made of the number of people that will receive Pension Credit over (a) 2024-25 and (b) 2025-26. (5657)

- 256 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, what (a) meetings and (b) communications via electronic messaging (i) he and (ii) his special advisers have had with representatives of Arden Strategies. (5600)
- 257 **Catherine Atkinson** (Derby North): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what steps she is taking to tackle illegal access refusals. (5768)
- 258 **Kit Malthouse** (North West Hampshire): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, whether (a) she has and (b) her special advisers have had (i) meetings and (ii) other communications via electronic messaging with representatives of Arden Strategies. (5603)

Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions

- 1 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): What estimate she has made of the number of pensioners in poverty who will not be entitled to the Winter Fuel Payment in winter 2024-25. (900491)
- 2 **Johanna Baxter** (Paisley and Renfrewshire South): What steps she is taking to reduce the time taken for Access to Work claims to be processed. (900492)
- 3 **Mr Will Forster** (Woking): What assessment she has made of the effectiveness of the Child Maintenance Service in collecting payments. (900493)
- 4 **Bradley Thomas** (Bromsgrove): If she will make an assessment of the potential impact of means-testing for Winter Fuel Payment on people with medical conditions that are exacerbated by cold weather. (900494)
- 5 **Ms Polly Billington** (East Thanet): What recent assessment she has made of trends in the number of young people not in education, employment or training. (900495)
- 6 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): What steps she is taking to ensure pensioners who are eligible for but have not previously claimed Pension Credit receive a Winter Fuel Payment in winter 2024-25. (900496)
- 7 **Mohammad Yasin** (Bedford): What progress she has made on responding to recommendations on compensation made by the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman in his report on changes to women's state pension age. (900497)
- 8 **Paul Davies** (Colne Valley): What steps her Department is taking to help increase uptake of Pension Credit. (900498)
- 9 **Dame Meg Hillier** (Hackney South and Shoreditch): What steps she is taking to support vulnerable people into work. (900499)
- 10 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): What assessment she has made of the adequacy of the accessibility of Jobcentres to people living in rural areas. (900500)
- 11 **Patrick Hurley** (Southport): What recent assessment her Department has made of the effectiveness of Jobcentre Plus in helping people get back into work. (900501)

- 12 **Josh Newbury** (Cannock Chase): What guidance her Department has issued to private contractors working in partnership with Jobcentre Plus on reimbursing claimants' travel costs. (900502)
- 13 **Torsten Bell** (Swansea West): What steps she is taking to progress the work of the Child Poverty Taskforce. (900503)
- 14 **Luke Akehurst** (North Durham): What assessment she has made of trends in the level of child poverty in the last 10 years. (900504)
- 15 **Alison Hume** (Scarborough and Whitby): What steps she is taking to tackle Carer's Allowance overpayments. (900505)
- 16 **Anna Dixon** (Shipley): What steps she is taking to tackle Carer's Allowance overpayments. (900506)
- 17 **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): What assessment she has made of trends in the number of benefit sanctions in the last five years. (900507)
- 18 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): What estimate she has made of the number of pensioners in poverty who will not be entitled to the Winter Fuel Payment in winter 2024-25. (900508)
- 19 **Alex Baker** (Aldershot): What recent assessment she has made of trends in the number of young people not in education, employment or training. (900509)
- 20 **Sarah Edwards** (Tamworth): What recent assessment she had made of trends in the number of young people not in education, employment or training. (900510)
- 21 **Luke Myer** (Middlesbrough South and East Cleveland): What recent assessment she has made of trends in the level of economic inactivity in Teesside. (900511)
- 22 **Mark Sowards** (Leeds South West and Morley): What recent discussions she has had with (a) mayors and (b) local councils on supporting people back into work. (900512)
- 23 **Adrian Ramsay** (Waveney Valley): What her Department's timetable is for responding to the recommendations on compensation made by the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman in his report on changes to women's state pension age. (900513)
- 24 **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): What estimate she has made of the number of pensioners in poverty who will not be entitled to the Winter Fuel Payment in winter 2024-25. (900514)
- 25 **Andrew Lewin** (Welwyn Hatfield): What progress she has made with Cabinet colleagues on the Pensions Investment Review. (900515)

Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions

- T1 **Chris Webb** (Blackpool South): If she will make a statement on her departmental responsibilities. (900526)
- T2 **Vikki Slade** (Mid Dorset and North Poole): (900527)
- T3 **Olly Glover** (Didcot and Wantage): (900528)
- T4 **Mr Alistair Carmichael** (Orkney and Shetland): (900529)

T5	Paul Davies (Colne Valley):	(900530)
T6	Melanie Ward (Cowdenbeath and Kirkcaldy):	(900531)
T7	Marsha De Cordova (Battersea):	(900532)
T8	Deirdre Costigan (Ealing Southall):	(900533)
T9	Mr Alex Barros-Curtis (Cardiff West):	(900534)
T10	Markus Campbell-Savours (Penrith and Solway):	(900535)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 8 October

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she plans to continue supporting the Listed Places of Worship Grant Scheme. (5606)
- 2N **Brian Leishman** (Alloa and Grangemouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what discussions he has had with stakeholders on (a) plans for the industrial future and (b) the workforce that could in future be based at the Grangemouth site in Scotland, in the context of the planned closure of the oil refinery in 2025. (5804)
- 3N **John Milne** (Horsham): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will take steps to introduce (a) new national standards for the construction of facilities and (b) operational safety regulations for battery energy storage systems. (5818)
- 4N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent assessment has he made of the potential merits of opening up green belt land to responsible public access. (5570)
- 5N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will take steps to implement the aims of the Right to Roam campaign. (5572)
- 6N **Saqib Bhatti** (Meriden and Solihull East): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, pursuant to the Answer of 6 September 2024 to Question 2163 on Animal Experiments, what his planned timetable is for the work on requirements for phasing out animal testing. (5669)

- 7N **Saqib Bhatti** (Meriden and Solihull East): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, with reference to the Answer of 12 September 2024 to Question 2163 on Animal Experiments, which scientists his Department has partnered with to work towards the requirements for phasing out animal testing; and how often he has met those scientists. (5670)
- 8N **Saqib Bhatti** (Meriden and Solihull East): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if he will conduct an impact assessment of his plans to phase out animal testing. (5671)
- 9N **Saqib Bhatti** (Meriden and Solihull East): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he will prioritise phasing out testing on protected species when phasing out animal testing. (5672)
- 10N **Ann Davies** (Caerfyrddin): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment has she made of the financial impact of planned changes to the Winter Fuel Payment on recipients of the old State Pension. (5759)
- 11N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that (a) old and (b) new State Pension recipients are equally financially supported. (5609)
- 12N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the Major Conditions Strategy on outcomes for people with dementia. (5535)
- 13N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when his Department plans to offer bowel cancer screening to people aged 50. (5537)
- 14N **Laura Kyrke-Smith** (Aylesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he plans to take to reduce NHS waiting lists in Aylesbury constituency. (5726)
- 15N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to review the dental contract. (5591)
- 16N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to expand the scope of the Pharmacy First scheme to include the (a) management of long-term conditions and (b) provision of public health advice. (5592)
- 17N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will place more mental health services in primary care. (5593)
- 18N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to ensure that health checks are available at all stages of life. (5594)

- 19N **Claire Young** (Thornbury and Yate): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to support the work of Air Ambulance charities. (5764)
- 20N **John Cooper** (Dumfries and Galloway): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the oral contribution of the Secretary of State for Scotland in response to the question from the hon. Member for Dumfries and Galloway of 4 September 2024, Official Report, column 298, when he plans to provide a written response to that question. (5757)
- 21N **Deirdre Costigan** (Ealing Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she make an assessment of the impact of immigration-based restrictions to public funds on homelessness among non-UK nationals. (5717)
- 22N **Deirdre Costigan** (Ealing Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to prevent people becoming homeless after leaving asylum accommodation. (5718)
- 23N **Luke Akehurst** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 22 July 2024 to Question 444, what recent progress his Department has made on the New Medium Helicopter programme. (5785)
- 24N **Luke Akehurst** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many flying hours the Chinook fleet carried out in each of the last five years. (5786)
- 25N **Luke Akehurst** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the Missile Technology Control Regime (MTCR). (5787)
- 26N **Luke Akehurst** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many aircraft will be procured through the New Medium Helicopter (NMH) programme. (5789)
- 27N **Luke Akehurst** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many F-35B aircraft he expects his Department to have taken delivery of by the end of 2024. (5790)
- 28N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what estimate he has made of the number of Chinook CH-47 aircraft that will be delivered during this Parliament. (5536)
- 29N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will grant the application by Christchurch Sailing Club for a warrant to wear a privileged Ensign. (5528)
- 30N **Steff Aquarone** (North Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to provide a devolution deal for Norfolk. [R] (5756)

- 31N **Steff Aquarone** (North Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of devolving further powers on transport to Norfolk local authorities. [R] (5758)
- 32N **Steff Aquarone** (North Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what discussions she has had with (a) Norfolk County Council and (b) North Norfolk District Council on a devolution deal for Norfolk. [R] (5760)
- 33N **Steff Aquarone** (North Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, when her Department plans to bring forward the English Devolution Bill; and how that bill will impact Norfolk. [R] (5762)
- 34N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with which members of (a) Suffolk County Council and (b) district councils in Suffolk she has discussed Suffolk's devolution deal. (5607)
- 35N **Mark Ferguson** (Gateshead Central and Whickham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what data her Department holds on the number of buildings over (a) 11 and (b) 18 metres in Gateshead Central and Whickham constituency that have aluminium composite material cladding. (5712)
- 36N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will publish a strategy on ending all forms of homelessness. (5652)
- 37N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many staff there are in the Probation service. (5538)
- 38N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, when she plans to respond to the letter of 23 July 2024 from the Rt hon. Member for Dwyfor Meirionnydd on the establishment of a women's residential centre in Wales. (5608)
- 39N **Andy Slaughter** (Hammersmith and Chiswick): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many applications were received for compensation following a conviction being quashed in each year since 2018; what proportion of those applications were successful; and what the average compensation award was for successful claims. (5555)
- 40N **Deirdre Costigan** (Ealing Southall): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if her Department will widen the list of current Energy Saving Materials in the upcoming Autumn Statement to include heat batteries. (5716)
- 41N **Claire Young** (Thornbury and Yate): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will provide capital funding to Air Ambulance charities. (5765)
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Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero

- 1 **Dr Simon Opher** (Stroud): What recent progress he has made on meeting his target to have a zero carbon electricity system by 2030. (900536)
- 2 **Johanna Baxter** (Paisley and Renfrewshire South): What steps he is taking with his international counterparts to tackle climate change. (900537)
- 3 **Mr Gideon Amos** (Taunton and Wellington): What steps he is taking to help increase levels of onshore wind energy production. (900538)
- 4 **Mike Martin** (Tunbridge Wells): What steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help reduce emissions by increasing the use of public transport. (900539)
- 5 **David Pinto-Duschinsky** (Hendon): What steps he is taking to improve energy security. (900540)
- 6 **Luke Myer** (Middlesbrough South and East Cleveland): What assessment he has made of the potential impact of Great British Energy on job creation in industrial communities. (900541)
- 7 **Debbie Abrahams** (Oldham East and Saddleworth): What recent assessment he has made of the potential merits of introducing energy social tariffs. (900542)
- 8 **Joe Morris** (Hexham): What steps he is taking to introduce his warm homes plan. (900543)
- 9 **Mr Alex Barros-Curtis** (Cardiff West): What recent progress he has made on meeting his target to have a zero carbon electricity system by 2030. (900544)
- 10 **Laura Kyrke-Smith** (Aylesbury): What steps he is taking to introduce his warm homes plan. (900545)
- 11 **Carla Denyer** (Bristol Central): What steps he is taking to ensure a just transition for workers in high carbon sectors. (900546)
- 12 **Tessa Munt** (Wells and Mendip Hills): What steps he is taking to increase grid capacity. (900547)
- 13 **Abtisam Mohamed** (Sheffield Central): What steps his Department is taking to increase clean electricity generation. (900548)
- 14 **Anna Dixon** (Shipley): What steps he is taking to increase solar power generation. (900549)
- 15 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): What recent assessment he has made of trends in petrol and diesel prices. (900550)
- 16 **Euan Stainbank** (Falkirk): What steps his Department is taking to help increase the number of jobs in the renewable energy sector. (900551)
- 17 **Tom Gordon** (Harrogate and Knaresborough): What steps his Department is taking to support the development of off-grid energy infrastructure. (900552)
- 18 **Uma Kumaran** (Stratford and Bow): What steps he is taking with his international counterparts to tackle climate change. (900553)
- 19 **Luke Murphy** (Basingstoke): What steps he is taking to establish Great British Energy. (900554)
- 20 **Chris Vince** (Harlow): What steps he is taking with his international counterparts to tackle climate change. (900555)

- 21 **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): What steps he is taking to introduce his warm homes plan. (900556)
- 22 **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): What recent discussions he has had with oil and gas companies on projected price changes in the next six months. (900557)
- 23 **Paul Waugh** (Rochdale): What steps he is taking with his international counterparts to tackle climate change. (900558)
- 24 **Mrs Sureena Brackenridge** (Wolverhampton North East): What assessment he has made of the potential impact of Great British Energy on job creation in industrial communities. (900559)
- 25 **Steve Race** (Exeter): What steps he is taking to increase solar power generation. (900560)

Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero

- T1 **Tracy Gilbert** (Edinburgh North and Leith): If she will make a statement on her departmental responsibilities. (900561)
- T2 **Sir John Whittingdale** (Maldon): (900562)
- T3 **Danny Beales** (Uxbridge and South Ruislip): (900563)
- T4 **Alistair Strathern** (Hitchin): (900564)
- T5 **Tom Rutland** (East Worthing and Shoreham): (900565)
- T6 **Claire Young** (Thornbury and Yate): (900566)
- T7 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): (900567)
- T8 **Zöe Franklin** (Guildford): (900568)
- T9 **Anna Dixon** (Shipley): (900569)
- T10 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): (900570)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 9 October

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people applying for pension credit have been in receipt of universal credit in each of the last five years. (5581)

- 2N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, when the threshold for pension credit was last reviewed; and when it is next set for review. (5582)
- 3N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of automating pension credit payments without an application process for claimants reaching retirement age on universal credit. (5583)
- 4N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, when the application process for Pension Credit was last reviewed. (5584)
- 5N **Marsha De Cordova** (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure that all NHS information systems can print information in accessible formats. (5648)
- 6N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what plans her Department has to review exceptional circumstances criteria. (5585)
- 7N **Mike Martin** (Tunbridge Wells): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he plans to remove the £50 million cap on reparation payments to LGBT veterans, in the context of the value of average payments that would be provided to those veterans under that cap. (5769)
- 8N **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 potential impact of an automatic electoral registration on the number of Parliamentary seats in each constituent nation of the United Kingdom. (5627)
- 9N **Tonia Antoniazzi** (Gower): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 5 September 2024 to Question 3767 on Sexual Offences, what (a) legislation and (b) offence the (i) 10701, (ii) 10702, (iii) 10703, (iv) 10704, (v) 02401, (vi) 07201, (vii) 07202 and (viii) 16501 code relates to. (5646)
- 10N **Tonia Antoniazzi** (Gower): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 5 September 2024 to Question 3767 on Sexual Offences, whether HO code 03608 relates solely to the offence of trafficking for sexual exploitation. (5647)
- 11N **Robin Swann** (South Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, who is responsible for discharging the (a) responsibilities and (b) functions of the Northern Ireland Veterans Commissioner while that post is vacant. (5748)
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Oral Questions to the Minister for Women and Equalities

- 1 **Bobby Dean** (Carshalton and Wallington): What discussions she has had with Cabinet colleagues on the potential impact of the cost of energy on disabled people. (900443)
- 2 **Jo White** (Bassetlaw): What steps she is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help tackle violence against women and girls. (900444)
- 3 **Gill German** (Clwyd North): What steps she is taking with Cabinet colleagues to tackle the impact of socio-economic disadvantage on future earnings. (900445)
- 4 **Mr Connor Rand** (Altrincham and Sale West): What steps she is taking to help end discrimination against disabled people. (900446)
- 5 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): What steps she is taking with Cabinet colleagues to implement the recommendations of the Cass review. (900447)
- 6 **Becky Gittins** (Clwyd East): What steps she is taking to support women in the workplace. (900448)
- 7 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): What steps she is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help increase the representation of women in public life. (900449)
- 8 **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): What discussions she has had with the Secretary of State for the Home Department on violence against women and girls. (900450)
- 9 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): What discussions she has had with the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government on reducing the number of women sleeping rough. (900451)
- 10 **Sir Ashley Fox** (Bridgwater): What steps she is taking with Cabinet colleagues to improve employment opportunities for people with disabilities. (900452)
- 11 **Liz Twist** (Blaydon and Consett): What steps she is taking to support women in the workplace. (900453)
- 12 **Mike Martin** (Tunbridge Wells): What discussions she has had with the Secretary of State for the Home Department on violence against women and girls. (900454)
- 13 **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): What steps she is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help tackle violence against women and girls. (900455)
- 14 **Dr Beccy Cooper** (Worthing West): What steps she is taking with Cabinet colleagues to tackle the impact of socio-economic disadvantage on future earnings. (900456)
- 15 **Claire Young** (Thornbury and Yate): What steps is she taking with Cabinet colleagues to help ensure the adequacy of support for children with special educational needs and disabilities. (900457)

Topical Questions to the Minister for Women and Equalities

- T1 **Dame Meg Hillier** (Hackney South and Shoreditch): If she will make a statement on her departmental responsibilities. (900458)

T2	Steve Race (Exeter):	(900459)
T3	Joe Morris (Hexham):	(900460)
T4	Laura Kyrke-Smith (Aylesbury):	(900461)
T5	Shaun Davies (Telford):	(900462)
T6	Ruth Cadbury (Brentford and Isleworth):	(900463)
T7	Mark Ferguson (Gateshead Central and Whickham):	(900464)
T8	Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills):	(900465)

Oral Questions to the Prime Minister

1	Mr Gagan Mohindra (South West Hertfordshire): If he will list his official engagements for Wednesday 9 October.	(900571)
2	Sarah Coombes (West Bromwich):	(900572)
3	Shivani Raja (Leicester East):	(900573)
4	Adam Jogee (Newcastle-under-Lyme):	(900574)
5	Jon Pearce (High Peak):	(900575)
6	Sir Julian Smith (Skipton and Ripon):	(900576)
7	Dame Meg Hillier (Hackney South and Shoreditch):	(900577)
8	Alex McIntyre (Gloucester):	(900578)
9	Helen Morgan (North Shropshire):	(900579)
10	Robin Swann (South Antrim):	(900580)
11	Luke Murphy (Basingstoke):	(900581)
12	Phil Brickell (Bolton West):	(900582)
13	Joe Morris (Hexham):	(900583)
14	Noah Law (St Austell and Newquay):	(900584)
15	Mary Kelly Foy (City of Durham):	(900585)

Questions for Answer on Thursday 10 October

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Gareth Bacon** (Orpington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to help support the growth of small and medium-sized enterprises. (5662)
- 2N **Gareth Bacon** (Orpington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to help increase (a) investment and (b) listings for small and medium-sized businesses. (5664)
- 3N **Gareth Bacon** (Orpington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will take steps to incentivise companies to remain listed in London. (5665)
- 4N **Karl Turner** (Kingston upon Hull East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to increase the volume of trade between the United Kingdom and Sri Lanka. (5573)
- 5N **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if she will publish a timeline for the review of the water sector announced on 12 September 2024. (5604)
- 6N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of allowing Councils to borrow from the Public Works Loan Board at discounted rates in order to build homes for social rent. [R] (5711)

Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Transport

- 1 **Dr Neil Shastri-Hurst** (Solihull West and Shirley): If she will take steps to help expedite the approval of additional trains to increase capacity on Chiltern Railways. (900466)
- 2 **Jayne Kirkham** (Truro and Falmouth): What steps she is taking to help mitigate disruption to rail passengers travelling to the South West when construction of Old Oak Common Station begins. (900467)
- 3 **Jake Richards** (Rother Valley): What steps she is taking to improve road safety. (900468)
- 4 **Nigel Huddleston** (Droitwich and Evesham): If she will meet stakeholders in the Midlands to discuss plans to build the Midlands Rail Hub. (900469)
- 5 **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): What steps she is taking to support proposals for a tram system in Leeds and West Yorkshire. (900470)
- 6 **Bambos Charalambous** (Southgate and Wood Green): What steps she is taking to reduce driving test waiting times. (900471)

- 7 **Mr Alistair Carmichael** (Orkney and Shetland): What discussions she has had with the Maritime and Coastguard Agency on maritime safety breaches which occur outside UK territorial waters but within the exclusive economic zone. (900472)
- 8 **Catherine Atkinson** (Derby North): What recent progress has been made on the electrification of the Midlands Main Line. (900473)
- 9 **Andrew George** (St Ives): If she will meet authorities in Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly to discuss transport needs in those areas. (900474)
- 10 **Paul Davies** (Colne Valley): What steps she is taking to help improve local bus services. (900475)
- 11 **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): What steps she is taking to help improve local bus services. (900476)
- 12 **Priti Patel** (Witham): Whether she plans to announce new investment for highways in Essex. (900477)
- 13 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): What steps she is taking to promote walking and cycling. (900478)
- 14 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): What steps her Department is taking to improve transport connectivity within city regions. (900479)
- 15 **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): If she will have discussions with Sustrans on the potential role of its tool for modelling and forecasting cycling levels in the promotion of active travel. (900480)
- 16 **Noah Law** (St Austell and Newquay): What steps she is taking to ensure the resilience of regional airports. (900481)
- 17 **Sarah Edwards** (Tamworth): What assessment she has made of the adequacy of the condition of local roads. (900482)
- 18 **Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck** (South Shields): What steps she is taking to help improve local bus services. (900483)
- 19 **Graham Leadbitter** (Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey): Whether she has had discussions with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on increasing capital investment in transport. (900484)
- 20 **Ian Lavery** (Blyth and Ashington): If she will take steps with Cabinet colleagues to ensure the provision of ring-fenced funding for local authorities to deliver publicly-controlled bus services. (900485)
- 21 **Patrick Spencer** (Central Suffolk and North Ipswich): What steps her Department is taking to improve transport links in rural areas. (900486)
- 22 **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): What recent assessment she has made of the potential impact of airport expansion on the Government's ability to meet net zero targets. (900487)
- 23 **Sojan Joseph** (Ashford): Whether she has had discussions with Cabinet colleagues on the impact of the EU Entry/Exit System on road haulage. (900488)
- 24 **Sir Edward Leigh** (Gainsborough): What plans her Department has to increase transport connectivity between the East Midlands and London. (900489)

- 25 **Luke Taylor** (Sutton and Cheam): What estimate she has made of the timeframe within which the renationalisation of rail franchises will result in improvements to rail services. (900490)

Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Transport

- T1 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): If she will make a statement on her departmental responsibilities. (900516)
- T2 **Jen Craft** (Thurrock): (900517)
- T3 **Mrs Sureena Brackenridge** (Wolverhampton North East): (900518)
- T4 **Sir John Whittingdale** (Maldon): (900519)
- T5 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): (900520)
- T6 **Siân Berry** (Brighton Pavilion): (900521)
- T7 **Mary Glindon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): (900522)
- T8 **Lauren Edwards** (Rochester and Strood): (900523)
- T9 **Jessica Morden** (Newport East): (900524)
- T10 **Steve Race** (Exeter): (900525)
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Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to respond to the correspondence of 7 August 2024 from the hon. Member for Tooting on children's cancer services in the South East. (5624)
- 2N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to improve the supply of methylphenidate hydrochloride in pharmacies. (5625)