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Questions tabled on Friday 11 October 2024

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- † Indicates a Question not included in the random selection process but accepted because the quota for that day had not been filled.
- N Indicates a question for written answer on a named day under S.O. No. 22(4).
- [R] Indicates that a relevant interest has been declared.

Questions for Answer on Monday 14 October

Questions for Written Answer

- Alex Mayer (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to limit the number of dangerous toys sold by third-party sellers on online marketplaces. [Transferred] (8553)
- Deirdre Costigan (Ealing Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of extending the Opening School Facilities funding programme beyond March 2025.

 [Transferred] (8281)
- Alex Mayer (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to implement procurement rules to give greater weight to the inclusion of green steel in purchased goods and services.

 [Transferred] (8549)
- 4 Alex Mayer (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if his Department will establish a definition for (a) lower emission and (b) net zero steel.

 [Transferred] (8550)
- Mark Sewards (Leeds South West and Morley): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether his Department has made an (a) estimate of the potential private sector investment in (i) autonomous delivery robots and (ii) other autonomous technologies by 2030 and (b) assessment of the potential implications of such investment for the Government's economic growth agenda. [Transferred] (8561)

6 **Ms Polly Billington** (East Thanet): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of reopening Ramsgate Port to international passengers on levels of (a) capacity pressure experienced by (i) the Port of Dover and (ii) other ports in the South East of England and (b) congestion on the M20.

[Transferred] (8532)

- 7 **Ms Polly Billington** (East Thanet): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of reopening Ramsgate Port to international (a) trade and (b) passenger transit on economic growth in (i) South East England, (ii) Kent and (iii) Thanet district.

 [Transferred] (8533)
- Ms Polly Billington (East Thanet): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of reopening the Ramsgate Port to international (a) trade and (b) passenger transit on job creation in the local economy.

 [Transferred] (8534)
- 9 Adam Jogee (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent discussions he has had with the School and Public Health Nurses

 Association on the adequacy of school nursing provision.

 [Transferred] (8563)
- 10N **Olivia Blake** (Sheffield Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether the Ukraine Permission Extension scheme will continue to provide thank you payments to people hosting displaced Ukrainians.

 [R] [Transferred] (8243)
- Olivia Blake (Sheffield Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she plans to take once the Ukraine Permission Extension scheme is introduced to a) incentivise the continuation of people hosting and b) reduce the risk of homelessness amongst displaced Ukrainians.

 [R] [Transferred] (8244)
- 12 Adam Jogee (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, whether she has had recent discussions with the
 Electoral Commission on the use of photo ID issued by the Ministry of Defence by veterans
 when voting in elections.

 [Transferred] (8564)
- Amanda Martin (Portsmouth North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment with Cabinet
 colleagues of the potential merits of establishing a cross-departmental programme led by
 the Cabinet Office to (a) develop a long-term strategy and (b) ensure funding for tackling
 homelessness and rough sleeping.

 [Transferred] (8375)
- 14 **Mrs Kemi Badenoch** (North West Essex): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will take steps to allow local authorities to levy (a) hotel and (b) tourist taxes. [Transferred] (8193)
- John Glen (Salisbury): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 8 August 2024 to Question HL519 on Public Expenditure, for what reason parts of that speech were redacted; and whether the Permanent Secretary had a role in that redaction.

[Transferred] (8432)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 15 October

Questions for Written Answer

- Sorcha Eastwood (Lagan Valley): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether his Department plans to take forward recommendations from the UK Commission on Covid Commemoration: Final Report, published in March 2023. (8706)
- 2 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if the vacancy for the position of the Second Permanent Secretary, Head of Mission Delivery Unit, was (a) publicly advertised and (b) for how long. (8637)
- John Glen (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the answer of 16 September 2024, to Question 5052, on Government Departments: Disclosure of Information, whether his Department has cancelled the launch of the transparency portal for consolidated government data. (8638)
- John Glen (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answers of 13 September 2024 to Questions 4350 and 4352 on Smoking, whether his Department plans to ban (a) smoking and (b) vaping in (i) public gardens and (ii) outdoor recreational spaces at (A) 10 Downing Street and (B) 70 Whitehall. (8639)
- John Glen (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 16 September 2024 to Question 4658 on Civil Servants: Recruitment, if he will place a copy of the report on Time to Hire in the Library. (8640)
- John Glen (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 13 September 2024, to Question 4663, on 70 Whitehall, how many work desks are available for civil servants in 70 Whitehall as a percentage of the staff assigned to work in that building.
- John Glen (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 23 September 2024, to Question 5043, on Prime Minister: Staff, how many of those staff work in press, marketing and communications. (8642)
- 8 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what his Department's policy is on the use of (a) Tiktok, (b) WeChat and (c) Telegraph on (i) Government communications devices and (ii) Ministers' non-corporate communications devices. (8643)
- John Glen (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what the policy of the
 Government Communications Service is on promoting government communications on (a)
 Tiktok, (b) WeChat and (c) Telegraph.
- Layla Moran (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps his Department is taking to ensure (a) payments are made to affected persons within three months of the passage of the Prisoners and Victims Act 2024 and (b) its compliance with other provisions of that Act. (8671)

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- Nigel Farage (Clacton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to support pubs in (a) Clacton and (b) the UK. (8698)
- 13 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment her Department has made of future opportunities to grow the tourism industry in Bedfordshire. (8701)
- 14 Alex Ballinger (Halesowen): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what plans her
 Department has to consult (a) teachers and (b) students in relation to its planned phaseout of BTEC qualifications. (8731)
- Victoria Collins (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if her Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of (a) extending the Holiday Activities and Food Programme beyond March 2025 and (b) introducing other measures to help ensure children from low-income households have access to healthy meals during school holidays. (8724)
- Victoria Collins (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if her Department will take steps to help reduce the potential impact of the introduction of VAT on independent school fees for children at independent schools (a) who need SEND support and (b) do not have an ECHP. (8725)
- 17 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to reduce class sizes in Lincolnshire. (8628)
- Clive Lewis (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 11 September 2024 to Question 4008 on Childcare: Recruitment, what steps her Department is taking to (a) monitor and (b) enforce the payment of the National Living Wage in the early education and childcare sector. (8664)
- James Naish (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her
 Department plans to take steps to (a) understand more about the relationship between
 smartphone use and young people's mental health, (b) reduce any negative impact of
 those devices on young people's mental health and (c) bring forward legislative proposals
 on the use of smartphones in schools.

 (8686)
- 20 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how much funding he plans to provide for home insulation in each of the next three years; and if he will make it his policy (a) for all homes to have an efficiency rating of band C or higher by 2035 and (b) to publish the Warm Homes Plan by the end of 2024. (8746)

- 21 Alex Mayer (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what progress his Department has made on the implementation of the Declarations between the UK and North Seas countries at the North Sea Summit in April 2023. (8708)
- Victoria Collins (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of bringing forward species-specific legislative proposals to ensure farmed fish do not experience avoidable pain and suffering. (8721)
- Victoria Collins (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to (a) reintroduce the Kept Animals Bill and (b) introduce a ban on snares.
 (8722)
- 24 Fabian Hamilton (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help improve sustainable fishing.
 (8631)
- 25 **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will have discussions with the Secretary of State for Business and Trade on the potential merits of requiring companies building data centres to invest in (a) building and (b) maintaining water supply infrastructure. (8659)
- 26 Clive Lewis (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department plans to monitor the water usage of data centres.
 (8660)
- 27 Alex Mayer (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to end the sale of live decapod crustaceans. (8709)
- 28 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will publish best practice guidance for the transport of live decapod crustaceans. (8710)
- 29 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department had made of the potential merits of producing an animal protection strategy. (8712)
- Alex Mayer (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions he has had with his counterparts in European countries on mitigating the spread of the Ips typographus tree pest. (8713)
- 31 Alex Mayer (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to help increase tree planting along riverbanks.

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- Alex Mayer (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he is taking steps to use the Government's tree planting programme to help tackle (a) flooding and (b) upper catchment management of rivers.

 (8715)
- 33 Alex Mayer (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if his Department will take steps to help ensure that all domestic insurers signed up to the Build Back Better flood insurance scheme offer those provisions across all their products. (8716)
- 34 Alex Mayer (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if his Department will take legislative steps to ensure all domestic insurers offer Build Back Better policies. (8717)
- 35 **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of extending the provisions of Flood:Re beyond 2039. (8677)
- Alex Mayer (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of bringing forward legislative proposals to set a target date for the long-term replacement of animal experiments in medical research with human-specific technologies.
- Alex Mayer (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
 Innovation and Technology, what information her Department has on the number of miles
 of (a) copper wire and (b) fibre in the internet network in (i) Central Bedfordshire and
 (ii) the East of England; and how many miles of existing copper wire are planned to be
 replaced by fibre by the end of 2024.
- 38 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
 Innovation and Technology, what steps he plans to take to support the development of
 tech clusters for specialist universities. (8702)
- 39 **Stuart Andrew** (Daventry): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much funding her Department plans to provide for road infrastructure in each of the next three financial years. (8636)
- 40N **Ms Polly Billington** (East Thanet): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of reopening Ramsgate Port to international trade on levels of (a) capacity pressure experienced by (i) the Port of Dover and (ii) other ports in the South East of England and (b) congestion on the M20.

[Transferred] (8531)

- **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will have discussions with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on the adequacy of the level of VAT charged on fares for (a) demand responsive transport and (b) other public transport services that use private hire vehicles with fewer than 10 seats. (8707)
- **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions Network Rail has had with JC Decaux on the potential costs of turning off their advertising hoardings at Euston Station. (8667)
- **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate she has made of Network Rail's potential loss of revenue from disabling the advertising board at London Euston station this financial year. (8668)
- **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of reducing the number of hours of care per week required to qualify for Carer's Allowance. (8726)
- **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of extending eligibility for Carer's Allowance to carers in full-time education. (8727)
- **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman's report into women's State Pension age changes, published on 21 March 2024, what recent discussions she has had with the Leader of the House on making parliamentary time available for a debate on financial redress before 19 December 2024. (8689)
- 47N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment her Department has made of the level of food insecurity in (a) England and (b) the South East.

 [Transferred] (8463)
- **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of Personal Independence Payments at supporting the extra costs of disability. (8747)
- **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to work with (a) disabled people and (b) disabled people's organisations to improve disabled people's experiences of the benefits system. (8748)
- Fabian Hamilton (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to help support unpaid carers. (8632)
- Claire Hanna (Belfast South and Mid Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will review the Government's policy on uprating the State Pension for people living overseas.

 (8684)

- Clive Lewis (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 11 September 2024 to Question 3732 on Pension Credit:

 Applications, how the Service Modernisation Programme will make service more user friendly and accessible for citizens; and what her planned timeline is for making those changes.
- Victoria Collins (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help tackle inequalities in maternal mortality rates for Black women and women from ethnic minority backgrounds. (8723)
- Victoria Collins (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve the provision of full-time community palliative and end of life care. (8728)
- Peter Dowd (Bootle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to take steps to prioritise improvement of care for (a) rare blood disorders and (b) other rare and ultra-rare conditions. (8646)
- Peter Dowd (Bootle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the progress of work under the UK Rare Diseases Framework; and what steps his Department plans to take to ensure that rare disease continues to be a health priority.

 (8647)
- 57 **Peter Dowd** (Bootle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what resources are available to support care coordination across (a) geographical areas and (b) disciplines for rare and ultra-rare conditions. (8648)
- Peter Dowd (Bootle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the benefits of the National Paroxysmal Nocturnal Haemoglobinuria (PNH) Service for care coordination for people with rare disease, and what steps his Department is taking to help such patients to access multidisciplinary care. (8649)
- 59 **Peter Dowd** (Bootle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will take steps with local Integrated Care Boards to help ensure that rare disease services are delivered according to the priorities set out in the Rare Disease Framework. (8650)
- 60 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he plans to take to create a National Care Service; and what his planned timetable is for this.
- 61 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the introduction of the National Care Institute for Health and Care Excellence severity modifier in 2022 on the

- (a) appraisal of Enhertu for HER2-low secondary breast cancer and (b) availability of new treatments for secondary breast cancer over the next (i) five years, (ii) ten years, and (iii) twenty years.

 (8732)
- 62 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to reduce accident and emergency waiting times at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Kings Lynn. (8627)
- Alex Mayer (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for
 Health and Social Care, what information his Department holds on the number of NHS
 prescription fines that have been issued to people on (a) contribution-based Employment
 Support Allowance and (b) Savings Credit in each of the last five years.

 (8720)
- 64 **Mark Pritchard** (The Wrekin): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to establish new reciprocal healthcare agreements with non-EU countries. (8634)
- 65 **Steve Race** (Exeter): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to continue the Hepatitis C opt-out testing programme beyond March 2025. (8687)
- Rebecca Smith (South West Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the impact of the Soft Drinks Industry Levy on children's (a) oral health and (b) associated dental care. (8736)
- 67 **Rebecca Smith** (South West Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department will publish voluntary industry guidelines on commercial infant and baby food and drink. (8737)
- Rebecca Smith (South West Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made an assessment of the nutritional content of commercial infant and baby foods.

 (8738)
- 69 **Rebecca Smith** (South West Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help increase referrals from GP surgeries to community pharmacies under the Pharmacy First service. (8739)
- 70 **Rebecca Smith** (South West Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of allowing community pharmacists to substitute prescription medication for generic alternatives in cases of medicine shortages. (8740)
- 71 **Rebecca Smith** (South West Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of community pharmacies have dispensed medications at a loss in each of the last three years. (8741)

- **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of the condition of Bedford Hospital. (8703)
- **Dan Tomlinson** (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to take steps to improve training for service providers on (a) Tourette's syndrome and (b) other tic disorders. (8735)
- **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether Ministers in his Department have met with representatives of Arden Strategies since 5 July 2024. (8629)
- Nigel Farage (Clacton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to work with young people to help prevent radicalisation.

 (8691)
- Nigel Farage (Clacton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent assessment her Department has made of the value for money of payments made to the French government to stop the departures of illegal boats travelling to the UK from northern France.
- **Nigel Farage** (Clacton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many small boats without permission to enter the UK departing from northern France have been disrupted this year, and of those how many migrants were (a) detained or (b) attempted a further crossing. (8693)
- **Nigel Farage** (Clacton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she has plans to offer an amnesty to illegal immigrants currently residing in the UK. (8694)
- **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to tackle illegal license plates. (8669)
- **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many illegal license plates have been seized by the police in each of the last five years. (8670)
- Clive Lewis (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 9 September 2024 to Question 2952 on Asylum: Temporary Accommodation, what alternative accommodation her Department plans to use to enable a reduction in the use of hotels; and how much funding she plans to provide for this purpose in each of the next three financial years. (8665)
- **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to improve approaches to tackling online crime. (8685)

- Mr Toby Perkins (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to (a) minimise disruption resulting from the transition to e-Visas and (b) ensure that older applicants are not disadvantaged by the move to an online system.

 (8635)
- **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when his Departments will publish a Contract Notice for Submarine Disposal following the Market Interest Day held on 6 July 2023. (8733)
- **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he plans to hold discussions with his AUKUS counterparts on including the Submarine Dismantling Project in that partnership. (8734)
- **Nigel Farage** (Clacton): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of the UK's military support for Ukraine on the readiness of the armed forces. (8696)
- **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment his Department has made of the role of Bedfordshire in the UK's military supply chain.

 (8704)
- **Ben Coleman** (Chelsea and Fulham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, if she will amend the Future Homes and Buildings
 Standards to ensure that all newbuild homes include solar photovoltaic panels. (8745)
- **Nigel Farage** (Clacton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department has had discussions with local authorities on the potential impact of the proposed outdoor smoking ban on local businesses. (8699)
- **Nigel Farage** (Clacton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many social housing places are currently accommodating asylum seekers in (a) Clacton and (b) the UK. (8700)
- **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department has made a recent assessment of the impact of population growth on housing supply. (8626)
- **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, what recent assessment her Department has made
 of the adequacy of the availability of land for burials. (8719)
- **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, how many people have successfully applied for
 the Home Ownership for People with Long-term Disabilities (HOLD) scheme since it was
 launched. (8683)

- 94 **Linsey Farnsworth** (Amber Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of reducing the cap on the number of Crown Court sitting days on the average time taken for cases to be heard. (8705)
- Olive Lewis (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if his Department will publish data on how many and what proportion of young people in prison in Norfolk who had special educational needs and disabilities in (a) 2022-23, (b) 2021-22, (c) the last five years and (d) the last ten years.
- 96 Jake Richards (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether she has made an assessment of the effectiveness of the process to determine the number of sitting days in the Crown Court in each financial year. (8690)
- 97 **James Wild** (North West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many offenders have received a life sentence for causing death by dangerous driving. (8681)
- James Wild (North West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of giving judges the power to compel offenders to appear in court for sentencing hearing for offences (a) that are punishable with imprisonment for 14 years or more and (b) where a life sentence (i) could or (ii) must be imposed.
- 99 **Mr Andrew Mitchell** (Sutton Coldfield): To ask the Prime Minister, with reference to the Point of Order of the Rt Hon. Member for Sutton Coldfield of 8 October 2024, Official Report, column 163, when he plans to respond to the correspondence of 6 September 2024 from Lord Howard of Lympne. (8633)
- 100 **Nigel Farage** (Clacton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many millionaires have left the UK since the announcement of changes to the tax status for non-UK domiciled individuals. (8695)
- 101 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of bank closures in (a) South Holland and the Deepings constituency and (b) Lincolnshire on (i) pensioners and (ii) small business owners.
- 102 Clive Lewis (Norwich South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 10 October 2024 to Question 7485 on Carbon Capture, Usage and Storage:

 Taxation, if she will hold discussion with carbon capture, usage and storage organisations in receipt of Government funding on (a) the location of their headquarters and (b) their tax status.
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of rises in energy costs on disabled people who use electronic aids and adaptations at home during Winter 2024-25. (8645)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 16 October

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Dr Danny Chambers** (Winchester): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department has made a recent assessment of the welfare of the Gentoo penguins at London aquarium. (8742)
- 2N **Dr Danny Chambers** (Winchester): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when the last Ministerial visit to an aquarium in the UK took place. (8743)
- 3N **Dr Danny Chambers** (Winchester): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when his Department last updated rules for (a) zoos and (b) aquariums on animal welfare. (8744)
- 4N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to help tackle food insecurity; and if she will make an assessment with the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care of the potential impact of these steps on (a) physical and (b) mental health. (8651)
- 5N Laurence Turner (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to publication entitled Government and Agenda for Change trade unions offer in principle, published by NHS Employers on 16 March 2023, whether it remains his Department's policy to implement the measures listed under the sub-section of that document entitled Pay setting process.

 [R] (8729)
- 6N Laurence Turner (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the hon. Member representing the House of Commons Commission, what the average cost was to the public purse of administering an Early Day Motion in the latest 12 months for which data is available. (8730)
- 7N **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will bring forward legislative proposals to ensure decisions of the First-tier Tribunal Immigration and Asylum Chamber are published on the same basis as decisions of the Upper Tribunal. (8672)

Questions for Answer on Thursday 17 October

Questions for Written Answer

1N Clive Lewis (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 9 September 2024 to Question 2948 on Special Educational Needs, what estimate she has made of when the review of Norfolk County Council's Safety Valve agreement will be completed. (8666)

- 2N **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department has undertaken an assessment of the potential impact of data processing by data centres on water usage. (8657)
- 3N **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions his Department has had with Ofwat on increased demand on water supply by data centres. (8658)
- 4N **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
 Innovation and Technology, what his Department's planned timetable is for making a
 decision on whether the parishes of (a) Warcop, (b) Hilton, (c) Murton and (d) Ormside
 will be included in Project Gigabit.

 [Transferred] (8416)
- 5N **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the hon. Member representing the House of Commons Commission, whether House officials made representations to Westminster City Council on the application for loudspeaker consent in Parliament Square on 30 October 2024.
- 6N **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the hon. Member representing the House of Commons Commission, what the Commission's policy is on objecting to applications received by Westminster City Council for loudspeaker consent in Parliament Square when the House is sitting. (8674)
- 7N **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, if she will have discussions with the Minister
 for Women and Equalities on a role for a Women and Equalities Minister in the crossgovernment strategy to tackle homelessness.

 [Transferred] (8485)
- 8N Clive Lewis (Norwich South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 4 October 2024 to Question 6322 on Databases: Blyth, whether HMRC has undertaken an assessment of the projected loss of tax receipts from Blackstone's data centre in Blyth Investment Zone as the result of tax relief. (8656)

Questions for Answer on Monday 21 October

Questions for Written Answer

1N Dr Ben Spencer (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to introduce flood performance certificates. (8675)

- 2N **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the Environment Agency's (a) actions and (b) policies in managing flood risk from watercourse in riparian ownership. (8678)
- 3N **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many enforcement actions relating to flood risk prevention were taken by the Environment Agency in each constituency in 2023. (8679)
- 4N **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the adequacy of lift (a) availability and (b) maintenance and repair at train stations. (8680)
- 5N **Richard Burgon** (Leeds East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent estimate her Department has made of the number of additional people that will register for Pension Credit between 1 September and 31 December 2024. (8652)
- 6N **Richard Burgon** (Leeds East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate her Department has made of the number of people who will be entitled to Pension Credit but will have not registered by (a) 31 December 2024 and (b) 1 April 2025.(8653)
- 7N **Richard Burgon** (Leeds East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department has plans to write to every person it believes is entitled to Pensions Credit but not currently claiming it. (8654)
- 8N **Richard Burgon** (Leeds East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how much her Department spends on publicity to increase the number of people registered for Pensions Credit. (8655)
- 9N **Steve Race** (Exeter): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how much and what proportion of funding remains to be (a) allocated and (b) spent through the Affordable Homes Programme. (8688)

Questions for Answer on Monday 28 October

Questions for Written Answer

1N **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to take steps to ensure that (a) new homes are not build on high risk flood areas and (b) cumulative development does not increase local flood risk. (8676)