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# Questions tabled on Thursday 31 October 2024

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## Questions for Answer on Monday 4 November

### **Questions for Written Answer**

Stuart Anderson (South Shropshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps his Department is taking to help increase participation in UK Parliament Week.

(12105)

- 2N **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham Hodge Hill and Solihull North): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the written statement entitled Cabinet Committees, published on 10 October 2024, HCWS118, for what reason the National Security Council Economic Security sub-committee has been abolished; and what steps are being taken to co-ordinate economic security policy. [Transferred] (11829)
- 3N **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham Hodge Hill and Solihull North): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the written statement entitled Cabinet Committees, published on 10 October 2024, HCWS118, for what reason the Secretary of State for Business and Trade is no longer a permanent member of the National Security Council.

[Transferred] (11836)

- 4 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, who has line management responsibility for the Envoy for the Nations and Regions. (12078)
- John Glen (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether his

  Department has conducted a Civil Service people survey since 4 July 2024. (12079)
- 6 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to (a) written statement entitled Cabinet Committees, published on 10 October 2024, HCWS118 and (b) his Department's publication entitled List of Cabinet

- Committees, updated on 21 October 2024, for what reason the Deputy Prime Minister was not listed as a member of the National Security Committee in the version published on 10 October. (12233)
- 7 **Sir Bernard Jenkin** (Harwich and North Essex): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, when he plans to respond to the First Report of the Liaison Committee of 2023-24 on Promoting national strategy: How select committee scrutiny can improve strategic thinking in Whitehall, HC 31, published on 29 May 2024; and whether he plans to establish a new national school for government and public services. (12023)
- 8 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Member for Battersea, representing the Church Commissioners, if the Commissioners will publish the legal costs of defending which bishops against claims that they failed to act appropriately in safeguarding matters in each of the last five years. (12112)
- 9 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Member for Battersea, representing the Church Commissioners, what steps the Commissioners are taking to help churches in rural areas undertake renovations in (a) parish halls and (b) other assets that can serve the wider community. (12103)
- Paula Barker (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to incentivise businesses to employ young people.(12211)
- 11N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what estimate he has made of how many people will be paid the increased national living wage in April 2025. [Transferred] (11832)
- Sir Iain Duncan Smith (Chingford and Woodford Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to (a) support the development of the UK's lithium industry and (b) enhance battery manufacturing capabilities. [Transferred] (11826)
- 13 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with which businesses the Minister for Industry had meetings on 30 October 2024.

  (12095)
- 14 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether any businesses have (a) withdrawn and (b) reduced their investment commitments following the International Investment Summit on 14 October 2024. (12102)
- 15 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether UK Export Finance is taking steps to support companies in Wokingham constituency sell their goods and services overseas. (12171)
- Carla Lockhart (Upper Bann): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of the Fireworks Regulations 2004 in protecting

  (a) people and (b) animals from negative impacts of fireworks. (12158)

- Jerome Mayhew (Broadland and Fakenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to paragraph 4.91 of the Autumn Budget 2024, what proportion of the additional funding will be used to (a) administer the compensation scheme and (b) fund the public inquiry. (12142)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 14 October 2024 to Question 5919 on Financial Services:

  Liechtenstein, whether he has had any meetings with his Liechtenstein counterpart. (12046)
- 19 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he has met with the Agent-General of (a) New South Wales, (b) Queensland, (c) South Australia, (d) Tasmania, (e) Victoria, and (f) Western Australia. (12047)
- 20 Laurence Turner (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 24 October 2024 to Question 10062 on Animal Welfare: Fireworks, what the Government's planned timetable is for reviewing the existing policy.
  [Transferred] (11985)
- 21 Laurence Turner (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 24 October 2024 to Question 10062 on Animal Welfare: Fireworks, what form of engagement the Government plans to undertake with charities on its review of existing policy.

  [Transferred] (11987)
- 22N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment her Department has made of the adequacy of the provision of youth services in Slough constituency.

  [Transferred] (11887)
- 23 Abtisam Mohamed (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to support charities in Sheffield Central constituency. (12230)
- 24 **Abtisam Mohamed** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of increasing national funding for charities. (12232)
- 25 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will make an estimate of the economic contribution of adult gaming centres to (a) high streets and (b) town centres. (12031)
- 26 **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to support the Welsh National Opera. (12116)
- 27 Lee Anderson (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what plans his Department has to support students with special needs in the Ashfield and Mansfield district. (12109)

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- 29 **Liam Conlon** (Beckenham and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to improve support for children with (a) autism and (b) SEND in mainstream settings in Beckenham and Penge constituency. (12241)
- 30 **Dr Beccy Cooper** (Worthing West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to empower local authorities to reduce the waiting times for EHCP to be processed. (12162)
- Damian Hinds (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the policy paper entitled Applying VAT to private school fees, published on 30 October 2024, what discussions she has had with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on the potential impact of the expected increase in the number of pupils at state schools in each (a) age group and (b) region. (12040)
- Damian Hinds (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to HMRC's policy paper entitled Applying VAT to private school fees, published on 30 October 2024, whether she has had discussions with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on the potential range of the number of children leaving independent schools; and what estimate she has made of the maximum likely number. (12041)
- 33 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to monitor the potential impact of VAT on independent schools on pupil numbers in those schools. (12042)
- 34 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to paragraph 4.11 of the Autumn Budget 2024, whether she plans to fund breakfasts in all primary schools. (12043)
- Damian Hinds (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to paragraph 4.11 of the Autumn Budget 2024, how she plans to allocate the funding for free breakfast clubs between (a) mainstream primary schools, (b) mainstream secondary schools, (c) special schools and (d) other settings. (12044)
- 36 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the change in the core schools budget will be for (a) 2025-6, (b) 2026-7 and (c) 2027-8 (i) in total and (ii) per pupil. (12062)
- 37 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to paragraph 4.8 of the Autumn Budget 2024, how she plans to allocate the additional (a) SEND and (b) Alternative Provision funding. (12063)

- 38 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to paragraph 4.10 of the Autumn Budget 2024, for what reason the launch date of the Lifelong Learning Entitlement has been revised. (12064)
- 39 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to paragraph 4.10 of the Autumn Budget 2024, published on 30 October 2024, HC 295, when she plans to announce details of new foundation and shorter apprenticeships. (12066)
- 40 Damian Hinds (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to paragraph 4.10 of the Autumn Budget 2024, published on 30 October 2024, HC 295, in which key sectors there will be new foundation and shorter apprenticeships.
  (12067)
- Damian Hinds (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to paragraph 4.10 of the Autumn Budget 2024, published on 30 August 2024, HC 295, how new foundation and shorter apprenticeships are different to the model of traineeships in operation until July 2023. (12068)
- 42 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of changes to employer national insurance contributions on SEND cost pressures. (12069)
- 43 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will adjust childcare hourly funding rates to reflect changes to employer NICs. (12070)
- Damian Hinds (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of changes to employer national insurance contributions on each sector for which her Department has responsibility. (12071)
- 45 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many apprentices there were in her Department in each of the last five years. (12204)
- 46 **Abtisam Mohamed** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the increase in National Insurance employer contributions on university finances. (12223)
- 47 **Abtisam Mohamed** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, which levels of study the Future opportunity Market testing for Home Office English Language Testing (HOELT) services, notice reference: 2024/S 000-027422, published on 28 August 2024 applies to. (12225)
- 48 **Abtisam Mohamed** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment has she made of the adequacy of the level of maintenance support available to students in England. (12227)

- 49 **Abtisam Mohamed** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to help ensure the financial sustainability of universities. (12228)
- Abtisam Mohamed (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what funding is available to universities via the Strategic Priorities Grant. (12229)
- 51 **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Wyre): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will take steps to provide additional funding to Social Work England for the provision of additional fitness to practice final hearings. (12085)
- Mr Andrew Snowden (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department plans to provide additional funding to increase the number of school places in Fylde before January 2025, in the context of the introduction of VAT on independent school fees.

  (12182)
- James Wild (North West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 29 October to Question 11052 on Free Schools, if she will list the 44 projects.

  (12117)
- 54 **Sarah Gibson** (Chippenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent assessment has been made of the adequacy of the UK's Sustainability Disclosure Requirements: and whether the Government plans to publish an updated review timeline. (12209)
- 55 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the effectiveness of animal welfare penalty notices. (12104)
- Steve Barclay (North East Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what data the Rural Payments Agency holds on the (a) area and (b) value of (i) farms and (ii) farmland at a (A) hereditament and (B) local authority level.
- 57 **Steve Barclay** (North East Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what data his Department holds on the (a) area and (b) value of (i) farms and (ii) farmland at a (A) hereditament and (B) local authority level.

  (12074)
- 58 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether data collected through his Department's farm practices survey informs the assessment of progress on meeting legally binding targets set out in the Environment Act 2021. (12153)
- 59 **Liam Conlon** (Beckenham and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what progress his Department has made on tackling illegal water pollution in rivers (a) nationally and (b) in Beckenham and Penge constituency. (12212)

- **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of banning greyhound racing in England.

  [Transferred] (12021)
- **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate his Department has made of the number of farmers who will be affected by the withdrawal of agricultural property relief in Thirsk and Malton constituency.

  (12101)
- **Carla Lockhart** (Upper Bann): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what (a) resources and (b) training his Department provides to the Animal and Plant Health Agency to assist in the detection of puppies being smuggled through UK ports.

  (12157)
- Rupert Lowe (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many complaints to his Department from farmers there were in each of the last five years.

  (12206)
- Rupert Lowe (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what the average (a) waiting time for people calling and (b) time people spent on hold for his Department was in each of the last five years. (12207)
- **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to paragraph 2.51 of Autumn Budget 2024, HC 295, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of changes to Agricultural Property Relief on food security. (12165)
- **Abtisam Mohamed** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to strengthen animal welfare.

  (12236)
- **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has had recent discussions with the Chief Executive of the Environment Agency on closures to parts of the Thames Path. (12048)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of extending the Thames Path to Essex along the Thames Estuary. (12049)
- **Sir Alec Shelbrooke** (Wetherby and Easingwold): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment has he made of the potential impact of solar farms on soil (a) carbon storage, (b) structure and (c) biodiversity. (12061)
- **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how much funding his Department plans to provide for flood defences in Fylde constituency in the 2025-26 financial year. (12183)

- 71 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to paragraph 2.51 of the Autumn Budget 2024, published on 30 October 2024, HC 295, following the budget which removed the Agricultural Property Relief, what guidance his Department issues to small business farmers who wish to keep an inherited family farm. (12185)
- 72N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what recent assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of powers to remove (a) false, (b) inciting and (c) otherwise harmful content from online platforms.

  [Transferred] (11856)
- 73N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central and West): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, with reference to Table 4.14 of Autumn Budget 2024, HC 295, published on 30 October 2024, whether the £14.7bn capital DEL funding settlement for the Department for Science, Innovation and Technology for 2025-26 includes the £2.7bn for association to EU research programmes. [Transferred] (11880)
- 74 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central and West): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, with reference to paragraph 3.70 of the Autumn Budget 2024, HC 295, published on 30 October 2024, what funding his Department has allocated to extend the Innovation Accelerators programme. [Transferred] (11883)
- 75 **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South and Walkden): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether his Department is taking steps to help support the transition from animal testing to new approach methodologies. (12045)
- 76 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the Better Buses Bill on connectivity in (a) rural and (b) underserved areas; and whether she plans to allow community transport schemes to participate in the enhanced bus services framework under the Bill.

  (12096)
- 77 Ian Sollom (St Neots and Mid Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for
  Transport, if she will carry out an assessment of the impact of the regulatory changes to
  volumetric concrete mobile plants in 2018 on the construction industry. (12239)
- 78 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department plans to take to provide safe and affordable (a) assisted living facilities and (b) other housing options for elderly citizens. (12110)
- 79 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of benefits sanctions on children in the households of those sanctioned. (12240)
- Anna Dixon (Shipley): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department is taking steps to provide financial support to people to make deposit payments on wheelchair accessible vehicles. (12244)

- **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 31 October 2024 to Question 11172 on Workplace Pensions, what her planned timetable is for the Pensions Review. (12215)
- Rupert Lowe (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the average (a) waiting time for people calling and (b) time people spent on hold for (i)

  Job Centre Plus, (ii) the Universal Credit helpline and (iii) the Personal Independence

  Payment helpline was in each of the last five years. (12208)
- **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many claims for pension credit there were in each week from 23 September to 28 October 2024.
- **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many pension credit claims were processed within her Department's planned timescale in 2024.
- **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people were waiting to be assessed for pension credit on 29 July 2024. (12099)
- Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people were waiting to be assessed for pension credit on 28 October 2024. (12100)
- **Rebecca Smith** (South West Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether she has made an assessment of the potential impact of the Child Maintenance Service on the mental health of paying parents. (12184)
- **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an estimate of the number of unpaid carers in Runcorn and Helsby constituency. (12120)
- **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, which locations in Ashfield are currently providing the Pfizer covid-19 vaccine for people who are unable to have the Modena vaccine for health reasons. (12106)
- **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department plans to take to ensure that men at risk of prostate cancer can access the PSA blood test. (12107)
- **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department plans to take to increase the number of healthcare professionals in rural areas. (12108)
- **Adam Dance** (Yeovil): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to paragraph 4.11 of the Autumn Budget 2024, published on 30 October 2024, HC 295, whether the £69 million to continue delivery of a network of Family Hubs will be used to include (a) more and (b) all local authorities in the programme. (12154)

- Carla Denyer (Bristol Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 17 October 2024 to Question 8297 on Prisons: Food and Prescription Drugs, what steps he is taking to monitor the adequacy of (a) suicide prevention provision, (b) palliative care, (c) medical emergency care and (d) mental health care in prisons; and whether she has made an assessment of the adequacy of those steps.
- **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made an assessment with Cabinet colleagues of the potential impact of fireworks on veterans (a) with PTSD and (b) experiencing other war-related mental health trauma.

  [Transferred] (12016)
- **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much the NHS paid in compensation in each of the last five years. (12205)
- **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to (a) reduce waiting times for gynaecological procedures and (b) help support women's health. (12156)
- **Abtisam Mohamed** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help improve cancer outcomes among children and young people. (12234)
- **Abtisam Mohamed** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure that children and young people diagnosed with cancer receive adequate mental health support. (12235)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton and Winchmore Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to regulate the provision of injections of (a) dermal fillers and (b) weight-loss medications. (12089)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton and Winchmore Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with his
  Ethiopian counterpart on the conflict in Amhara region. (12086)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton and Winchmore Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of the matters raised in the Amnesty International press release entitled Ethiopia: Human rights bodies failure to act as justice continues to elude victims of atrocities, published on 6 August 2024. (12087)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton and Winchmore Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to help ensure that UK
  aid is able to pass into the Amhara region of Ethiopia. (12088)

- 103 **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the treaty on the transfer of sovereignty of the Chagos Islands to Mauritius will guarantee Chagossians (a) the right to return to the outer islands, (b) restitution of the islands and (ci) an independent award of compensation after consultation with the Chagossian people. (12147)
- 104 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has met with his Bangladeshi counterpart since 4 August 2024. (12033)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had discussions with his counterparts in the Pacific region on the potential merits of upgrading Honorary Consulates in (a) the Solomon Islands, (b) Vanuatu and (c) Tuvalu to High Commissions. (12034)
- 106 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has met with the administrators of (a) Tristan da Cunha and (b) Ascension Island since the Government's asylum agreement with St Helena was concluded. (12035)
- 107 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what discussions she has had with police forces on how to effectively enforce the law in respect to buffer zones around abortion clinics. (12214)
- Suella Braverman (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many police officers have medically retired from active duty due to (a) physical and (b) psychological (i) injury and (ii) trauma in the last five years. (12127)
- 109 **Suella Braverman** (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what data her Department holds on the number of police officers that are restricted from active duty due to (a) physical and (b) psychological injury; and if she will make an estimate of the average period of time that officers have been on (i) longterm sick leave and (ii) restricted duties in each of the last five years. (12128)
- Suella Braverman (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make it her policy to publish where funds from the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 are distributed. (12129)
- 111 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the cost of Aspen cards was to the public purse in each of the last five years. (12166)
- 112 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many asylum seekers in the British Indian Ocean Territory have received medical treatment in the last three years; in what countries that treatment was provided; and at what cost. (12055)

- Priti Patel (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department plans to continue to use the Wethersfield site to provide accommodation for asylum seekers. (12056)
- Priti Patel (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate her Department has made of the number of asylum seekers who will be accommodated at Wethersfield in (a) 2024 and (b) each of the next five years. (12057)
- Priti Patel (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate her Department has made of the cost of operating the Wethersfield site for asylum accommodation in each of the next five years. (12058)
- Priti Patel (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the (a) average and (b) total cost of financial support provided to asylum seekers at the Wethersfield site was in the last 12 months. (12059)
- Priti Patel (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate her Department has made of the number of small boat arrivals there will be by the end of (a) 2024 and (b) 2025. (12060)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent discussions she has had with her US counterpart on establishing US preclearance facilities at London Heathrow Airport.

  [Transferred] (11841)
- 119 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent discussions she has had with the Metropolitan Police on investigating shoplifting offences where the value of goods stolen is less than £200. (12030)
- David Simmonds (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to paragraph 4.20 of the Autumn Budget 2024, HC 295, published on 30 October 2024, how much funding will be provided to police forces to help increase the number of neighbourhood officers and Police Community Support Officers; and in which financial years will this funding be made available. [Transferred] (11934)
- 121 **Rebecca Smith** (South West Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what her timetable is for bringing forward the secondary legislation under the Equipment Theft (Prevention) Act 2023 to define the minimum standards for (a) immobilisers and (b) forensic markings required at point of sale. (12189)
- 122 **Luke Taylor** (Sutton and Cheam): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to ensure police officers are more able to (a) identify and (b) respond to stalking crimes. (12163)
- 123 **Luke Taylor** (Sutton and Cheam): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to improve support to victims of stalking. (12164)

- **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, If she will bring forward legislative proposals to allow (a) police forces and (b) local councils to keep speeding fines from fixed point cameras to fund further safety measures on the highway network. (12191)
- **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 28 October to Question 10454 on Strategic Defence Review, whether all submissions by Parliamentarians will be read in the first instance by human beings, before the use of artificial intelligence. (12126)
- **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of his timetable for reaching 2.5% GDP of expenditure on engineer retention in the armed forces. (12130)
- **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of his timetable for reaching 2.5% GDP of expenditure on helicopter pilot training in the armed forces. (12131)
- **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he plans to (a) continue and (b) amend the Defence STEM Undergraduate scheme. (12132)
- **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of the ratio of STEM-related MOD Apprenticeship schemes to Civilian MOD Apprenticeship schemes. (12133)
- **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has made an assessment of the potential implications for his policies recommendation of the Haythornthwaite Review that the Armed Forces trial new total reward approaches for (a) engineers and (b) other key skills cohorts. (12134)
- **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many helicopter engineers are employed at RAF Shawbury. (12135)
- **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an estimate of how many helicopter pilots at RAF Shawbury will be unable to complete their training on schedule this year. (12136)
- **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many Research and Development programmes were listed under the Defence Sourcing Portal in the last twelve months. (12138)
- **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he plans to continue providing funding for NATO's Defence Innovation Accelerator for the North Atlantic into 2025/26. (12139)
- **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent discussions he has had with the Defence Innovation Accelerator for the North Atlantic. (12140)

- **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether the manufacture of large-calibre gun barrels as part of the Trinity House Agreement will exclusively use recycled British steel. (12141)
- **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential impact that closing blast furnaces in (a) Port Talbot and (b) Scunthorpe on the UK's (i) virgin steel supply and (ii) defence industry. (12143)
- **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when he plans that the GUARDIAN Air Command and Control system based in the UK will reach full operating capability. (12144)
- **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when he plans that the GUARDIAN Air Command and Control system based in the Falklands will reach full operating capability. (12145)
- **Carla Lockhart** (Upper Bann): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to ensure that former Armed Forces personnel based in Northern Ireland are adequately supported through veterans' services. (12160)
- Carla Lockhart (Upper Bann): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to ensure that Northern Ireland is integrated into the national defence strategy for (a) cyber defence and (b) hybrid threats. (12161)
- **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has met with his New Zealand counterpart. (12050)
- **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of New Zealand joining the AUKUS partnership. (12051)
- **Dr Neil Shastri-Hurst** (Solihull West and Shirley): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what his policy is on the future of the Tempest programme. (12149)
- **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department's budget for 2025-26 includes 24 Typhoon jets. (12181)
- **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to secure
  contributions towards the costs of building safety remediation from cladding
  manufacturers. (12118)
- **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, what assessment her Department has made of the
  effectiveness of the Fire Safety Reinsurance Facility. (12119)

- **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,

  Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to support
  local authorities in maintaining parks in cities. (12216)
- **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, how many social houses will be built by housing
  associations with Government support in the next 12 months. (12217)
- **Ben Coleman** (Chelsea and Fulham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,

  Communities and Local Government, what information her Department holds on the

  average time taken by the Property Ombudsman to reach a decision on complaints. (12172)
- **Ben Coleman** (Chelsea and Fulham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, what information her Department holds on how
  many and what proportion of complaints to the Property Ombudsman have been
  outstanding for three months or more. (12173)
- **Ben Coleman** (Chelsea and Fulham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, if she will hold discussions with the Property
  Ombudsman on potential measures to enable the Ombudsman to respond more quickly to
  complaints. (12174)
- **Liam Conlon** (Beckenham and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, whether her Department plans to work with
  Community Land Trusts in providing affordable housing as part of the Government's
  Affordable Homes Programme. (12210)
- John Glen (Salisbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will ask the Office for National Statistics to publish data on the number and proportion of households that have only one adult in each local authority. (12084)
- **Carla Lockhart** (Upper Bann): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment her Department has made of the potential merits of introducing a right of tenants in social housing to keep a pet. (12159)
- **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to meet with the Chief Executive of London Councils in the next 12 months. (12032)
- **Rebecca Smith** (South West Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,

  Communities and Local Government, when she plans to publish the report of the Older

  People's Housing Taskforce. (12221)
- **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what funding is available for the redevelopment of town centres in Fylde constituency. (12180)

- 159 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will make an estimate of the average time taken for theft cases to be processed through the courts in each year since 2019. (12192)
- Rupert Lowe (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 25 October 2024 to Question 9762 on Offenders: Foreign Nationals, if her Department will commit to publishing a breakdown of foreign national offenders by nationality for (a) rape, (b) murder, (c) drug trafficking and (d) sexual offences for each of the last five years.
- 161 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many foreign criminals were granted temporary release in each of the last five years. (12199)
- 162 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the reoffending rate of foreign national offenders was in each of the last five years. (12200)
- Rupert Lowe (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, for a breakdown by nationality of how many people of what nationality were found guilty of stalking involving fear of violence in each of the last five years. (12201)
- 164 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will publish a breakdown of the sex offenders register by nationality. (12202)
- Rupert Lowe (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many and what proportion of prison cells were not in use due to (a) disrepair and (b) poor estate conditions in October 2024. (12203)
- 166 **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Wyre): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether she plans to implement the new fair deal policy for pensions for prison education staff employed by further education colleges. (12090)
- 167 **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Wyre): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will make it her policy that contracts for the provision of prison education should include requirements to implement the new fair deal policy for pensions for affected staff. (12091)
- 168 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Prime Minister, if he will re-install the customer experience machines at 10 Downing Street. (12080)
- John Glen (Salisbury): To ask the Prime Minister, how many senior civil servants in his office have (a) left and (b)announced their intention to leave since 4 July 2024. (12081)
- 170 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Prime Minister, whether there was a cost to the public purse of the performance by Sir Elton John at the International Investment Summit. (12222)

- **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Prime Minister, pursuant to the answer of 21 October 2024, to Question HL1279, on Ministers: Official Gifts, whether he will pay a tax charge on his gifts from Lord Alli. (12226)
- **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Prime Minister, whether he plans to reinstate the portrait of Horatio Nelson in 10 Downing Street once it has undertaken its restoration work by the Government Art Collection. (12231)
- **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of increasing the minimum wage on SMEs; and whether she plans to provide additional support to SMEs. (12111)
- **Steve Barclay** (North East Cambridgeshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to page 118 of Autumn Budget 2024, HC 295, and page 32 of the Budget Policy Costings document, if she will publish the (a) methodology and (b) data sources on how the revenue from the (i) agricultural property relief and (ii) business property relief was estimated. (12075)
- **Steve Barclay** (North East Cambridgeshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what data HM Revenue and Customs holds on the (a) area and (b) value of (i) farms and (ii) farmland.

  (12076)
- **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she plans to make changes to funding levels of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund in Northern Ireland. (12169)
- **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to HMRC's policy paper entitled Applying VAT to private school fees, published on 30 October 2024, if she will publish detail of the analysis that produced an estimate of 37,000 fewer pupils in independent schools and 35,000 more pupils in the state sector. (12037)
- Damian Hinds (East Hampshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the policy paper entitled Applying VAT to private school fees, published on 30 October 2024, if she will make an estimate of potential increases in the number of pupils in secondary state education in each of the next five financial years, broken down by each local authority; and if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of those increases on levels of available state secondary school education places in those local authority areas.
- **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 28 October 2024 to Question 10422 on Private Education: VAT, if she make an estimate of the cost to the public purse of VAT reclaimed by independent schools for capital spending for items under ten years old. (12039)
- **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to paragraph 4.10 of the Autumn Budget 2024, published on 30 October 2024, HC 295, what the fiscal effect is of revised launch date of the Lifelong Learning Entitlement. (12065)

- 181 Andrew Lewin (Welwyn Hatfield): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the potential economic impact of retaining British Summer Time all year round. (12242)
- Rupert Lowe (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to paragraph 5.54 of Autumn Budget 2024, HC 295, published on 30 October 2024, whether her Department has carried out an impact assessment on the proposed changes to agricultural property relief.

  [Transferred] (12001)
- 183 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate he has made of the cost to the public purse of implementing a change to the Agricultural Property Relief rate. (12238)
- 184 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central and West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to paragraph 3.19 of Autumn Budget 2024, HC 295, whether the funding for growth-driving sectors will be allocated to the Department for Business and Trade.
- 185 **Tonia Antoniazzi** (Gower): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what steps her

  Department is taking to reduce Commercial Sexual Exploitation in Gower. (12093)

## Questions for Answer on Tuesday 5 November

#### **Questions for Written Answer**

- Helen Morgan (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade,
   when he expects to agree new phytosanitary arrangements with the EU for (a) agricultural
   and (b) horticultural businesses. (12152)
- 2N **Dr Simon Opher** (Stroud): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what recent discussions she has had with UNESCO on the proposed application for Dr Edward Jenner's house in Berkeley to receive world heritage statue. (12188)
- Net Zero, if he will bring forward legislative proposals to extend the (a) statutory and (b) regulatory standards for drilling boreholes in mineral exploration or evaluation to the drilling of boreholes for the purposes of installing ground-source heat pumps; and whether his Department plans to introduce safety legislation for borehole drilling on private land.
- 4N **Steff Aquarone** (North Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of (a) progress towards risk-reflective pricing for insurance in areas of high flood risk and (b) market readiness for the scheduled exit of Flood Re in 2039. (12237)

- 5N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central and West): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what the evidential basis is for the calculation that the increase in his Department's R&D budget to £13.9 billion is a rise by 8.5% in real terms.

  (12053)
- 6N **Robin Swann** (South Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will publish a breakdown of funding for passengers with reduced mobility services at United Kingdom airports provided by her Department. (12186)
- 7N **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of allowing English National Concessionary Travel Scheme bus passes to be used before 9.30 am. (12190)
- 8N **Dr Danny Chambers** (Winchester): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has had discussions with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on raising the public health grant allocated to local authorities. (12178)
- 9N **Dr Danny Chambers** (Winchester): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what proportion of the total health and social care budget was allocated to the public health grant in each of the last five years. (12179)
- 10N **Jayne Kirkham** (Truro and Falmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of making retrospective payments to student nurses who were not eligible for the £5,000 annual training grant through the NHS Learning Support Fund since 2019. (12219)
- 11N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve public health services focusing on (a) smoking cessation, (b) drug and alcohol and (c) children's health. (12175)
- 12N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made an assessment of the implications for his Department's policies of the report entitled Return on investment of public health interventions: a systematic review, published in March 2017.

. (12176)

- 13N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of an increase in employers national insurance contributions on GP surgeries' finances. (12177)
- 14N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to paragraph 2.72 of the Autumn Budget 2024, published on 30 October 2024, HC 295, whether the £600 million for social care is in addition to Accelerating Reform Fund money yet to be released to councils. (12187)

- 15N **Samantha Niblett** (South Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what comparative assessment he has made of the potential impact of (a) face-to-face meetings and (b) phone appointments for maternity care on patient outcomes. (12243)
- 16N **Ruth Jones** (Newport West and Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what his assessment he has made of the
  adequacy of the international community's response to (a) attacks on and (b) threats
  against (i) Shia Muslims, (ii) Christians, (iii) Ahmadis, (iv) Hindus, (v) Sikhs and (vi) other
  religious minorities in Pakistan.

  (12113)
- 17N **Ruth Jones** (Newport West and Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential
  impact of the Parliamentary Under-Secretary's meeting with Pakistani Human Rights
  Minister on 4 September 2024 on violations of freedom of religion or belief in that country;
  and when the Parliamentary Under-Secretary next plans to meet (a) that Minister and (b)
  his Pakistani counterpart.
- 18N **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Stamford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department has made an estimate

  of the number of UK nationals affected by the floods in Spain. (12092)
- 19N **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Stamford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has (a) offered assistance to the
  Spanish Government following the recent flooding and (b) held discussions with his
  Spanish counterpart on the floods. (12167)
- 20N **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Stamford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has allocated additional resources
  to the British Embassy and Consulates in Spain following the recent flooding. (12168)
- 21N **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion Preseli): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 14 October 2024 to Question 7336 on Israel: Palestinians, what criteria his Department uses to assess the UK's funding for UNRWA following the resumption of funding in July 2024. (12137)
- 22N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he plans to take to help ensure that
  Chagossians (a) in the UK and (b) globally are consulted before conclusion of a treaty on
  the transfer of sovereignty of the Chagos Islands to Mauritius. (12146)
- 23N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if his Department will take steps to facilitate the
  return of Chagossians to Diego Garcia. (12148)

- 24N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when her Department last reviewed the (a) structures, (b) weaponry and (c) capability of (i) loyalist and (ii) republican terror groups in Northern Ireland; and if she will publish that review. (12036)
- 25N David Davis (Goole and Pocklington): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 28 October 2024 to Question 10678 on Deportation and Detainees, if she will issue cross-Departmental guidance on the public disclosure of unpublished data. (12027)
- 26N David Davis (Goole and Pocklington): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 28 October 2024 to Question 10678 on Deportation and Detainees, what steps she takes to ensure that her Department follows the Office for Statistics Regulation's guidance on data transparency. (12028)
- 27N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an estimate of the potential cost of funding pay rises for armed forces personnel in each of the next three financial years. (12121)
- 28N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether the additional funding for Continuity of Education Allowance to compensate for introducing VAT on private school fees will come from the Ministry of Defence budget. (12122)
- 29N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will provide a breakdown of the additional money he will release for munitions procurement as part of the £2.9bn defence spending announced in the Autumn Budget 2024, HC 295, published on 30 October 2024. (12123)
- 30N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what is the cost of the Military Strategic Headquarters. (12124)
- 31N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the keynote recording of the Chief of the General Staff at the RUSI Land Warfare Conference 2024, published on 23 June 2024, whether his Department has taken recent steps to double the lethality of the British Army by 2027 and treble it by 2030. (12029)
- 32N **Sir Bernard Jenkin** (Harwich and North Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the fire in a submarine construction facility in Barrow-in-Furness on delivery of the AUKUS submarine programme. (12024)
- 33N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what plans he has for the (a) establishment and (b) work of the Castlereagh Foundation. (12025)
- 34N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she plans to expand the pilot No Interest Loan Scheme to Northern Ireland. (12026)

35N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to her Department's policy paper entitled Fixing the foundations: public spending audit 2024-25, updated on 2 August 2024, whether the results of the Spending Review will be announced at a future fiscal event. (12125)

## Questions for Answer on Wednesday 6 November

#### **Questions for Written Answer**

- 1N **Samantha Niblett** (South Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to increase teacher retention. (12194)
- 2N **Mark Garnier** (Wyre Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to paragraph 3.71 of Autumn Budget 2024, HC 295, published on 30 October 2024, how much funding will be available for fusion energy research in the 2025-26 financial year.
- 3N **Josh Newbury** (Cannock Chase): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many (a) pensioners and (b) dependents are recipients of the British Coal Staff Superannuation Scheme in Cannock Chase constituency. (12155)
- 4N **Jayne Kirkham** (Truro and Falmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of expanding schemes to reintroduce beavers into the wild. (12218)
- Sarah Green (Chesham and Amersham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of guidance provided to people on (a) the process and (b) timelines in relation to the admissibility of any complaint to the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman. (12170)
- 6N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many assessments for destitution her Department has made for people subject to No Recourse to Public Funds conditions in each of the last five years. (12077)
- 7N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department will distinguish between (a) relocation, (b) estate and (c) property agents within the housing sector in the context of the draft Leasehold and Commonhold Reform Bill. (12082)
- 8N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she has made an assessment of the potential impact of the draft Leasehold and Commonhold Reform Bill on relocation agents. (12083)

- 9N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Prime Minister, for what reason the Prime Minister's new Envoy for the Nations and Regions did not attend the first meeting of the Council for the Nations and Regions. (12224)
- 10N **Mark Garnier** (Wyre Forest): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she has made an assessment of the potential impact of the removal of the investment allowance on the amount of (a) oil and (b) gas extracted from the North Sea in the next five years.

[Transferred] (11877)

11N **Graham Stuart** (Beverley and Holderness): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to paragraph 2.51 of the Autumn Budget 2024, on what evidential basis she reduced Agricultural Property Relief on combined agricultural and business assets valued over £1 million. (12052)

### Oral Questions to the Prime Minister

1	<b>Jon Trickett</b> (Normanton and Hemsworth): If he will list his official engagements for Wedneson November.	day 6 (901087)
2	Dame Caroline Dinenage (Gosport):	(901088)
3	Jacob Collier (Burton and Uttoxeter):	(901089)
4	Matthew Patrick (Wirral West):	(901090)
5	George Freeman (Mid Norfolk):	(901091)
6	Alex Baker (Aldershot):	(901092)
7	Neil Coyle (Bermondsey and Old Southwark):	(901093)
8	Catherine Fookes (Monmouthshire):	(901094)
9	Sir Edward Leigh (Gainsborough):	(901095)
10	Mary Glindon (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend):	(901096)
11	Phil Brickell (Bolton West):	(901097)
12	Clive Lewis (Norwich South):	(901098)
13	Llinos Medi (Ynys Môn):	(901099)
14	Victoria Collins (Harpenden and Berkhamsted):	(901100)
15	Torcuil Crichton (Na h-Eileanan an Iar):	(901101)

## Questions for Answer on Monday 11 November

#### **Questions for Written Answer**

- 1N **Samantha Niblett** (South Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what plans she has to regulate Women's Football. (12198)
- 2N **Tonia Antoniazzi** (Gower): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps his Department is taking to tackle the harmful effects of pornography in Gower constituency. (12094)
- 3N **Samantha Niblett** (South Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps he is taking to widen access to digital skills training. (12195)
- 4N **Samantha Niblett** (South Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps he is taking to increase investment in women-led start up technology businesses. (12196)
- 5N **Samantha Niblett** (South Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
  Innovation and Technology, what discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on
  artificial intelligence and its role in economic growth. (12197)
- 6N **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with his

  Israeli counterpart on allowing medical aid into Gaza. (12220)

## Questions for Answer on Tuesday 3 December

#### **Questions for Written Answer**

1N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will pause action related to the IR35 loan charge while the newly announced review is underway. (12072)