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Questions tabled on Tuesday 12 November 2024

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- T Indicates a topical oral question. Members are selected by ballot to ask a Topical Question.
- † Indicates a Question not included in the random selection process but accepted because the quota for that day had not been filled.
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- [R] Indicates that a relevant interest has been declared.
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Questions for Answer on Wednesday 13 November

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Dr Becky Cooper** (Worthing West): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, when his Department plans to publish updated (a) life expectancy and (b) healthy life expectancy statistics for (i) electoral wards and (ii) middle layer super output areas. [Transferred] (13726)
- 2 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether machinery of Government changes have been made to the AI and data science capability functions in the Prime Minister's Office since 4 July 2024. [Transferred] (13433)
- 3 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will publish the (a) terms of reference and (b) rules of procedure for the Committee on the Grant of Honours, Decorations, and Medals. [Transferred] (13436)
- 4 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many receptions have taken place in Downing Street since the general election which were (a) funded by the taxpayer and (b) funded through political donations. [Transferred] (13437)
- 5 **Mr Connor Rand** (Altrincham and Sale West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many people used shared parental leave in the last year. [Transferred] (13608)
- 6 **Mr Connor Rand** (Altrincham and Sale West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if his Department can publish a sectoral breakdown of shared parental leave take up in the last 12 months. [Transferred] (13609)

- 7 **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made an assessment of the potential impact of changes to (a) employer national insurance contributions and (b) the level of the minimum wage on the number of (i) apprenticeship starts for young people and (ii) apprenticeship providers. [Transferred] (13670)
- 8 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an assessment with Cabinet colleagues of the potential impact of Chinese-manufactured wind turbines in UK wind farms on (a) national and (b) energy security. (13797)
- 9 **Tim Roca** (Macclesfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make two weeks the maximum time between bin collections. [Transferred] (13722)
- 10 **Melanie Onn** (Great Grimsby and Cleethorpes): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to develop the electrification of ports. [Transferred] (13494)
- 11 **Melanie Onn** (Great Grimsby and Cleethorpes): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment she has made of the effectiveness of UK SHORE funding; and what is the status of the future of that funding. [Transferred] (13495)
- 12 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent steps she has taken to support pensioners with the lowest incomes in Newcastle-under-Lyme constituency. [Transferred] (13541)
- 13 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to incentivise private sector investment into research for (a) brain tumours and (b) other rare diseases. [Transferred] (13697)
- 14 **Chris Law** (Dundee Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if his Department will take steps to review the reporting methodology for in-donor refugee costs. [Transferred] (13492)
- 15 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will introduce a national capability for flood rescue (a) led by Fire and Rescue Authorities and (b) underpinned by a statutory duty. [Transferred] (13705)
- 16 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what discussions her Department has had with major food delivery companies on steps to tackle the employment of illegal workers. [Transferred] (13703)
- 17 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to tackle cash-for-crash moped scams. [Transferred] (13704)

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- 18 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to support the London Fire Brigade with fire prevention activities and operational training. [Transferred] (13410)
- 19 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 5 September 2024 to Question 1248 on Military Aircraft: Helicopters, whether the Prime Minister's Office plans to use insourced armed forces' helicopters for official travel after December 2024. [Transferred] (13435)
- 20 **Rachel Blake** (Cities of London and Westminster): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what progress her Department has made on establishing a Jewish History Month. [Transferred] (13712)
- 21 **Melanie Ward** (Cowdenbeath and Kirkcaldy): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of utilising (a) High Commissions and (b) Consulates to facilitate British Overseas Voters ability to vote. [Transferred] (13707)
- 22 **Gareth Davies** (Grantham and Bourne): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to her Department's policy paper entitled Summary of reforms to agricultural property relief and business property relief, published on 30 October 2024, what assessment he has made of the impact of this change on tenant farmers. [Transferred] (13623)
- 23 **Gareth Davies** (Grantham and Bourne): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to her Department's policy paper entitled Summary of reforms to agricultural property relief and business property relief, published on 30 October 2024, whether he has made an assessment of the number of farmers that will exit the sector as a result of this change. [Transferred] (13631)
- 24 **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will take steps to ensure an effective housing insurance market. [Transferred] (13672)
- 25 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate her Department has made of the value of the counterfeit cigarette market. [Transferred] (13398)
- 26 **David Reed** (Exmouth and Exeter East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of changes to Agricultural Property Relief on tenants' access to (a) land and (b) secure tenancy agreements. [Transferred] (13649)
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Questions for Answer on Thursday 14 November

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Torsten Bell** (Swansea West): To ask the Solicitor General, pursuant to the Answer of 25 October to Question 9653 on Insolvency: Assets, in addition to the registered freehold titles that the Bona Vacantia Division is dealing with, how many registered freehold titles are vested in the Crown following dissolution of companies via (a) striking off by the Registrar of Companies and (b) formal liquidation. (13792)
- 2 **Alex Burghart** (Brentwood and Ongar): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, for what reason his Department's About Us web page lists the Government's priorities for 2021-22. (13764)
- 3 **Alex Burghart** (Brentwood and Ongar): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, when he plans to bring forward legislative proposals to enact reforms to the House of Lords other than those set out in the House of Lords (Hereditary Peers) Bill. (13799)
- 4 **Alex Burghart** (Brentwood and Ongar): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he plans to increase the pay bands of Permanent Secretaries. (13800)
- 5 **Alex Burghart** (Brentwood and Ongar): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the letter of 30 September 2024 from the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster letter to the Senior Salaries Review Body, when the Office for Pay Review Bodies was set up. (13801)
- 6 **Alex Burghart** (Brentwood and Ongar): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the Government response of January 2024 to the 17th Report of the House of Lords Constitution Select Committee of Session 2022/23 on Permanent Secretaries: their appointments and removal, HL 258, published on 20 October 2023, what progress he has made on updating the Senior Appointments Protocol; and if he will publish the updated Protocol. (13802)
- 7 **Alex Burghart** (Brentwood and Ongar): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the Office for Statistics's press release entitled New partnership between statistical authorities of the UK and the EU, published on 9 October 2024, what role Ministers had in approving this arrangement; and if he will publish the text of the agreement and any associated documentation. (13803)
- 8 **Alex Burghart** (Brentwood and Ongar): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many civil servants (a) are members of the Alpha pension scheme, (b) are members of the Partnership pension scheme and (c) have opted out of both schemes. (13804)
- 9 **Alex Burghart** (Brentwood and Ongar): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many Government procurement cards have been issued across the Civil Service. (13805)

- 10 **Alex Burghart** (Brentwood and Ongar): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many private secretaries each Minister in his Department has. (13807)
- 11 **Alex Burghart** (Brentwood and Ongar): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how much has been spent on (a) new furniture, backdrops and fittings in and (b) other refurbishment of the 9 Downing Street Press Briefing Room since 30 May 2024; and on what items this was spent. (13808)
- 12 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what guidance his Department issues on the conduct of meetings between Ministers and business representatives where such business representatives have paid money to the governing party to facilitate the meeting. (13759)
- 13N **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will set out the (a) terms of reference and (b) duration of the appointment of Crawford Falconer KCMG to his Department as Second Permanent Secretary and Chief Trade Negotiation Adviser. [Transferred] (13639)
- 14 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, which Minister is responsible for the Infrastructure and Projects Authority; and for what reason the Authority is not in the List of Ministerial Responsibilities updated on 6 November 2024. (13821)
- 15 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, which Minister will be responsible for the National Infrastructure and Service Transformation Authority; and what progress has been made on setting up that Authority. (13822)
- 16 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether his Department has made a recent assessment of (a) whether project objectives have been met and (b) the value for money of its contract with Fujitsu Services Ltd for the GDS Digital Service Platforms One Login project. (13823)
- 17 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, when the Committee on the Grant of Honours, Decorations and Medals last met. (13824)
- 18 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what the estimated aggregate cost was of employer contributions to Civil Service pension schemes in the most recent year for which figures are available. (13825)
- 19 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what the cost was of re-branding the Equality Hub as the Office for Equality and Opportunity. (13826)
- 20 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what the terms of reference of the Ethics and Integrity Commission will be. (13827)

- 21 **Adam Dance** (Yeovil): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to ensure that people working in the gig economy receive (a) at least the minimum wage, (b) sick leave and (c) holiday entitlement. (13864)
- 22 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to help support the growth of independent brewers in Lincolnshire. (13732)
- 23 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the economic impact of foreign direct investment projects in Lincolnshire in the last five years. (13733)
- 24 **Tom Hayes** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to support industry to reduce the embodied carbon emissions related to the (a) production and (b) use of new construction materials. (13908)
- 25 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 31 October 2024 on Question 11149 on Trade Agreements: Parliamentary Scrutiny, if he will announce his plans for scrutiny arrangements of trade deals prior to the conclusion of the negotiations of those deals. (13883)
- 26 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to his Answer on 24 October 2024 to Question 8573 on Trade, if he will publish his trade strategy prior to the conclusion of trade negotiations. (13884)
- 27 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 11 November 2024 to Question 12540 on Trade Agreements: Gulf Cooperation Council, whether his Department has made an assessment of the extent to which the supply chains of Gulf Cooperation Council member states use forced labour. (13885)
- 28 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make it his policy to include human rights clauses in trade agreements. (13888)
- 29 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 28 October 2024 to Question 10718 on Trade Agreements, whether he plans to include labour rights protections in prospective trade agreements. (13917)
- 30 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 28 October 2024 to Question 10718 on Trade Agreements, what opportunities he plans to provide to parliamentarians to scrutinise proposed free trade agreements. (13918)
- 31 **Gregor Poynton** (Livingston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to reform the audit sector; what his planned timetable is for (a) introducing the Draft Audit and Corporate Governance Reform Bill and (b) establishing a new audit regulator; and whether he plans grant any new regulator powers over Director's accountability. (13972)

- 32 **Sir Iain Duncan Smith** (Chingford and Woodford Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will make an assessment of the potential implications for her policies of Ipsos and the University of Bristol's report entitled Drivers of Gambling Marketing Restrictions – An International Comparison, published in November 2024. (13730)
- 33 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, how many public pools closed in each of the last ten years. (13922)
- 34 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will have discussions with the Charity Commission on the (a) conflicts of interest and (b) reputational risks of the non-charitable arms of charities engaging in party political campaigning. (13998)
- 35 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps the Government is taking to ensure local authorities have the necessary (a) resources and (b) training to effectively safeguard children receiving elective home education. (13839)
- 36 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to ensure families that opt for elective home education have access to adequate (a) resources and (b) guidance to support the educational needs of their children. (13840)
- 37 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of recent trends in the number of families choosing elective home education for their children on (a) local authorities, (b) schools and (c) the wider educational system. (13841)
- 38 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to ensure children with special educational needs and disabilities that are educated at home receive appropriate support. (13843)
- 39 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many school days were lost due to school closures during the Covid lockdowns. (13921)
- 40 **James MacCleary** (Lewes): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to (a) support and (b) expand (i) mentoring and (ii) wellbeing schemes for young people in (A) schools and (B) local communities. (13935)
- 41 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of (a) primary and (b) secondary school provision in Romford constituency. (13747)
- 42 **David Chadwick** (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many former British Coal employees were recipients of the British Coal Staff Superannuation Scheme in (a) Brecon, Radnor and Cwm

Tawe constituency, (b) Neath and Swansea East constituency, (c) Aberafan Maesteg constituency, (d) Merthyr Tydfil and Aberdare constituency and (e) Wales on 12 November 2024. (13947)

- 43 **Tom Hayes** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps he is taking to incentivising energy performance-related improvements of commercial buildings in the private sector. (13911)
- 44N **Pippa Heylings** (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what discussions he has had with Ofgem on the adequacy of local supply rights for small-scale renewable energy providers. (13856)
- 45 **Sir Bernard Jenkin** (Harwich and North Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what definition his Department uses for socio-economic welfare, the context of publications by Ofgem. (13729)
- 46 **Llinos Medi** (Ynys Môn): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of zero rating for VAT buildings retrofitted to (a) Passivhaus and (b) AECB standards. (13919)
- 47 **Melanie Onn** (Great Grimsby and Cleethorpes): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what estimate he has made of the potential cost to the public purse of the electrification of onshore marine ports. (13760)
- 48 **Andrew Ranger** (Wrexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what role North Wales will have in helping the UK reach it's 2030 energy targets. (13842)
- 49 **Robin Swann** (South Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will have discussions with the Northern Ireland Executive on (a) establishing a watchdog to regulate the cost of charging electric vehicles and (b) encouraging electric vehicle use. (13858)
- 50 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to encourage (a) young people and (b) new entrants into farming. (13815)
- 51 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of offering a single social tariff for water for customers on a low income. (13979)
- 52 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will consider the potential merits of launching a pilot project in Poole to recover (a) stranded and (b) sunken glass fibre boats to help ensure that they do not pollute local waters. (13980)

- 53 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of (a) PeakSave and (b) other energy tariff rates for communities without the signal needed to install a smart meter. (13865)
- 54 **Ben Goldsbrough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to support the horticulture sector. (13882)
- 55 **Ben Goldsbrough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many Water Abstraction Licenses were operational in each of the last 10 financial years. (13929)
- 56 **Ben Goldsbrough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many Water Abstraction Licenses were not renewed in each of the last 10 financial years. (13930)
- 57 **Ben Goldsbrough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many Water Abstraction License applications were (a) made and (b) granted in each of the last 10 financial years. (13931)
- 58 **Ben Goldsbrough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, (a) how many and (b) what value of water resource management grants were (i) granted and (ii) rejected by the Rural Payments Agency in each of the last 10 financial years. (13932)
- 59 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South and Mid Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what the policy objective is of (a) extended producer responsibility and (b) packaging recovering notes; and what the relationship is between the two policies. (13847)
- 60 **Tom Hayes** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to support industry to reduce waste generated in the construction industry. (13910)
- 61 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if his Department will publish its planned timescale for implementing Schedule 3 of the Flood and Water Management Act 2010. (13896)
- 62 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what (a) funding and (b) other support his Department is providing to farmers to transition to more sustainable agricultural practices in (i) East, (b) South West and (c) South East of England. (13900)

- 63 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of transitioning from analogue landline systems to a digitised service on (a) Tiverton and Minehead constituency and (b) other rural areas. (138914)
- 64 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps his Department is taking to help improve (a) 4G and (b) 5G coverage in Bedfordshire. (13894)
- 65 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a digital champion in each local authority area. (13895)
- 66 **Alex Easton** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to accelerate the rollout of public electric vehicle charge points; and what steps she plans to take to ensure sufficient infrastructure to meet the growing demand for electric vehicles. (13941)
- 67 **Sir Ashley Fox** (Bridgwater): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 23 October 2024 to Question 9280 on Department for Transport: Buildings, how many desks were occupied in her Department's headquarter office in the most recent four weeks for which figures are available; and how many staff assigned to that workplace attended the office in person on average in the same period. (13966)
- 68 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South and Mid Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if her Department will take steps to increase (a) sustainable travel options and (b) (i) rail and (ii) sail provision between Great Britain and Northern Ireland. (13830)
- 69 **Terry Jermy** (South West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what her policy is on the potential provision of funding for dualling the Norwich Western Link. (13982)
- 70 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate she has made of the amount of private finance required to deliver the HS2 Euston quarter development. (13899)
- 71 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department is holding discussions with (a) East West Rail Company and (b) rail operators on branding for trains on East West Rail. (13903)
- 72 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment her Department has made of the potential use of discontinuous electrification as a means to decarbonise the rail network. (13904)
- 73 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what her Department's planned timetable is for appointing the CEO of Shadow Great British Railways. (13905)

- 74 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will publish her Department's criteria for prioritising rail routes for electrification. (13906)
- 75 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to accelerate the rollout of public charging points. (13933)
- 76 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to help prevent suicide on railway infrastructure. (13753)
- 77 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to help prevent (a) violent crime and (b) theft of personal property on railway infrastructure. (13754)
- 78 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to help improve (a) recruitment and (b) retention in the British Transport Police. (13755)
- 79 **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the adequacy of services provided by Chiltern Rail from Haddenham and Thame Parkway station. (13946)
- 80 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to increase access to careers advice in rural communities. (13848)
- 81 **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the April 2025 deadline to check for and buy voluntary national insurance contributions. (13867)
- 82 **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she has taken to encourage people to check their national insurance contributions. (13868)
- 83 **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she has taken to support people with insufficient national insurance (a) contributions and (b) credits to qualify for the new State Pension. (13869)
- 84 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of bringing forward legislative proposals on extending the Pensions (Extension of Automatic Enrolment) Act 2023 to (a) include auto-enrolment for employees aged 18 and above, (b) enable pension contributions to be applied from the first £1 of pay and (c) increase employer contribution rates for auto-enrolment. (13981)
- 85 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the primary language of benefits claimants has been in each of the last 10 years. (13877)

- 86 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people used Access to Work support at what cost and for what reasons in the last financial year. (13916)
- 87 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 12 November 2024 to Question 12868 on Habitual Residence Test, how many habitual residency tests for Universal Credit there were, excluding factual habitual residency tests, in each of the last five years. (13944)
- 88 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many claimants are in receipt of Universal Credit after passing a habitual residency test. (13945)
- 89 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to ensure the equitability of payment amounts between the (a) old State Pension, awarded until 2016 and (b) new State Pension, awarded from 2016 onwards. (13872)
- 90 **Ian Sollom** (St Neots and Mid Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to ensure that all parents receive the correct amount of child maintenance payment on time. (13950)
- 91 **Ian Sollom** (St Neots and Mid Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what data her Department holds on the number of parents who did not receive their child maintenance payments on time in the last 12 months. (13951)
- 92 **Ian Sollom** (St Neots and Mid Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to increase the percentage of applications cleared by the Child Maintenance Service within six weeks. (13952)
- 93 **Ian Sollom** (St Neots and Mid Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of making the Child Maintenance Service more accessible to parents. (13953)
- 94 **Ian Sollom** (St Neots and Mid Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether she has made an assessment of the adequacy of the performance of the Child Maintenance Service since the reforms announced in February 2024. (13954)
- 95 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate his Department has made of the (a) number of homeless people discharged from hospital to the street and (b) average readmission rates of people discharged from hospital to the street in the last (i) three months, (ii) six months and (iii) 12 months. (13816)
- 96 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that homeless people are discharged safely from hospital. (13817)

- 97 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of its guidance on Discharging people at risk of or experiencing homelessness published with the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government on 26 January 2024. (13818)
- 98 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will commission a review of the reasons that registered nurses have left the NHS in the past 10 years. (13831)
- 99 **Olivia Bailey** (Reading West and Mid Berkshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answers of 11 November 2024 to Questions 12677, 12678 and 12679 on Dementia: Reading West and Mid Berkshire, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of collecting data on dementia diagnosis and care centrally. (13996)
- 100 **Sarah Coombes** (West Bromwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help support the health of night shift workers in West Bromwich constituency. (13853)
- 101 **Dr Beccy Cooper** (Worthing West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to increase the number of medical speciality training places (a) in total and (b) in anaesthesia. (13936)
- 102 **Dr Beccy Cooper** (Worthing West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of anaesthetic workforce shortages on the NHS's ability to tackle the elective backlog. (13937)
- 103 **Dr Beccy Cooper** (Worthing West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help increase the number of anaesthetists. (13938)
- 104 **Dr Beccy Cooper** (Worthing West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the percentage of (a) doctors and (b) anaesthetists preparing to leave the profession; and what steps he is taking to improve retention. (13939)
- 105 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will have discussions with NICE on the potential merits of offering Paxlovid to people over the age of 50. (13849)
- 106 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help increase the screening rates for prostate cancer in men aged over 50; and if he will take steps to increase the level of funding available to help screen more men over 50 for prostate cancer. (13978)
- 107 **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential implications for his policies of AirPods Pro 2's Hearing Aid feature. (13920)

- 108 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans his Department has for the role hospices will play in shifting care into the community. (13866)
- 109 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the average waiting time is to register with an NHS dentist in Lincolnshire. (13731)
- 110 **Pippa Heylings** (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will publish a new dementia strategy which references the use of music to support people living with dementia. (13861)
- 111 **Pippa Heylings** (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will publish a social care strategy which includes support for the use of musical techniques for people living with dementia. (13862)
- 112 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will revert to central grant funding from NHS England for children's hospices. (13774)
- 113 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, further to the Answer of 31 July 2024 to Question 764, when he plans to make a further announcement on the Children's Hospice Grant. (13775)
- 114 **Jeremy Hunt** (Godalming and Ash): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether the investigation into maternity incidents at Gloucestershire Hospitals Foundation Trust has started. [R] (13748)
- 115 **Jeremy Hunt** (Godalming and Ash): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to recommendation 44 of the Report of the Morecambe Bay Investigation, published in March 2015, what steps his Department has taken to establish a proper framework on which future investigations could be promptly established. [R] (13757)
- 116 **Jeremy Hunt** (Godalming and Ash): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will launch a new National Maternity Safety Ambition. [R] (13758)
- 117 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he plans to take to help improve men's health; and if he will use the upcoming Men's Health summit to commission a new men's health strategy consultation. (13870)
- 118 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of palliative care services available to people in (a) Newcastle-under-Lyme and (b) Staffordshire. (13875)
- 119 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the monthly cost is of storing PPE related to Covid. (13915)

- 120 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many deaths listed (a) covid-19 as the main cause of death and (b) covid-19 as a contributory cause of death since January 2020. (13923)
- 121 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people were diagnosed with depression in each of the last ten years. (13924)
- 122 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people have presented at A&E for a (a) heart attack and (b) stroke in each of the last ten years. (13925)
- 123 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people have been diagnosed with autism in each of the last ten years. (13926)
- 124 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many UK born doctors have left the NHS for employment outside of the UK in each of the last ten years. (13927)
- 125 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of creating an internal league table comparing UK cancer (a) care and (b) waiting times with other developed countries. (13928)
- 126 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to section 4.2 of NHS key statistics: England, HC 07281, published on 25 October 2024, (a) what assessment he has made of the causes of the increase in life threatening ambulance calls since Spring 2021 and (b) what percentage of the calls each month were cardiac related. (13772)
- 127 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much has been spent on (a) reviewing applications to the Vaccine Damage Payment Scheme and (b) reviewing cases where a patient has challenged a decision in each of the last 5 years. (13773)
- 128 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he plans to take through social care reforms to help (a) reduce waiting times for and (b) increase access to care services in rural areas. (13988)
- 129 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department plans to take to ensure that people in (a) West Dorset constituency and (b) other rural areas receive equitable access to social care support.(13989)
- 130 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he plans to take to improve access to social care in underserved regions where the amount of care providers is lower per capita. (13990)

- 131 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he plans to take to support community pharmacies in West Dorset (13991)
- 132 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help improve the sustainability of pharmacies in rural communities that lack alternative healthcare access. (13992)
- 133 **Luke Murphy** (Basingstoke): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve treatment of Chronic Kidney Disease. (13854)
- 134 **Luke Murphy** (Basingstoke): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve diagnosis of Chronic Kidney Disease for (a) younger patients and (b) broadly. (13855)
- 135 **Luke Murphy** (Basingstoke): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps the Department is taking to reduce (a) the backlog of ADHD diagnosis and (b) improve waiting times for assessments. (13859)
- 136 **Luke Murphy** (Basingstoke): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make a comparative assessment of waiting times for ADHD in (a) Hampshire and (b) other NHS Trusts in England. (13860)
- 137 **Gregor Poynton** (Livingston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many patients in Scotland were supported by specialised services provided by NHS England in the last 12 months. (13960)
- 138 **Gregor Poynton** (Livingston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the funding allocation from NHS England for the Clinical Priorities Advisory Group was in (a) 2022-23 and (b) 2023-24. (13961)
- 139 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of the prolonged use of steroid creams. (13769)
- 140 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the number of people being treated for diet related illnesses. (13770)
- 141 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people are being treated for chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. (13771)
- 142 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he plans to decolonise the artwork or heritage assets in (a) his department and (b) each of its Arm's Length Bodies; and what is the policy of NHS England on this issue. (13798)
- 143 **Max Wilkinson** (Cheltenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of waiting times for accessing services through the NHS Continuing healthcare programme on patient outcomes; what

assessment he has made of the potential impact of Liaison Care on those waiting times; and what further steps his Department is taking to improve waiting times for the NHS Continuing healthcare programme. (13791)

- 144 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 30 October 2024 Question 10496 on Hong Kong: Travel, what steps his Department is taking to (a) clarify and (b) mitigate risks of British-born children of naturalised British citizens of Chinese descent being subject to (i) PRC nationality laws and (ii) potential limitations on consular access. (13836)
- 145 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he plans to meet with the Chief Executive of Hong Kong in the next 12 months. (13741)
- 146 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what information his Department holds on whether the position of Honorary Consul of Kiribati is planned to be filled in the next 12 months. (13745)
- 147 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many UK nationals have requested consular assistance in Somaliland in each of the last five years. (13756)
- 148 **Olivia Blake** (Sheffield Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 23 October 2024 to Question 9238 on Immigration: Detainees, whether the Adults at Risk review will consider the (a) Immigration (Guidance on Detention of Vulnerable Persons) Regulations 2024 and (b) findings and recommendations of the Brook House Inquiry. (13813)
- 149 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the existing rights for individuals holding British Overseas Citizen status. (13790)
- 150N **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many offenders were (a) ordered to be deported at the end of their prison sentence and (b) deported at the end of that sentence in each of the last six years. [Transferred] (13553)
- 151 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of asylum seekers being accommodated in hotels are awaiting a decision on their application by (a) nationality, (b) sex and (c) age range. (13734)
- 152 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many properties her Department has rented for the temporary housing of asylum seekers awaiting a decision on their claim for asylum since 5 July 2024. (13735)

- 153 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the total cost has been of providing private healthcare to irregular migrants in each year since 2018. (13876)
- 154 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a curfew on irregular migrants housed in (a) hotels and (b) other types of accommodation. (13878)
- 155 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will provide a breakdown of the primary language of registered sexual offenders. (13879)
- 156 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of (a) asylum seekers and (b) undocumented migrants were eligible for support under (i) Section (A) 95 and (B) 98 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 and (ii) Section 17 of the Children Act 1989 in each of the last ten years; and if she will make an estimate of the total cost to the public purse of that support in the same period. (13881)
- 157 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department has had discussions with police forces on the provision of training on potential links between domestic violence and violence against animals. (13897)
- 158 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how her Department plans to allocate the funding to tackle shoplifting announced in the Autumn Budget 2024. (13902)
- 159 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent assessment she has made of the potential impact of the current funding model on rural constituencies. (13963)
- 160 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will undertake a review of police funding allocations. (13964)
- 161 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps the Department is taking to ensure rural police forces receive adequate funding to meet increasing demands in areas with low-population density. (13965)
- 162 **Oliver Ryan** (Burnley): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 1 November 2024 to Question 10959 on British Nationality: Assessments, what her planned timescale is for reviewing the Life in the UK handbook; and if she will take steps to introduce practical citizenship classes on culture, language and socialisation to support the integration process. (13975)

- 163 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, which fire brigade services have carried out blood tests on firefighters for (a) cancer and (b) health monitoring purposes; and how much does it cost to carry out such blood tests. (13852)
- 164 **Alex Burghart** (Brentwood and Ongar): To ask the hon. Member for Blaenau Gwent and Rhymney, representing the House of Commons Commission, pursuant to the answer of 18 October 2024 to Question 8129 on Ministers: Workplace Pensions, what the percentage employer contribution to the Parliamentary Contribution Pension Fund for the Ministerial Pension Scheme is in the 2024-25 financial year. (13763)
- 165 **David Chadwick** (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): To ask the Leader of the House, whether they intend to review the use of X by the House of Commons. (14000)
- 166 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the cost to the public purse was of staff diversity networks in his Department in each of the last five years. (13742)
- 167 **Dr Andrew Murrison** (South West Wiltshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answers of 6 November to Questions 11571 and 11572 on USA: Veterans, how many Camp Lejeune veterans have applied through the War Pension Scheme. (13743)
- 168 **Dr Andrew Murrison** (South West Wiltshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answers of 6 November to Questions 11571 and 11572 on USA: Veterans, what epidemiological studies he plans to commission for (a) service personnel and (b) dependents who may have been contaminated while living at Camp Lejeune. (13744)
- 169 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much his Department spent on external recruitment consultants in each of the last 5 years. (13749)
- 170 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will take steps to streamline the recruitment for military personnel. (13750)
- 171 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many military personnel have (a) been recruited into the Armed Forces and (b) not passed basic training in each of the last 10 years. (13751)
- 172 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to increase recruitment and retention in the Ministry of Defence Police. (13752)
- 173 **Siân Berry** (Brighton Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, when she plans to reply to Question 2676 on Council Housing: Finance tabled by the hon. Member for Brighton Pavilion on 30 July 2024. (13958)
- 174 **Siân Berry** (Brighton Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, when she plans to answer Question 2677 on Right to Buy Scheme tabled by the hon. Member for Brighton Pavilion on 30 July 2024. (13959)

- 175 **Tom Hayes** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will have discussions with the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero on the potential impact of planning policy on target reductions in the UK carbon account, in the context of section 1 of the Climate Change Act 2008. (13857)
- 176 **John Milne** (Horsham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to her Department's closed consultation entitled Proposed reforms to the National Planning Policy Framework and other changes to the planning system, updated 24 September 2024, what her planned timetable is for publishing a revised National Planning Policy Framework; and whether she plans to proceed with the recommendation in paragraph 20. (13994)
- 177 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to support local authorities in sparsely populated regions, in the context of varying levels of per capita costs for delivering services. (13986)
- 178 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make it her policy to review the funding formula for local authorities to increase the distribution of funding provided to communities in rural areas, in the context of levels costs for providing services in sparsely populated areas. (13987)
- 179 **Dave Robertson** (Lichfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that planned (a) national and (b) local infrastructure is coordinated to ensure minimal disruption to local communities from (i) roadworks and (ii) traffic delays. (13934)
- 180 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she has taken with local authorities to help prevent (a) mould-related illnesses and (b) rodent infestations in housing provided by local authorities. (13740)
- 181 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 22 October 2024 to Question 8195 on Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government: HOPE not hate, what meetings (a) special advisors and (b) junior civil servants have had with representatives of Hope Not Hate since the general election. (13794)
- 182 **Jo White** (Bassetlaw): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what guidance her Department provides on the potential sanctions available to local authorities in instances when councillors are found to have breached an authority's code of conduct; and whether she plans to re-establish the Standards Board for England with sanction powers in including (a) suspension and (b) disqualification from office for serious breaches. (13871)

- 183 **Sir Ashley Fox** (Bridgwater): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the Answer of 18 September 2024 to Question HL835 on Government Departments: Remote Working, what the requirement is for Parole Board staff to physically attend the office, in terms of average days attending across the working week. (13967)
- 184 **Sir Ashley Fox** (Bridgwater): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many individual desks were occupied in each of the Parole Board's headquarter offices in the most recent four weeks for which figures are available; and how many staff assigned to each of those offices attended the office in person on average in the same period. (13968)
- 185 **Sir Ashley Fox** (Bridgwater): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many civil servants are assigned to work in the Parole Board headquarter office; and how many individual desks are available in that office. (13969)
- 186 **Ben Goldsborough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps her Department is taking to improve young offenders institutions' grades for overall effectiveness under the education inspection framework. (13886)
- 187 **Ben Goldsborough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether her Department plans to take steps to increase the number of hours that children in young offender institutions have access to education. (13887)
- 188 **Ben Goldsborough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many staff were employed in the provision of education in young offenders institutions in each of the last ten financial years. (13889)
- 189 **Ben Goldsborough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the employee turnover rate in (a) young offenders institutions and (b) Category (i) A, (ii) B, (iii) C and (iv) D estates was in each of the last 10 financial years. (13890)
- 190 **Ben Goldsborough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many children have been kept apart from one another on the way to and from classes in young offenders institutions in each of the last 10 financial years. (13891)
- 191 **Ben Goldsborough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will issue guidance to staff in young offenders institutes to ensure that the allocation of courses is based on the educational needs of young offenders. (13892)
- 192 **Ben Goldsborough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that teachers in young offenders institutes receive adequate (a) training and (b) support to help them address potentially challenging behaviour by offenders in those institutes. (13893)
- 193 **Ben Goldsborough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many planned education courses in young offenders institutes have been cancelled in each of the last five financial years; and what information she holds on the reasons for those cancellations. (13898)

- 194 **Ben Goldsbrough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps her Department is taking to reduce the turnover of main governors in Young Offender Institutes. (13901)
- 195 **Ben Goldsbrough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that senior leaders in Young Offender Institutes respond rapidly to an Ofsted requires improvement grade. (13907)
- 196 **Ben Goldsbrough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the attendance rate in education was at Young Offender Institute a) Feltham b) Parc c) Werrington d) Wetherby in each of the last 10 financial years. (13912)
- 197 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many people have been sentenced for (a) murder, (b) rape and (c) other sex offences in each year for the previous ten years, broken down by primary language. (13880)
- 198 **Melanie Ward** (Cowdenbeath and Kirkcaldy): To ask the hon. Member for Lancaster and Fleetwood, representing the Speaker's Committee on the Electoral Commission, when she expects the Commission's review into postal voting at the 2024 General Election to conclude. (13948)
- 199 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool Walton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether the Chief Secretary to the Treasury has had discussions with the Secretary of State for Defence on increasing the fund for reparations payments to LGBT+ veterans. (13828)
- 200N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to paragraph 5.52 of the Autumn Budget 2024, published on 30 October, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of changes to inheritance tax on Death in Service awards for surviving spouses of military personnel. [Transferred] (13505)
- 201 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of the council tax levy for second homes on the chalet industry; and whether chalets will qualify as second homes for the purpose of council tax. (13976)
- 202 **Tom Hayes** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make it her policy to review the VAT framework to reduce incentives towards (a) demolition and (b) rebuilding of housing. (13909)
- 203 **Tom Hayes** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make it her policy to remove VAT for building refurbishment works when energy performance targets are met to incentivise retrofit. (13913)
- 204N **David Reed** (Exmouth and Exeter East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate her Department has made of the number of farmers affected by the withdrawal of Agricultural Property Relief in (a) East Devon and (b) Exmouth and Exeter East constituency. [Transferred] (13647)

- 205 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of proposed increases in employer's national insurance contributions on future trends in the cost to the public purse of Government contracts with private sector companies. (13796)
- 206 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if her Department will issue guidance on whether film and television productions that use generative artificial intelligence qualify for (a) the Independent Film Tax Credit and (b) rate relief for VFX spend. (13834)
- 207 **Sir Ashley Fox** (Bridgwater): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, pursuant to the Answer of 22 October 2024 to Question 9283 on Wales Office: Buildings, what the average number of staff was that attended her Department's headquarters in the most recent working period for which figures are available. (13970)

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Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to Table 14.1 of his Department's publication entitled Statistical bulletin - Civil Service Statistics: 2024, published on 31 July 2024, if he will publish a breakdown of the communications staff by public body. (13819)
- 2N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 21 October 2024 to Question 8125 on Government Departments: Staff, whether the transparency team in his Department reminds other Departments to update their organogram data; and how often Departments should publish that data. (13820)
- 3N **Jim Allister** (North Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of (a) eBay and (b) other sellers based in Great Britain turning off their seller accounts to Northern Ireland because of the costs of compliance with the General Product Safety Regulations 2024 on consumers in Northern Ireland. (13983)
- 4N **Jim Allister** (North Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of (a) eBay and (b) other sellers based in England, Wales and Scotland turning off their seller accounts to Northern Ireland because of the costs for compliance with the General Product Safety Regulations 2024. (13984)

- 5N **Jim Allister** (North Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of (a) eBay and (b) other sellers based in England, Wales and Scotland turning off their seller accounts to Northern Ireland because of the costs of having to comply with the General Product Safety Regulations 2024 on (i) the supply of goods and (ii) price levels in Northern Ireland. (13985)
- 6N **Jim Allister** (North Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if his Department will make an estimate of the potential (a) direct cost to (i) producers, (ii) retailers and (iii) consumers in Northern Ireland and (b) economic impact to Great Britain of compliance with the General Product Safety Regulations 2024. (13995)
- 7N **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham Hodge Hill and Solihull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, on how many occasions and for what reasons MNG Maritime was granted extensions to the deadline to return to the UK the weapons stored in the Vessel Based Armouries it operated following his Department's revocation of six export licences allowing the company to operate three vessel-based armouries storing weapons for private maritime security companies in July 2023. (13736)
- 8N **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham Hodge Hill and Solihull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what his policy is on companies moving their registration overseas when they have been found in breach of export licence conditions and the Government has imposed a requirement that they return the exported goods to the UK with which they have not complied. (13737)
- 9N **Andrew Cooper** (Mid Cheshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, which regulations govern multi-level marketing schemes; and if he will make an assessment of the effectiveness of the regulatory framework of such schemes. (13973)
- 10N **Andrew Cooper** (Mid Cheshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to ensure participants in multi-level marketing schemes are protected from misleading claims about the financial benefits of said schemes. (13974)
- 11N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what recent discussions her Department has had with football authorities about (a) inclusion and (b) accessibility for disabled fans. (13814)
- 12N **Ruth Jones** (Newport West and Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, when the next meeting of the Heritage Council will be. (13846)
- 13N **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many and what proportion of pupils with an education, health and care plan have a named school on their education, health and care plan. (13835)
- 14N **Ian Sollom** (St Neots and Mid Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to ensure academy trusts are subject to local accountability by parents and communities in instances where school policies and complaints procedures fail to resolve concerns. (13957)

- 15N **Sojan Joseph** (Ashford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will take steps to ensure that (a) tenants and (b) leaseholders are not adversely financially impacted by communal heating schemes. (13955)
- 16N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when the Animal Welfare Committee is expected to publish its review on the responsible sourcing of fur. (13781)
- 17N **Valerie Vaz** (Walsall and Bloxwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions his Department has had with the horticultural industry on the potential impact of EU-UK border processes on biosecurity. [R] (13762)
- 18N **Valerie Vaz** (Walsall and Bloxwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many inspectors work for the Animal and Plant Health Agency; and if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of the number of inspectors for protecting the UK's biosecurity. (13765)
- 19N **Valerie Vaz** (Walsall and Bloxwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with the horticultural industry on changes to phytosanitary certificates. (13766)
- 20N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central and West): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the Shared Rural Network. (13761)
- 21N **Alistair Strathern** (Hitchin): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether his Department plans to improve the resilience of local telecommunications networks through power outages. (13832)
- 22N **Alistair Strathern** (Hitchin): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of telecommunications systems resilience during power cuts. (13833)
- 23N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Epping Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of e-scooter use on the number of road related incidents in the last 12 months. (13850)
- 24N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment she has made of the implications for her policies of the number of (a) deaths and (b) serious accidents on roads in Shropshire. (13838)
- 25N **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what progress her Department has made on preventing automated software programmes from buying driving test appointments. (13873)

- 26N **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of implementing (a) fines and (b) other sanctions on companies that use automated software programs to buy driving test appointments. (13874)
- 27N **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when she plans to publish guidance on cross-pavement EV charging solutions. (13806)
- 28N **Pippa Heylings** (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an assessment of the effectiveness of the support provided by her Department in helping disabled people (a) find and (b) maintain employment. (13863)
- 29N **Saqib Bhatti** (Meriden and Solihull East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure alignment of Integrated Care Boards with NICE guideline 28, updated in 2022, related to the fair and equitable adoption of continuous glucose monitoring for eligible people with type 2 diabetes. (13844)
- 30N **Saqib Bhatti** (Meriden and Solihull East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to ensure that Birmingham and Solihull Integrated Care Board is in alignment with NICE guideline 28, updated in 2022, related to the fair and equitable adoption of continuous glucose monitoring for eligible people with type 2 diabetes. (13845)
- 31N **Deirdre Costigan** (Ealing Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that people facing homelessness are discharged safely from hospital in winter 2024-25. (13829)
- 32N **Dr Caroline Johnson** (Sleaford and North Hykeham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 11 November 2024 to Question 11938 on NHS: Employers' Contributions, whether he has made a estimate of the cost of changes to national insurance contributions announced in the Autumn Budget 2024 to (a) his Department, (b) NHSE, (c) general practices, (d) hospices, (e) charities delivering healthcare, (f) social care providers, (g) care homes, (h) air ambulance service providers, (i) each acute trust's direct costs, (j) each acute trusts indirect costs, (k) dental clinics providing NHS care, (l) opticians providing NHS appointments, (m) private healthcare providers providing NHS appointments or operations, (n) each mental health trust, (o) each ICB, (p) the cost of agency nursing staff, (q) the cost of locum doctors, (r) local pharmacies and (s) NHS suppliers and contractors. [R] (13768)
- 33N **Sojan Joseph** (Ashford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that all integrated care boards meet the mental health investment standard. (13956)
- 34N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help promote UK vaccine development. (13837)

- 35N **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of the proposed increase in the rate of employer National Insurance contributions on (a) trends in the level of recruitment and (b) the provision of care in dentistry. (13809)
- 36N **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to paragraph 2.40 of the Autumn Budget 2024, published on 30 October 2024, whether he has made an estimate of the number of dental practices that will close as a result of the proposed increase in the rate of employer National Insurance contributions. (13810)
- 37N **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham Hodge Hill and Solihull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to ensure effective cross-government working on (a) sanctions and (b) export controls (i) policy, (ii) implementation and (iii) enforcement between (A) his Department's Sanctions Directorate, (B) the Office for Financial Sanctions Implementation, (C) the Office for Trade Sanctions Implementation, (D) the Export Controls Joint Unit and (E) HMRC. (13738)
- 38N **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham Hodge Hill and Solihull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how the Government assesses the (a) effectiveness and (b) impact of sanctions policies. (13739)
- 39N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to monitor the effectiveness of the use of UK aid in Sierra Leone. (13779)
- 40N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what diplomatic steps he is taking with international counterparts to ensure that future elections in Sierra Leone will be free and fair. (13785)
- 41N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the criteria for maintaining diplomatic relations with other states include (a) the strength of democratic institutions and (b) human rights. (13786)
- 42N **Greg Smith** (Mid Buckinghamshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many British citizens were taken hostage during the attack on Israel by Hamas on 7 October 2023. (13812)
- 43N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 10 September 2024 to Question 4342 on Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office: Electronic Purchasing Card Solution, for what reason his Department was unable to meet its target to publish

the historic £500 (period November-2022 to July-2024 inclusive) and £25,000 (period June-2022 to July-2024 inclusive) spend files by the end of September; and when he now plans to publish them. (13746)

44N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many potential cyber attacks from other states were intercepted by the National Cyber Security Centre in the six weeks before 4 July 2024. (13999)

45N **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what plans she has to review the treatment of migrant workers in the care sector. (13811)

46N **Chris Philp** (Croydon South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, (a) how many asylum hotels were open, (b) how many asylum seekers were housed in hotels and (c) what was the daily cost of asylum hotels as of (i) 30 June and (ii) 31 October 2024. (13776)

47N **Chris Philp** (Croydon South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will publish the schedule of implementation for the Right Care, Right Person model for all the police forces in England and Wales. (13777)

48N **Chris Philp** (Croydon South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many foreign national offenders (a) are currently in (i) prison and (ii) the community and (b) have been deported since 5 July 2024. (13778)

49N **Chris Philp** (Croydon South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people were returned to their home countries between (a) 5 July and 31 October 2023 and (b) 5 July and 31 October 2024; and how many and what proportion of those returned since 5 July 2024 (i) left voluntarily, (ii) were forced to return, (iii) were foreign national offenders, (iv) had arrived by small boat, broken down by nationality. (13783)

50N **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to page 56 of the King's Speech Background Briefing Notes, published by the Prime Minister's Office on 17 July 2024, whether she plans to include measures on protest at war memorials in the crime and policing bill. (13997)

51N **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she has made an assessment of the potential impact of granting Sri Lankan Tamils on Diego Garcia the right to come to the UK. (13793)

52N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the cost to the public purse was of running the UK-US military base on Diego Garcia in financial year 2023-24. (13787)

53N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what proportion of the cost of running the UK-US military base in Diego Garcia was covered by the United States in financial year 2023-24. (13788)

- 54N **Dr Caroline Johnson** (Sleaford and North Hykeham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answers of 4 and 11 November to Questions 11939 and 12740 on Ministry of Defence: Employers' Contributions, what estimate he has made of the indirect costs to his Department following the proposed increase in employer national insurance contributions on suppliers and contractors that support his Department. (13767)
- 55N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she plans to take to reduce new build freehold estate management fees. (13795)
- 56N **John Milne** (Horsham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what her planned timetable is for publishing an updated version of the Housing Delivery Test. (13993)
- 57N **Laurence Turner** (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 30 October 2024 to Question 11851 on Employers' Contributions: Local Government, whether local authorities will be compensated in full for the additional cost of employers' national insurance contributions; and when she plans to announce details of each local authority's allocation of the support for additional employer NICs costs. (13962)
- 58N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Epping Forest): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of increases in employer National Insurance contributions on small businesses in Epping Forest constituency. (13851)

Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Defence

- 1 **Dr Beccy Cooper** (Worthing West): What steps he is taking to improve service life for serving personnel and their families. (901248)
- 2 **Jessica Morden** (Newport East): What recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the potential merits of publishing all board of inquiry documents on the bombing of RFA Sir Galahad. (901249)
- 3 **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): What his Department's planned timetable is for the Strategic Defence Review. (901250)
- 4 **Josh Newbury** (Cannock Chase): What steps he is taking to improve recruitment and retention in the armed forces. (901251)
- 5 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): What plans he has to maintain the UK's role in NATO. (901252)
- 6 **Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck** (South Shields): What progress he has made on establishing an independent armed forces commissioner. (901253)
- 7 **Lucy Rigby** (Northampton North): What steps he is taking with his NATO counterparts to increase cooperation on missile defence. (901254)

- 8 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): What steps he is taking to support veterans in Newcastle-under-Lyme constituency. (901255)
- 9 **Lillian Jones** (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): What steps he has taken to increase support for Ukraine. (901256)
- 10 **Matt Turmaine** (Watford): What steps he has taken to increase support for Ukraine. (901257)
- 11 **Ben Coleman** (Chelsea and Fulham): What progress he has made on increasing defence cooperation with Germany. (901258)
- 12 **Mrs Sarah Russell** (Congleton): What progress he has made on establishing an independent armed forces commissioner. (901259)
- 13 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): What steps his Department is taking to support the cadet forces. (901260)
- 14 **Jeremy Corbyn** (Islington North): Whether he has had recent discussions with Cabinet colleagues on potential risks arising from the use of nuclear weapons. (901261)
- 15 **Sally Jameson** (Doncaster Central): What progress he has made on establishing an independent armed forces commissioner. (901262)
- 16 **Robbie Moore** (Keighley and Ilkley): What steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to support veterans. (901263)
- 17 **Louise Jones** (North East Derbyshire): What progress he has made on increasing defence cooperation with Germany. (901264)
- 18 **Richard Foord** (Honiton and Sidmouth): What recent discussions he has with international allies on the provision of arms and resources to Ukraine. (901265)
- 19 **John Glen** (Salisbury): Whether he plans to meet representatives of Ploughshare. (901266)
- 20 **Mr Alistair Carmichael** (Orkney and Shetland): What recent assessment he has made with Cabinet colleagues of the adequacy of the security provisions for energy and telecommunications infrastructure in the UK's exclusive economic zone. (901267)
- 21 **Jamie Stone** (Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross): What steps he plans to take with his European counterparts to help develop defence projects. (901268)
- 22 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): What steps the Government is taking to improve recruitment and retention in the armed forces. (901269)
- 23 **Liz Twist** (Blaydon and Consett): What progress he has made on establishing an independent armed forces commissioner. (901270)
- 24 **Sir Edward Leigh** (Gainsborough): What steps he plans to take to help increase levels of defence manufacturing. (901271)
- 25 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): How much he plans to allocate to spending on defence research and development in the next 12 months. (901272)
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Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Defence

- T1 **James MacCleary** (Lewes): If he will make a statement on his departmental responsibilities. [R] (901273)
- T2 **Luke Myer** (Middlesbrough South and East Cleveland): (901274)
- T3 **Sally Jameson** (Doncaster Central): (901275)
- T4 **Katie Lam** (Weald of Kent): (901276)
- T5 **Alan Strickland** (Newton Aycliffe and Spennymoor): (901277)
- T6 **Danny Beales** (Uxbridge and South Ruislip): (901278)
- T7 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): (901279)
- T8 **Andrew Pakes** (Peterborough): (901280)
- T9 **David Reed** (Exmouth and Exeter East): (901281)
- T10 **Peter Swallow** (Bracknell): (901282)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 19 November**Questions for Written Answer**

- 1N **Darren Paffey** (Southampton Itchen): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the adequacy of lifeguard numbers on UK beaches; and whether he plans to improve beach safety. (13942)
- 2N **Mrs Sureena Brackenridge** (Wolverhampton North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment he has made of the contribution of small and micro tech companies to the UK economy. (13949)
- 3N **Samantha Niblett** (South Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps he is taking to help improve phone signal in (a) South Derbyshire constituency and (b) rural areas. (13977)
- 4N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to improve road safety for (a) cyclists and (b) pedestrians. (13780)
- 5N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of imposing sanctions on travel to and from the UK for people responsible for the disputed 2023 election results in Sierra Leone. (13784)

- 6N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of strengthening legal penalties for motorists at fault in hit-and-run incidents. (13782)
- 7N **Darren Paffey** (Southampton Itchen): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what her planned timeline is for the implementation of steps to transition toward restorative justice is; and what the key milestones toward this will be. (13940)
- 8N **Darren Paffey** (Southampton Itchen): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, when she plans to publish an action plan for imprisonment for public protection sentences. (13943)
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Questions for Answer on Monday 25 November

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Lauren Edwards** (Rochester and Strood): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what discussions she has had with her European Union counterparts on the future of EU denominated clearing in the UK beyond June 2025. [R] (13971)
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Questions for Answer on Friday 29 November

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, which mental health apps are (a) recommended and (b) linked to by the NHS on its website; and if she will make an assessment of the effectiveness of the promotion of these apps by the NHS. (13789)