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Questions tabled on Tuesday 26 November 2024

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Questions for Answer on Wednesday 27 November

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Abtisam Mohamed** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will initiative a review of UK treaties containing Investor-State Dispute Settlements. [Transferred] (15958)
- 2 **Tom Hayes** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, how much funding he plans to provide to the voluntary, community, and social enterprise energy efficiency scheme in 2025. [Transferred] (16074)
- 3 **Tom Hayes** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing additional funding to the voluntary, community, and social enterprise organisations for (a) reducing their energy consumption and (b) other costs. [Transferred] (16075)
- 4 **Shivani Raja** (Leicester East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of proposed changes to employer National Insurance contributions on not-for-profit organisations. [Transferred] (15857)
- 5 **Bradley Thomas** (Bromsgrove): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of multiple solar farms on the local environment; whether he has had discussions with the the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, on the impact of solar farms on the rural (a) landscape and (b) communities; and if he will take steps to ensure that those farms are distributed over a wide area. [Transferred] (16046)

- 6 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for her policies of local authorities charging homeowners to dispose of garden waste. [Transferred] (15733)
- 7 **Graham Leadbitter** (Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department plans to take fiscal steps to support households without driveways to access home electric vehicle charging equipment. [Transferred] (16015)
- 8 **Danny Kruger** (East Wiltshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of Autumn Budget 2024 on trends in the number of people living in poverty. [Transferred] (15914)
- 9 **Danny Kruger** (East Wiltshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of Autumn Budget 2024 on the number of people living in poverty by household type. [Transferred] (15915)
- 10 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department is taking steps to strengthen restrictions on the use of rodenticides in order to reduce exposure to non-target wildlife. [Transferred] (15944)
- 11 **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with the Northern Ireland Executive on supporting smokers in Northern Ireland to quit. [Transferred] (15880)
- 12 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will suspend all visits from (a) Chinese and (b) Hong Kong officials whilst hon. Members are sanctioned by the Chinese Government. [Transferred] (15767)
- 13 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 18 November 2024 to Question 13342 on Shoplifting Prosecutions, what estimate her Department has made of the (a) number of people who avoided charges and (b) value of goods lost because of the effective immunity on shoplifted goods under £200 in value in the last three years. [Transferred] (15848)
- 14 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an estimate of the average amount of time that elapsed between the arrival in the UK of foreign nationals who go on to offend and the date of their offence by nationality in the last 12 months. [Transferred] (15891)
- 15 **Rebecca Paul** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for her policies of the recommendation in the report by The Law Commission entitled Hate Crime Laws: Final Report, published on 6 December 2021, HC 942, that hate crime law be reformed to offer greater protections for disabled persons. [Transferred] (15972)

- 16 **Brian Leishman** (Alloa and Grangemouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many applications for exemption to overfly the UK with war munitions with a final destination of Israel have been (a) received, (b) approved and (c) rejected since 7 October 2023. [Transferred] (16080)
- 17 **James Asser** (West Ham and Beckton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to encourage investment in high streets in (a) London and (b) West Ham and Beckton constituency. [Transferred] (16012)
- 18 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will publish all correspondence between her Department and the Commissioner for Public Appointments in relation to the appointment of the MHCLG Lead Non-Executive Director on 21 October 2024. (16179)
- 19 **Claire Young** (Thornbury and Yate): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to paragraph 2.72 of the Autumn Budget 2024, HC 295, what assessment she has made of the potential impact on social care of a £600 million investment. [Transferred] (15879)
- 20 **Harriet Cross** (Gordon and Buchan): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of changes to agricultural property relief at the Autumn Budget 2024 on (a) patterns of agricultural land ownership, (b) rural employment, (c) agricultural supply chains and (d) food production. [Transferred] (15989)
- 21 **Carla Lockhart** (Upper Bann): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what discussions she has had with her counterpart in Northern Ireland on ensuring that businesses in Northern Ireland that pay into the Apprenticeship Levy receive direct funding from the levy. [Transferred] (15842)
- 22 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will launch a public consultation on the proposed changes to business property relief. (16376)
- 23 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she has had discussions with mortgage providers on the availability of fixed term mortgages to first time buyers. [Transferred] (15734)

Questions for Answer on Thursday 28 November

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Solicitor General, what recent discussions she has had with the Crown Prosecution Service on the prosecution of covid-19 related fraud. (16228)

- 2 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps he is taking to improve conflicts of interest management across the public sector. (16223)
- 3 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if the Government will set a timeline for introducing central electronic registers for all public bodies; and if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of making these registers public. (16224)
- 4 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the Office for National Statistics has made an estimate of the number of registered overseas electors at the 2024 general election. (16333)
- 5 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the Office for National Statistics has made an assessment of the causes of reductions in levels of fertility; and which Department is responsible for Government policy relating to the (a) size and (b) demographics of the UK population. (16334)
- 6 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what recent assessment the Office for National Statistics has made of the accuracy of UK resident population statistics. (16335)
- 7 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what estimate the Office for National Statistics has made of the (a) number and (b) proportion of the UK population that have migrated to the UK in the last two years. (16336)
- 8 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the One Login project is on (a) budget and (b) schedule. (16337)
- 9 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what progress the Mission Delivery Boards have made. (16338)
- 10 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the performance of the Government in providing answers to (a) correspondence and (b) written parliamentary questions since 4 July 2024. (16339)
- 11 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what guidance his Department issues on (a) Ministers and (b) special advisers meeting lobbying firms which have made donations to hon. Members from the governing party. (16340)
- 12 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will hold discussions with the (a) Equality and Human Rights Commission and (b) Office for Equality and Opportunities on the potential merits of issuing guidance to political parties on whether they are able to discriminate on the basis of (i) political and (ii) philosophical belief. (16341)

- 13 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the Government's Mission Boards have quantifiable targets. (16342)
- 14 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will allow the Civil Service Commission to reply directly to hon. Members by correspondence. (16343)
- 15 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the Written Statement of 6 November 2024 on Transparency and Accountability, HCWS198, whether special adviser salaries will increase in line with (a) senior and (b) junior civil service salaries. (16344)
- 16 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, when he plans to start monthly reporting of ministerial (a) gifts and (b) hospitality. (16345)
- 17 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will make it his policy that (a) senior official and (b) special adviser transparency returns are published as frequently as those of Ministers. (16346)
- 18 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 5 November 2024 to Question 11270 on Special Advisers: Industrial Disputes, to which specific answer of 25 July 2024 he was seeking to refer to. (16347)
- 19 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 25 November to Question 15230 on 10 Downing Street: Government Art Collection, what the reference numbers are of Government Art Collection works that have been (a) added to and (b) removed from Downing Street since 5 July 2024. (16362)
- 20 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how much was paid to thebigword by all Departments in each of the last ten years. (16295)
- 21 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many international (a) air miles and (b) flights have been completed by (i) the Prime Minister and (ii) his staff since 5 July 2024. (16318)
- 22 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, which vehicle makes comprise the fleet of Government cars. (16354)
- 23N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, i what estimate has been made of the average annual salary of people in receipt of the National Living Wage in April 2024. [Transferred] (15743)
- 24 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on taking steps to help support high street businesses. (16229)

- 25 **Dame Caroline Dinenage** (Gosport): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what plans his Department has to help reduce the rate of nightclub closures. (16140)
- 26 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of the Employment Rights Bill on the ability of employers to contact a (a) full-time and (b) part-time employee outside of their (i) normal and (ii) condensed working hours. (16244)
- 27 **Max Wilkinson** (Cheltenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many couples claimed shared parental pay in each of the last five years. (16297)
- 28 **Claire Young** (Thornbury and Yate): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what discussions he has had with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on the potential impact of a tax on tourism. (16352)
- 29 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to support places of worship in rural areas with building conservation projects. (16284)
- 30 **Dame Caroline Dinenage** (Gosport): 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 trends in the level of nightclub closures. (16136)
- 31 **Dame Caroline Dinenage** (Gosport): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will (a) recognise and (b) support (i) nightclubs and (ii) venues as cultural institutions. (16137)
- 32 **Dame Caroline Dinenage** (Gosport): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to provide long term support for (a) nightclubs and (b) other venues; and if she will prepare and publish a nightclub strategy which provides clarity of regulation for nightclubs. (16138)
- 33 **Natasha Irons** (Croydon East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, how will funding for local youth transformation pilots be distributed to local authorities; and what funding can Croydon Council expect to receive. (16355)
- 34 **Max Wilkinson** (Cheltenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, how many local authority owned leisure facilities have been sold in each of the last five years. (16298)
- 35 **David Williams** (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to invest in heritage buildings in (a) Stoke-on-Trent North constituency and (b) Kidsgrove. (16306)
- 36 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 22 November 2024 to Question 14130, whether the local authorities to take part in the kinship allowance trial have been selected. (16180)

- 37 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the average staff to student ratio was in secondary schools in Slough constituency in each year since 2015. (16181)
- 38 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the impact of living in a low income household on rates of school absences. (16378)
- 39 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will adjust the funding formula for early years education to allow for the increase in employer national insurance contributions. (16132)
- 40 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many teachers have formally raised concern about the age of irregular migrant students in each of the last five years. (16280)
- 41 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many and what proportion of people who took an English for Speakers of Other Languages class claimed Universal Credit in the last 12 months; and what the cost to the public purse was of the provision of those classes in the same period. (16356)
- 42N **Mike Martin** (Tunbridge Wells): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent guidance her Department has issued on whether students who have extended their visas under the Ukraine Permission Extension scheme are eligible for home fees status for university fees in England. [Transferred] (16106)
- 43 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department takes to ensure adequate financial oversight of academy trusts; and how often financial audits are conducted of underperforming trusts. (16421)
- 44 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what measures are in place to support academy schools rated as (a) inadequate and (b) requires improvement by Ofsted in tackling problems related to (i) leadership, (ii) the curriculum and (iii) student outcomes. (16422)
- 45 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of reductions in levels of academy staffing on the range of subjects offered in those academies for students already enrolled in (a) GCSE and (b) A Level courses. (16423)
- 46 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to ensure budget constraints in academy schools do not disproportionately affect provisions for students with special educational needs. (16424)

- 47 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that academy trusts consult with the wider school community in cases where significant (a) staffing and (b) curriculum changes are proposed. (16425)
- 48 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department has plans to (a) introduce and (b) increase the requirements whereby academy trusts engage with local communities when implementing major changes. (16426)
- 49 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to help ensure a smooth transition of schools from the Ortu Federation to the Mossbourne Federation in the South Basildon and East Thurrock constituency. (16427)
- 50 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department has plans to review the adequacy of transparency requirements for academy trusts, including (a) financial reporting and (b) decision-making processes. (16428)
- 51 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to help academy schools under financial pressures handle the potential loss of experienced staff; and what support her Department offers staff facing possible redundancy. (16429)
- 52 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the potential long-term impact of (a) leadership changes and (b) staff reductions in academy schools on trends in the level of (i) academic performance and (ii) student well-being. (16430)
- 53 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what guidance her Department issues academy trusts on implementing uniform policies. (16431)
- 54 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of exploring alternative funding models for academy schools. (16432)
- 55 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what early intervention measures are in place to identify (a) financial mismanagement and (b) declining performance in academy schools. (16433)
- 56 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to ensure students have access to a broad curriculum that supports diverse career pathways, especially in schools undergoing staffing reductions. (16434)

- 57 **Ms Julie Minns** (Carlisle): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an estimate of the number of pupils that have experienced hygiene poverty in each of the last five years. (16296)
- 58 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of making first aid a mandatory part of the national curriculum. (16255)
- 59 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central and West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many and what proportion of (a) schools and (b) students with Turing grants receive free school meals. (16154)
- 60 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central and West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many and what proportion of students with Turing grants who are eligible for free school meals attend an independent school. (16156)
- 61 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to help ensure cyber security and resilience in (a) schools, (b) academies and (c) other educational establishments. (16147)
- 62 **Ian Sollom** (St Neots and Mid Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many pupils had applications to state-funded mainstream schools rejected due to the school being unable to meet their identified SEND requirements in the 2023-24 school year. (16264)
- 63 **Ian Sollom** (St Neots and Mid Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many teaching hours have been missed by persistently absent pupils with SEND in the 2023-24 school year. (16265)
- 64 **Ian Sollom** (St Neots and Mid Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many pupils were (a) suspended and (b) permanently excluded from secondary schools in England in 2023-24; and what proportion of those pupils were identified as having SEND. (16279)
- 65 **Will Stone** (Swindon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of extending the 5.5% pay award for teachers in academized sixth forms to non-academized colleges. (16363)
- 66 **James Wild** (North West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 26 November 2024 to Question 14758 on Special Educational Needs: Finance, and with reference to Table 5.1 in the Autumn Budget 2024, HC 295, on what evidential basis item 62, page 121, entitled Special Education Needs and Disabilities: Reduction in Local Authority SEND deficits as a result of additional DEL funding specifies £865 million of spending in 2025-26. (16325)
- 67 **Max Wilkinson** (Cheltenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many state-funded school playing pitches have been sold in each of the last five years. (16299)

- 68 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many state-funded schools have been (a) temporarily and (b) permanently closed due to unsafe buildings in each year since 2019; and if she will list all the schools affected. (16364)
- 69 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what information her Department holds on the number of educational settings that had reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete in their buildings on 26 November 2024. (16365)
- 70 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many schools have been granted funding for RAAC removal as of 26 November 2024. (16366)
- 71 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many schools have successfully completed work to remove reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete. (16367)
- 72 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many schools included in the School Rebuilding Programme to (a) rebuild and (b) refurbish buildings where reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete is present have (i) seen contracts awarded, (ii) initiated construction work and (iii) completed construction work. (16368)
- 73 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what progress has been made on the Condition Data Collection 2 programme; and how many schools have been assessed under the programme. (16369)
- 74 **David Chadwick** (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will bring forward legislative proposals to protect liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) customers from (a) market volatility surcharges and (b) fees to remove LPG tanks once a contract has finished. (16420)
- 75 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on potential steps to ensure UK energy supply chains are free from Uyghur forced labour. (16151)
- 76 **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps he is taking to improve public (a) awareness of and (b) access to loft insulation protection to improve energy efficiency. (16277)
- 77 **Dame Caroline Dinenage** (Gosport): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what data his Department holds on the amount of energy transmitted by IFA2 since 1 September 2024. (16141)
- 78 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of extending the Warm Home Discount to include all disabled members of an eligible household. (16409)
- 79 **Tom Hayes** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will take steps to make the UK a net exporter of power by 2030. (16387)

- 80 **Tom Hayes** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps he is taking to reduce the UK's dependence on imported electricity. (16390)
- 81 **Tom Hayes** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what estimate he has made of the quantity of natural gas reserves required to (a) maintain variable electricity generation and (b) meet electricity demand. (16392)
- 82 **Tom Hayes** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how much biomass electricity generation contributes to the UK's carbon footprint. (16395)
- 83 **Tom Hayes** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what discussions he has had with the National Energy Security Operator on the potential (a) marginal and (b) lifecycle carbon emissions from (i) gas with carbon capture and storage (CSS), (ii) bioenergy with CSS, (iii) on-shore wind and (iv) nuclear energy. (16401)
- 84 **Tom Hayes** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the (a) effectiveness of the Contracts for Difference scheme and (b) potential scope for reforming investment mechanisms in renewable energy capacity. (16407)
- 85 **Tom Hayes** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will reinstate a three-year delivery window for solar (a) in Allocation Round 7 and (b) beyond. (16408)
- 86 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, on what proportion of days is (a) meat and (b) dairy available in canteens in his Department. (16314)
- 87 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an estimate of the proportion of food provided in canteens in his Department that is produced in the UK. (16315)
- 88 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what information his Department holds on the proportion of energy used by his Department, broken down by energy source. (16316)
- 89 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many (a) air miles and (b) flights he has completed since 5 July 2024. (16320)
- 90 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of large electricity pylons on (a) green spaces and (b) ancient woodlands. (16412)
- 91 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of electricity pylons on wildlife. (16414)

- 92 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent discussions his Department has had with National Grid about the estimated cost of the Norwich-to-Tilbury pylon project. (16415)
- 93 **Abtisam Mohamed** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what estimate his Department has made of the potential cost to the public purse of carbon capture technologies in each of the next three years. (16250)
- 94 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an estimate of the number of (a) onshore and (b) offshore windfarms in the UK. (16168)
- 95 **Johanna Baxter** (Paisley and Renfrewshire South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of including (a) cats and (b) kittens in legislation to prevent pet smuggling. [R] (16243)
- 96 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how much funding his Department planned to provide to drainage boards [for the 2024-25 financial year] on (a) 1 July 2024 and (b) 20 November 2024. (16251)
- 97 **Abtisam Mohamed** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking with the Secretary of State for Business and Trade to reduce exports of plastic waste. (16249)
- 98 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of changes to (a) agricultural property relief and (b) business property relief announced in the Autumn Budget 2024 on (i) abattoirs, (ii) butchers, (iii) agricultural retailers, (iv) agricultural machinery retailers and (v) other agriculture-related businesses. (16240)
- 99 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of changes to Agricultural Property Relief and Business Property Relief on (a) arable, (b) livestock and (c) hill farms. (16241)
- 100 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of changes to (a) Agricultural Property Relief and (b) Business Property Relief on trends in the sale of agricultural land assets. (16242)
- 101 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what Cambridgeshire's allocation under the flood funding formula is for 2024-25. (16252)

- 102 **Rebecca Paul** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, a) if his department will publish guidance on (a) how many dogs may be walked by one professional dog walker at one time and (b) other issues relating to professional dog walking. (16402)
- 103 **Will Stone** (Swindon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential implications for his Department's policies of trends in the number of greyhounds that have died at racetracks since 2023. (16331)
- 104 **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of trends in the levels of real terms funding to the Environment Agency between 2010 and 2024. (16435)
- 105 **Suella Braverman** (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he plans to include safeguards to prevent AI-generated child sexual abuse in the forthcoming AI Bill. (16230)
- 106 **Suella Braverman** (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions he has had with the companies developing the most powerful AI models on introducing safeguards to ensure their models cannot generate child sexual abuse material. (16231)
- 107 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, pursuant to the Answer of 21 November 2024 to Question 14202, whether Ministers in his Department have had recent meetings with representatives of (a) Meta, (b) Snap inc. and (c) X. (16183)
- 108 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central and West): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, pursuant to the answer of 25 November 2024 to Question 14940, on Project Gigabit and Shared Rural Network, how Ofcom tests areas for compliance with their standard for good coverage. (16153)
- 109 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps he has taken to help protect national infrastructure assets from climate change. (16129)
- 110 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of cyber safety laws on the use of AI. (16161)
- 111 **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to help improve the safety of platform train interfaces at train stations. (16321)

- 112 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department has had recent discussions with representatives of (a) Heathrow Airport, (b) Thames Valley Chamber of Commerce and (c) Network Rail on a potential western rail link to Heathrow. (16184)
- 113 **Mr Will Forster** (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of widening the accessibility criteria for the English national concessionary travel scheme to include peak travel for disabled bus pass holders to help ensure that they can reach (a) work and (b) educational commitments. (16385)
- 114 **Mr Will Forster** (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what information her Department holds on the number of local authorities in England which provide bus travel concessions beyond the legal statutory requirements of the English National Concessionary Travel Scheme. (16386)
- 115 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment she has made of the potential impact on motorists of pay-per-mile road charges. (16437)
- 116 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what plans her Department has for Southeastern. (16438)
- 117 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what funding for pothole repairs is available to London boroughs. (16439)
- 118 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she plans to reallocate £8.3 billion of HS2 funding for road repairs. (16440)
- 119 **Mark Garnier** (Wyre Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to her Department's Motorcycles in bus lanes consultation outcome, updated on 21 November 2024, what account her Department took of the outcomes of local authority trials allowing motorcycle access to bus lanes. (16133)
- 120 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what plans her Department has for the replacement of the overhead lines on the C2C train route. (16349)
- 121 **Paul Holmes** (Hamble Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what progress her Department is making on amending regulations to allow for recognition of non-UK Air Traffic Controller licences. (16350)
- 122 **Paul Holmes** (Hamble Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what progress her Department is making on amending regulations to allow for the conversion of military Air Traffic Controller licences to civil Air Traffic Controller licences. (16351)

- 123 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central and West): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of maintaining regional livery designs as railway franchises are brought back into public ownership. (16157)
- 124 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to support people in receipt of Local Housing Allowance with housing costs. (16218)
- 125 **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether the additional 500 staff deployed to process pension credit applications were new employees. (16393)
- 126 **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many Pension Credit applications have been made since 29 July 2024 by constituency. (16396)
- 127 **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what data her Department holds on steps councils are taking to support pensioners with the cost of living in winter 2024-25. (16397)
- 128 **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the average processing time for Pension Credit applications is by constituency. (16398)
- 129 **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment her Department has made of the effectiveness of the Household Support Fund in supporting pensioners with the cost of living in winter 2024-25. (16399)
- 130 **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate her Department has made of the amount local authorities will spend on supporting pensioners with the cost of living in winter 2024-25. (16400)
- 131 **Carla Denyer** (Bristol Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will take legislative steps to reinstate Council Tax Benefit. (16317)
- 132 **Ms Julie Minns** (Carlisle): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many and what proportion of people have experienced hygiene poverty in (a) England, (b) Cumbria and (c) Carlisle constituency in each of the last five years. (16293)
- 133 **Ms Julie Minns** (Carlisle): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for her policies of recent trends in the level of hygiene poverty. (16294)

- 134 **Dr Neil Shastri-Hurst** (Solihull West and Shirley): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many incidents of sexual harassment have been formally reported in her Department in each of the last five years; and what steps her Department takes to estimate the number of such cases that are unreported. (16326)
- 135 **Dr Neil Shastri-Hurst** (Solihull West and Shirley): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the average length of time is in her Department to conclude investigations into reports of sexual harassment; and what steps her Department takes to ensure that this process is conducted (a) promptly and (b) thoroughly. (16327)
- 136N **Dr Danny Chambers** (Winchester): 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, whether he has made an estimate of the (a) overall cost to pharmacies and (b) the estimated average cost per business in the pharmacy sector of the proposed increase to employer National Insurance contributions. [Transferred] (16102)
- 137N **Dr Danny Chambers** (Winchester): 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, if he will make an estimate of the number of pharmacies that will pay increased national insurance contributions (a) nationally and (b) by constituency. [Transferred] (16103)
- 138N **Dr Danny Chambers** (Winchester): 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, whether he has made an estimate of the total cost to pharmacy businesses of the proposed increase in employer national insurance contributions (a) nationally and (b) by constituency. [Transferred] (16105)
- 139 **Liam Conlon** (Beckenham and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of including in his 10 Year Plan offering young people pre-participation cardiac screening within the community. (16291)
- 140 **Sir Geoffrey Cox** (Torridge and Tavistock): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help support businesses that provide services to the NHS in rural areas, in the context of changes to the level of employer National Insurance contributions at the Autumn Budget 2024. (16131)
- 141 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of access to NHS dentists. (16227)
- 142 **Dame Caroline Dinenage** (Gosport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve treatment pathways for (a) PANS and (b) PANDAS patients. (16134)

- 143 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of running a public health campaign raising awareness of cardiac risk in young people. (16442)
- 144 **Mary Glendon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 11 November 2024 to Question 6227 Mental Health Services: Waiting Lists, if he will make an estimate of the proportion of people who (a) completed treatment and (b) waited less than 6 weeks for their first appointment for talking therapies in (i) Newcastle upon Tyne and (ii) North Tyneside in July 2024. (16170)
- 145 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to increase (a) recruitment and (b) retention of NHS staff in (i) South Holland and the Deepings constituency and (ii) Lincolnshire. (16123)
- 146 **Chris Hinchliff** (North East Hertfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of the report entitled Pharmacy Pressures Survey 2024: Funding and Profitability Report, published on 19 October 2024. (16446)
- 147 **Chris Hinchliff** (North East Hertfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of increasing the range of conditions that can be treated under the Pharmacy First service. (16447)
- 148 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of removing VAT from services provided by (a) psychotherapists and (b) counsellors. (16245)
- 149 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what progress he has made on the New Hospital Programme Review in relation to the Royal Berkshire Hospital. [R] (16310)
- 150 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether (a) children and (b) young people under 25 with cancer will be distinctly recognised in the National Cancer Plan. [R] (16416)
- 151 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the (a) differences between cancer in (i) children and young people under 25 and (ii) older adults and (b) strategic approaches to meet the needs of each population. [R] (16417)
- 152 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what account the development of the National Cancer Plan is taking of the Children and Young People's Cancer Plan published by Young Lives vs Cancer and the Children's Cancer and Leukaemia Group in January 2023. [R] (16418)

- 153 **Mr Paul Kohler** (Wimbledon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of making Tranexamic Acid (TXA) a Schedule 19 Drug. (16445)
- 154 **Mike Martin** (Tunbridge Wells): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the name of the pharmacy most recently set up in Kent is; and when it was set up. (16382)
- 155 **Mike Martin** (Tunbridge Wells): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the name of the pharmacy most recently set up in the Tunbridge Wells constituency is; and when it was set up. (16383)
- 156 **Mike Martin** (Tunbridge Wells): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much funding his Department allocated to the most recently established independent NHS GP surgery in (a) Tunbridge Wells constituency and (b) England. (16410)
- 157N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 20 November 2024 to Question 901341 on Drugs: Safety, what the outcome was of the recent ministerial roundtable. [Transferred] (15874)
- 158 **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an estimate of the number of uncompleted Deprivation of Liberty Safeguard applications per year since 2009. (16208)
- 159 **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the average waiting time was for a Deprivation of Liberty Safeguard to be processed for standard authorisation per year since 2009. (16209)
- 160 **Rebecca Paul** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will introduce regulations to ensure that a pharmacist is always present in an open pharmacy to facilitate the sale of pharmacy medicines (16371)
- 161 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of reduced access to GP services on waiting times in Accident and Emergency departments. (16443)
- 162 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has taken steps to reduce the number of pregnancies terminated beyond 24 weeks. (16126)
- 163 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will commission an inquiry into the safety of taking (a) mifepristone and (b) misoprostol at home to terminate a pregnancy. (16127)

- 164 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of reversing whether the decision to allow women to take (a) mifepristone and (b) misoprostol at home to terminate a pregnancy. (16128)
- 165 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people have been diagnosed with X-linked hypophosphatemia in the last two years. (16163)
- 166 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he made with Cabinet colleagues of the potential impact of ADHD medication shortages on the attendance of young people at school. (16164)
- 167 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help encourage people to have healthy diets. (16167)
- 168 **Zarah Sultana** (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the (a) adequacy of the (i) provision of disabled toilets and (ii) systems that seek to ensure that only disabled people can access disabled toilets using RADAR keys and (b) effectiveness of (A) RADAR keys and (B) the National Key Scheme in offering disabled people independent access to locked public toilets. (16248)
- 169 **Luke Taylor** (Sutton and Cheam): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made an assessment of the effectiveness of non-specific symptom pathways in diagnosing blood cancers in each of the last three years. (16328)
- 170 **Luke Taylor** (Sutton and Cheam): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help reduce the number of cases of late diagnoses of blood cancers in emergency NHS settings. (16329)
- 171 **Luke Taylor** (Sutton and Cheam): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure UK blood cancer patients can access effective new therapies that are available to patients overseas but have been subject to NICE terminated appraisals. (16330)
- 172 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with which Cabinet colleagues he has had discussions as part of the China audit. (16150)
- 173 **Alex Easton** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he is having with his Russian counterpart on the release of James Scott Rhys Anderson. (16444)

- 174 **Helen Grant** (Maidstone and Malling): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps are being taken to prioritise Official Development Assistance aid for education in (a) countries where (i) literacy and (ii) numeracy rates are lowest and (b) protracted crisis settings. (16142)
- 175 **Helen Grant** (Maidstone and Malling): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the recommendations from the United Nations Secretary General's High-level Panel on the Teaching Profession, published in February 2024, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of those recommendations in supporting teachers in emergencies. (16143)
- 176 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the (a) effectiveness and (b) reliability of routes for humanitarian aid delivery into Gaza. (16171)
- 177 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to increase the UK's contribution of humanitarian aid into Gaza. (16172)
- 178 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the role of Qatar in mediating between the parties to the conflict in the Middle East. (16173)
- 179 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make it his policy to call for the immediate release of Jimmy Lai from solitary confinement. (16148)
- 180 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the implications for his policies of the cancellation of the Religious Leaders Forum and Graduation Ceremony for freedom of religion or belief in South Korea. (16165)
- 181 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had recent discussions with his Canadian counterpart on taking steps to help tackle religious hate crimes towards Jewish communities in that country. (16166)
- 182 **Dan Tomlinson** (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to ensure continued funding for GAVI. (16377)
- 183 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to support older people without internet access to (a) apply for and (b) access eVisas. (16311)

- 184 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that (a) older people and (b) people with legacy visas are not (i) disadvantaged and (ii) prevented from accessing services by the eVisa system. (16312)
- 185 **Colum Eastwood** (Foyle): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department has made on the potential impact of the Terrorism (Protection of Premises Bill) on (a) small voluntary groups and (b) small venues. (16282)
- 186 **Colum Eastwood** (Foyle): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing funding schemes to support small voluntary groups with the costs of compliance with the measures in the Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Bill. (16283)
- 187 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South and Mid Down): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Bill on (a) charities, (b) community groups and (c) voluntary organisations that organise events. (16308)
- 188 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South and Mid Down): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department will provide (a) guidance and (b) practical support to (i) charities, (ii) community groups and (iii) voluntary groups to assist them in complying with the requirements of the Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Bill. (16309)
- 189 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many business owners have been charged with employing illegal workers in each of the last three years. (16120)
- 190 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent estimate she has made of the number of people working illegally in car washes. (16121)
- 191 **Julia Lopez** (Hornchurch and Upminster): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what proportion of asylum claims have been approved since 4 July 2024. (16225)
- 192 **Julia Lopez** (Hornchurch and Upminster): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will publish a breakdown of approved asylum claims by county of origin since 4 July 2024. (16226)
- 193 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department takes to help determine the ages of irregular migrants. (16274)
- 194 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 5 November 2024 to Question 11414 on Undocumented Migrants: Crimes of Violence, if she will make it her policy to publish data on (a) recorded incidents of assault against her Department's staff and (b) a breakdown of the immigration status of the perpetrators of such assaults. (16286)

- 195 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 26 November to Question 14345 on Undocumented Migrants, if she will make it her policy to publish data on the number of asylum seekers for whom her Department does not have an address. (16287)
- 196 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what information her Department holds on asylum seekers visiting their country of origin whilst still resident in the UK. (16292)
- 197 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what guidance her Department issues on inviting individuals sanctioned by foreign Governments to the United Kingdom. (16149)
- 198 **Valerie Vaz** (Walsall and Bloxwich): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate her Department has made of the number of additional (a) police officers, (b) police community support officers and (c) special constables there will be in each police force in each of the next three years. (16174)
- 199 **Valerie Vaz** (Walsall and Bloxwich): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate she has made of the level of funding that will be required for policing in (a) the West Midlands and (b) Walsall and Bloxwich constituency in each of the next three years; and how much funding her Department plans to provide for policing in those areas in the same period. (16175)
- 200 **Valerie Vaz** (Walsall and Bloxwich): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the policing funding formula for meeting need in the West Midlands. (16176)
- 201 **Valerie Vaz** (Walsall and Bloxwich): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the distribution of Police Uplift Programme funding on the safety of poorer communities in the West Midlands. (16177)
- 202 **Valerie Vaz** (Walsall and Bloxwich): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many (a) police officers and (b) police community support officers there were in (i) rural and (ii) urban areas in the West Midlands in each year since 2019; and if she will make an estimate of the number there will be in each of the next three years. (16178)
- 203 **Sir John Whittingdale** (Maldon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she plans to hold roundtable discussions on the police's use of facial recognition technology; and who will attend the roundtable discussions. (16117)
- 204 **Sir John Whittingdale** (Maldon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she plans to introduce legislation to govern the use of facial recognition technology by the police. (16118)

- 205 **Max Wilkinson** (Cheltenham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will take steps to ensure that the cost of firearms licensing does not reduce resources available for other operational policing. (16324)
- 206 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department plans to change the extant New Medium Helicopter competitive tender. (16212)
- 207 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to his Oral Statement of 20 November 2024, Official Report, columns 287-289, how many platforms his Department intends to procure through the New Medium Helicopter programme, in the context of his decision to decommission 17 Puma helicopters. (16213)
- 208 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of extending the operational lifespan of the Lockheed Martin UH-60 Black Hawk. (16214)
- 209 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of extending the operational lifespan of the Airbus H145 helicopter. (16215)
- 210 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of his decision to retire (a) Chinook heavy transporter helicopters and (b) Puma helicopters on tender scoring for the New Medium Helicopter programme. (16216)
- 211 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what his Department's planned timetable is for announcing the award for the New Medium Helicopter contract. (16217)
- 212 **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 defence on the progress of the New Medium Helicopter programme. (16219)
- 213 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many full-time equivalent employees are employed by (a) his Department and (b) non-departmental public bodies sponsored by his Department; and what estimate he has made of the number of such employees who will be employed in 12 months. (16182)
- 214 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many and what proportion of steel companies that are classed by his Department as critical suppliers into UK defence programmes are based in the UK. (16186)
- 215 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what data his Department holds on the proportion of steel used in defence programmes that was manufactured in the UK. (16187)

- 216 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department plans to restart regular written intelligence briefings to hon. Members on the Russian-Ukrainian war. (16236)
- 217 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what proportion of equipment purchased by his Department and in use by his Department was manufactured (a) in and (b) outside the UK. (16275)
- 218 **Dr Andrew Murrison** (South West Wiltshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 20 November 2024 to Question 13744 on USA: Veterans, what platforms his Department has used to encourage (a) Service personnel, (b) veterans and (c) dependents previously based in Camp Lejeune to write to his Department for advice. (16145)
- 219 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for her policies of the National Audit Office's report entitled Dangerous cladding: the government's remediation portfolio, published on 4 November 2024. (16203)
- 220 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for her policies of the National Audit Office's report entitled Dangerous cladding: the government's remediation portfolio, published on 4 November 2024; and whether she plans to take steps to tackle high insurance premiums on flats affected by building safety defects. (16204)
- 221 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what information her Department collects on the number of buildings where residents have been decanted due to building safety concerns. (16205)
- 222 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what information her Department collects once building safety enforcement action has been taken by local regulators; and if she will make an estimate of the number of buildings where (a) residents have been subsequently decanted from their homes and (b) a waking watch has been subsequently installed at leaseholders' cost in the last 12 months. (16206)
- 223 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what the objectives are for the Recovery Strategy Unit; and how many live cases is it processing. (16207)
- 224 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what discussions she has had with (a) mayors and (b) local authorities in the level of support provided to local government help tackle (i) rough sleeping and (ii) other homelessness in the Autumn Budget 2024. (16210)

- 225 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what recent progress her Department has made on implementing the recommendations in the phase (a) one and (b) two reports of the Grenfell Tower Inquiry. (16221)
- 226N **Sarah Gibson** (Chippenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how much funding her Department is providing to (a) residents and (b) businesses affected by flooding following Storm Bert in Chippenham. [Transferred] (16051)
- 227 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an estimate of the number of people working illegally in the construction industry. (16119)
- 228 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to commission further rounds of the (a) Build to Rent fund and (b) Private Rented Sector Guarantee scheme. (16188)
- 229 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 18 October 2024 to Question 8190 on Social Services: Finance, for what reason a decision on council tax (a) referendums and (b) associated thresholds will not be taken until the spending review, in the context of earlier timetabling requirements for the 2025-26 local government finance settlement. (16190)
- 230 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, by what dates her Department is required to (a) publish and (b) ratify the local government finance settlement for 2025-26; and what the deadlines are for local authorities to publish their (i) budget and (ii) council tax requirements for 2025-26. (16191)
- 231 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will provide details of (a) gifts, (b) donations, (c) donations in kind and (d) hospitality that Ministers in her Department have accepted that have since been paid back to the original donor by the relevant Minister; and under which declaration regime each of those were originally declared. (16192)
- 232 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the Answer of 31 October 2024 to Question HL1722 on Housing: Regeneration, whether the 1.5 million new homes target will count residential dwellings resulting from a change of use from non-residential hereditaments. (16193)

- 233 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, which consultations launched in her Department by the previous Government have closed but have not yet received a substantive Government response, in the context of the Cabinet Office's publication entitled Consultation principles: guidance, last updated in March 2018. (16194)
- 234 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how much funding has been provided to local authorities from Right to Buy receipts to fund new housing in each year since 2009-10. (16195)
- 235 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what her Department's is on ministerial attendance at (a) meetings and (b) conferences (i) sponsored and (ii) connected to firms associated with the Grenfell Tower fire. (16196)
- 236 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of the early release of prisoners on levels of homelessness. (16197)
- 237 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what her policy is on facilitating the use of the Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre by Parliament during its Restoration and Renewal Programme. (16198)
- 238 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether any planning applications for national significant infrastructure development consent have been delayed from the original statutory deadline since 4 July 2024. (16199)
- 239 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 16 October 2024 to Question 7823 on Local Government: Productivity, if she will publish that letter. (16200)
- 240 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the Prime Minister's speech entitled PM International Investment Summit Speech: 14 October 2024, whether she plans to remove (a) nutrient neutrality rules, (b) Environmental Information Assessments and (c) Strategic Environmental Assessments. (16201)
- 241 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will set council tax referendum thresholds for 2025-26. (16202)
- 242 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, for what reason the Minister for Homelessness and Democracy is no longer responsible for the Grenfell brief. (16237)

- 243 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of large electricity pylons on housing prices. (16411)
- 244 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department will require councils to collect household and food waste separately by March 2026. (16313)
- 245 **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of ground rent costs on the ability of long-term leaseholders to sell their leased properties. (16384)
- 246 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will ask local authorities to improve signposting of support groups for unpaid carers. (16288)
- 247 **Dame Caroline Dinenage** (Gosport): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what oversight her Department has over (a) the CPS and (b) the speed of prosecutions. (16135)
- 248 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how much legal aid was provided to (a) irregular migrants and (b) asylum seekers in each of the last five years. (16290)
- 249 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many people have been convicted of online fraud in the last 12 months. (16162)
- 250 **Claire Young** (Thornbury and Yate): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of incentivising people serving non-violent custodial sentences to undertake more community service work. (16353)
- 251 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, with reference to the Written Statement of 29 July 2024 on the Northern Ireland Troubles (Legacy and Reconciliation) Act 2023, HCWS30, what steps he plans to take to consult stakeholders on proposals relating to that Act. (16413)
- 252 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, with reference to the judgment in Summary of judgment - In re Dillon and others - NI Troubles (Legacy and Reconciliation) Act 2023 - CA, whether he plans to repeal Section 44 of the Northern Ireland Troubles (Legacy and Reconciliation) Act 2023. (16419)
- 253 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what discussions he has had with the Northern Ireland executive on gambling laws. (16159)
- 254 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will take additional fiscal steps after the Autumn Budget 2024 to help deliver more homes for social rent before the end of this Parliament. (16220)

- 255 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what criteria her Department plans to use to assess the effectiveness of the digital gilt instrument pilot. (16259)
- 256 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what the role of the (a) Bank of England and (b) Financial Conduct Authority will be in regulatory oversight of the digital gilt instrument pilot. (16260)
- 257 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether her Department is taking steps to involve private sector firms in developing distributed ledger technology for the digital gilt instrument pilot. (16261)
- 258 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps her Department is taking to manage potential risks associated with distributed ledger technology during the pilot digital gilt instrument issuance. (16262)
- 259 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhési** (Slough): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 22 November 2024 to Question 14333, from which Department's budget funding related to the proposed lease of the military base on Diego Garcia will be allocated; whether additional Treasury funding will be provided for that purpose; and whether she has had discussions with US counterparts on funding for the costs of the base. (16185)
- 260 **Dame Caroline Dinenage** (Gosport): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the level of business rates relief for hospitality, leisure and entertainment businesses on such businesses. (16139)
- 261 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much new funding is available for pothole repairs excluding funding previously allocated following the cancellation of HS2. (16441)
- 262 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, for what reason there is no mention of (a) farming and (b) agriculture in the Government's industrial strategy entitled Invest 2035: the UK's modern industrial strategy, published in October 2024. (16124)
- 263 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many international (a) air miles and (b) flights have been completed by (i) her and (ii) staff in her office since 5 July 2024. (16319)
- 264 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the proposed increase in employers' National Insurance contributions on not-for-profit organisations. (16436)
- 265 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what her planned timetable is for the creation of the National Infrastructure and Service Transformation Authority. (16130)

- 266 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, when she plans to publish the 10-year National Infrastructure Strategy; and whether she plans to adopt the recommendations of the National Infrastructure Commission's National Infrastructure Assessment, published on 18 October 2023. (16144)
- 267 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of recent tax increases on small and medium businesses. (16160)
- 268 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if her Department will make an assessment of the adequacy of financial support available to unpaid carers in Bedfordshire. (16289)

Questions for Answer on Friday 29 November

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Gareth Davies** (Grantham and Bourne): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will make an estimate of the number of people who are employed to deliver public services by private sector organisations that have been contracted for this purpose by Government Departments. (16246)
- 2N **Colum Eastwood** (Foyle): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether the Office for Product Safety and Standards has made an estimate of the number of constructions using (a) Mica, (b) Pyrite and (c) other defective building materials in Northern Ireland. (16247)
- 3N **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what discussions she has had with specialist schools that deal with children with the most complex disabilities on the increase in employer National Insurance contributions announced in the budget. (16256)
- 4N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central and West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many and what proportion of (a) schools that have students with Turing grants are independent schools and (b) students that receive Turing grants attend independent schools. (16155)
- 5N **Laurence Turner** (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the Answer of 10 May 2024 to Question 24203 on Youth Endowment Fund, whether it remains her Department's policy to (a) fund and (b) promote the alternative provision specialist taskforce programmes. (16373)

- 6N **Laurence Turner** (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the report by her Department entitled Academic year 2022/23: Progression to higher education or training, published on 24 October 2024, how many and what proportion of students who left 16-to-18 study in each year between 2015-16 and 2020-21 in (a) Birmingham, (b) West Midlands and (c) England progressed to a sustained level 4 or higher destination, broken down by whether those students received (i) an education, health and care plan, (ii) SEN Support provision and (iii) no SEND provision. (16374)
- 7N **Laurence Turner** (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the report by her Department entitled Academic year 2022/23: Key stage 4 destination measures, published on 24 October 2024, how many and what proportion of students who left key stage 4 study in each year between 2015-16 and 2020-21 in (a) Birmingham, (b) West Midlands and (c) England progressed to a sustained (i) education, (ii) employment and (iii) apprenticeships, broken down by whether those students received (A) an education, health and care plan, (B) SEN Support provision and (C) no SEND provision. (16375)
- 8N **Laurence Turner** (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 25 November 2024 to Question 15056 on Non-teaching Staff: Pay, if she will provide a version of that table further broken down by (a) local authority maintained, (b) academy and (c) free school employer status. (16380)
- 9N **Sir Gavin Williamson** (Stone, Great Wyrley and Penkridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an estimate of (a) the number of students who will not be charged the increased annual tuition fee due to their contracts preventing a change in fees once they have started their degree and (b) the total cost of this differential for universities. (16169)
- 10N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an estimate of the cost of building (a) the Western link and (b) all current and future stages of the Eastern Link if that route was primarily overland via pylons instead of offshore cabling. (16211)
- 11N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Epping Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent discussions his Department has had with the Ministry of Defence on the potential merits of using the Armed Forces during extreme weather events. (16266)
- 12N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Epping Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has had discussions with Cabinet colleagues on activating the Bellwin Scheme in response to (a) Storm Bert and (b) other storms. (16267)
- 13N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Epping Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of extending the Flood Re scheme to businesses. (16268)

- 14N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Epping Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of dredging on flood mitigation. (16269)
- 15N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Epping Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions he has had with (a) the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero and (b) energy companies on resilience capability in the event of instances of power cuts during extreme weather events. (16271)
- 16N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, which agency leads the multi-agency response to flooding in Cambridgeshire. (16253)
- 17N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central and West): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, pursuant to the Answer of 25 November 2024 to Question 14940 on Project Gigabit and Shared Rural Network, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the minimum signal strength to support remote working. (16152)
- 18N **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how often she meets senior leaders at Northern Rail to discuss its service delivery in the north of England. (16254)
- 19N **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she plans to fund a Metrolink extension to Stockport before the end of this Parliament. (16258)
- 20N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central and West): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 14 November to Question 13473 and the Answer of 20 November 2024 to Question 14457 on London North Eastern Railway: WiFi, whether complaints about WiFi are included in the category entitled facilities on board. (16158)
- 21N **Laurence Turner** (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to page 8 of the Network Rail publication entitled 2022 Delivery Plan Update: North West and Central, published in May 2022, what was the outturn proportion of investment milestones that were missed in that region in (a) 2022-23 and (b) 2023-24; and what were the investment milestones that were missed in that region by each item in (i) 2022-23 and (ii) 2023-24. (16372)
- 22N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made with Cabinet colleagues of the adequacy of healthcare provision in HMP Wandsworth. [Transferred] (15839)
- 23N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve the quality of healthcare provision across the prison estate. [Transferred] (15840)

- 24N **Steff Aquarone** (North Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 24 October 2024 to Question 9576 on Methylphenidate: Shortages, what recent progress her Department has made on improving the supply of methylphenidate in (a) Norfolk and (b) the UK. (16285)
- 25N **Sir Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he plans to take to ensure the availability of learning disability nursing studies programmes in the South East. (16122)
- 26N **Mike Martin** (Tunbridge Wells): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what information his Department holds on the amount of funding received by the most recently-established independent NHS GP surgery in Kent. (16381)
- 27N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what events to mark St Andrew's day are taking place in UK embassies. (16234)
- 28N **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department has made an impact assessment of changes in the numbers of Police Community Support Officers in Greater Manchester. (16257)
- 29N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many (a) police officers, (b) Police Community Support Officers and (c) special constables are planned to be recruited between 1 December 2024 and 31 March 2025. (16281)
- 30N **Chris Philp** (Croydon South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to her Oral Statement of 22 July 2024 on Border Security and Asylum, Official Report, columns 384-387, if she will publish a breakdown of the £700 million. (16235)
- 31N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 14 October 2024 to Question 7495 on Global Combat Air Programme, whether the Strategic Defence Review will consider whether the core programme will be piloted. (16232)
- 32N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential (a) causes and (b) consequences of the recent road traffic incident in Estonia involving British armed forces personnel. (16238)
- 33N **Robin Swann** (South Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether any MACA requests have been made as a result of storm Bert. (16379)
- 34N **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion Preseli): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how much funding her Department plans to provide through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund to projects in Wales in the (a) 2024-25 and (b) 2025-26 financial year by project. (16233)

- 35N **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what data her Department holds on the number of (a) criminal legal aid firms and (b) duty solicitors contracted to provide legal aid in (i) Shropshire and (ii) Telford constituency for each year data is available. (16270)
- 36N **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many court clerks have worked at Telford Magistrates Court for each year that data is available. (16272)
- 37N **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what outstanding money was owed by defendants in (a) court fines, (b) prosecution costs, and (c) victim related costs at Telford Magistrates for each year data is available. (16273)
- 38N **Steff Aquarone** (North Norfolk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will take steps to support those asked to pay large interest payments on pension contributions as a result of the McCloud judgement. (16307)
- 39N **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to paragraph 2.41 of the Autumn Budget, published on 24 October 2024, what estimate he has made of the potential cost to the public purse of the increase in the employment allowance in each year of the forecast period. (16322)

Questions for Answer on Monday 2 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the Office for National Statistics has made an estimate of the (a) number and (b) proportion of people in the UK that are potentially here illegally. (16332)
- 2N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 18 October 2024 to Question 8436 on Government Departments: Disclosure of Information, if he will make it his policy that all transparency publications currently published quarterly will be published monthly. (16348)
- 3N **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he had discussions with Stellantis prior to the announcement of the closure of the Vauxhall site in Luton. (16357)
- 4N **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if his Department will make an assessment of the impact of the closure of the Stellantis Vauxhall site in Luton on the economy of (a) Luton Borough and (b) Bedfordshire. (16358)

- 5N **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether his Department plans to take steps to help Luton Borough Council secure the long-term future of employment at the Stellantis Vauxhall site in Luton. (16359)
- 6N **Tonia Antoniazzi** (Gower): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for her policies of the report by the UN Special Rapporteur on violence against women and girls entitled Violence against women and girls in sports, published 27 August 2024. (16189)
- 7N **Ian Sollom** (St Neots and Mid Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many pupils were (a) suspended and (b) permanently excluded from primary schools in England in 2023/24; and what proportion of such pupils were identified as having SEND. (16263)
- 8N **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department has had discussions with Stellantis on the phase-out timeline for petrol and diesel cars. (16360)
- 9N **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department has taken to help the automotive industry meet the 2030 phase-out date for petrol and diesel cars. (16361)
- 10N **Samantha Niblett** (South Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking with (a) regional mayoralities and (b) wider local government to help tackle violence against women and girls. [Transferred] (15893)
- 11N **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether her Department has undertaken an assessment of the proposed increase in the rate of employers' National Insurance contributions on (a) social enterprises and (b) voluntary and community sector organisations. (16222)

Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government

- 1 **Paulette Hamilton** (Birmingham Erdington): What steps her Department is taking to increase the supply of social housing. (901544)
- 2 **Jessica Toale** (Bournemouth West): What steps her Department is taking to increase the supply of social housing. (901545)
- 3 **Louise Jones** (North East Derbyshire): What recent progress her Department has made on planning reform. (901546)
- 4 **Sir Ashley Fox** (Bridgwater): What discussions she has had with local government representatives on potential future devolution agreements in Somerset. (901547)

- 5 **Mr Gagan Mohindra** (South West Hertfordshire): What changes her Department is making to the National Planning Policy Framework. (901548)
- 6 **Douglas McAllister** (West Dunbartonshire): What steps her Department is taking to increase the supply of social housing. (901549)
- 7 **Chris Webb** (Blackpool South): What steps her Department is taking to support councils in reducing homelessness. (901550)
- 8 **Josh MacAlister** (Whitehaven and Workington): What recent progress her Department has made on planning reform. (901551)
- 9 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): What changes her Department is making to the National Planning Policy Framework. (901552)
- 10 **Mary Glindon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): What consultation her Department has undertaken with staff on the decision to close six offices. (901553)
- 11 **Damien Egan** (Bristol North East): What steps she plans to take to reform the leasehold system. (901554)
- 12 **Emma Foody** (Cramlington and Killingworth): What steps she is taking to further devolve powers to local communities. (901555)
- 13 **Steve Race** (Exeter): What progress her Department has made on ending rough sleeping. [R] (901556)
- 14 **Naushabah Khan** (Gillingham and Rainham): What steps her Department is taking to support community ownership of local assets. (901557)
- 15 **Mr Paul Kohler** (Wimbledon): What assessment she has made of the potential impact of service charges on residents in social housing. (901558)
- 16 **Gregor Poynton** (Livingston): What steps her Department is taking to increase the supply of social housing. (901559)
- 17 **Rachel Taylor** (North Warwickshire and Bedworth): What steps her Department is taking to allocate local growth funding according to need. (901560)
- 18 **Gill German** (Clwyd North): What steps her Department is taking to allocate local growth funding according to need. (901561)
- 19 **Samantha Niblett** (South Derbyshire): What role her Department expects the (a) Mayoral Council and (b) Leaders Council to play in supporting regional governance. (901562)
- 20 **Jon Trickett** (Normanton and Hemsworth): What assessment she has made of the adequacy of funding for local government. (901563)
- 21 **Warinder Juss** (Wolverhampton West): What steps her Department is taking to support councils in reducing homelessness. (901564)
- 22 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): What steps she is taking to recruit 300 new planners. (901565)

- 23 **Satvir Kaur** (Southampton Test): What discussions she has had with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on using local growth funding to help increase economic growth. (901566)
- 24 **Peter Lamb** (Crawley): What role the Office of Local Government will play in examining council spending. (901567)
- 25 **Olly Glover** (Didcot and Wantage): If she will have discussions with Cabinet colleagues on the potential merits of reforming the electoral system used to elect Members of Parliament. (901568)

Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government

- T1 **Mr Luke Charters** (York Outer): If she will make a statement on her departmental responsibilities. (901569)
- T2 **Noah Law** (St Austell and Newquay): (901570)
- T3 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): (901571)
- T4 **Steve Race** (Exeter): [R] (901572)
- T5 **Mr Gagan Mohindra** (South West Hertfordshire): (901573)
- T6 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): (901574)
- T7 **Tristan Osborne** (Chatham and Aylesford): (901575)
- T8 **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): (901576)
- T9 **Sonia Kumar** (Dudley): (901577)
- T10 **Dr Allison Gardner** (Stoke-on-Trent South): (901578)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 3 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps he is taking to roll out loft insulation protection through the Warm Homes Plan. (16276)
- 2N **Vikki Slade** (Mid Dorset and North Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will (a) undertake a needs assessment for waste disposal and (b) ban new incinerators unless there is a proven need for them. (16403)

- 3N **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if her Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a Pension Credit uptake target. (16388)
- 4N **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate she has made of the cost of hiring 3,000 additional staff in fraud and error. (16389)
- 5N **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate she has made of the time taken to (a) recruit and (b) train 3,000 additional staff in fraud and error. (16391)
- 6N **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how long it takes to train a new staff member to process pension credit applications. (16394)
- 7N **Samantha Niblett** (South Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the number of pensioners signed up to receive pension credit in South Derbyshire constituency. (16304)
- 8N **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve waiting times to access dementia treatment in Warwickshire. (16370)
- 9N **Calum Miller** (Bicester and Woodstock): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, when he plans to publish the Human Rights and Democracy Report 2023. (16404)
- 10N **Calum Miller** (Bicester and Woodstock): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, when he plans to publish the audit of the UK's partnership with China as a bilateral and global actor. (16405)
- 11N **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make a comparative assessment of the processing times for (a) parent, (b) spousal and (c) work visas. (16300)
- 12N **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will take steps to reduce the time taken to process visas for the parents of people living in the UK. (16301)
- 13N **Calum Miller** (Bicester and Woodstock): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she plans to publish the findings of the review into the Tier 1 (Investor) visa route. (16406)
- 14N **Samantha Niblett** (South Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to help reduce the incidence of antisocial behaviour in rural areas. (16305)

- 15N **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool Riverside): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many potential violations of international humanitarian law by Israel he has assessed since 8 October 2023. (16323)
- 16N **Samantha Niblett** (South Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what plans he has to support veterans in South Derbyshire with (a) housing and (b) education and skills training. (16302)
- 17N **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will include a degradation factor for new builds that applies to loft insulation over time in her Department's proposed Future Homes Standard. (16278)
- 18N **Samantha Niblett** (South Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what plans she has to support (a) pubs and (b) the wider hospitality industry in (i) rural areas and (ii) South Derbyshire constituency. (16303)
- 19N **Pete Wishart** (Perth and Kinross-shire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to help support people who are unable to re-mortgage their properties because of fire safety issues. (16125)
- 20N **Mr James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much Vehicle Excise Duty was raised from vehicles registered to addresses in the municipal area of Essex County Council in the last two financial years. (16239)

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- 1N **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South and Walkden): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the Prime Minister raised Myanmar with President Xi Jinping of China during their meeting on 18 November. (16146)

Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Scotland

- 1 **Lillian Jones** (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): What steps he has taken with Cabinet colleagues to help support economic growth in Scotland. (901529)
- 2 **Dr Neil Shastri-Hurst** (Solihull West and Shirley): What steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help support veterans in Scotland. (901530)
- 3 **Elaine Stewart** (Ayr, Carrick and Cumnock): What steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help improve living standards in Scotland. (901531)

- 4 **Imogen Walker** (Hamilton and Clyde Valley): What steps he is taking to support the regeneration of Scottish town centres. (901532)
- 5 **John Lamont** (Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk): What steps he is taking to improve transport connectivity between Scotland and England. (901533)
- 6 **Frank McNally** (Coatbridge and Bellshill): What discussions he has had with the Scottish Government on the Autumn Budget 2024. (901534)
- 7 **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): What discussions he has had with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on the potential impact of proposed changes to employer National Insurance contributions on hospices in Scotland. (901535)
- 8 **Joani Reid** (East Kilbride and Strathaven): What steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help create defence jobs in Scotland. (901536)
- 9 **Martin Rhodes** (Glasgow North): What steps he has taken with Cabinet colleagues to help support economic growth in Scotland. (901537)
- 10 **Robbie Moore** (Keighley and Ilkley): What steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help support veterans in Scotland. (901538)
- 11 **Douglas McAllister** (West Dunbartonshire): What steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help improve living standards in Scotland. (901539)
- 12 **Irene Campbell** (North Ayrshire and Arran): What discussions he has had with the Scottish Government on the Autumn Budget 2024. (901540)
- 13 **Chris Murray** (Edinburgh East and Musselburgh): What recent progress he has made with Cabinet colleagues on the green energy transition in Scotland. (901541)
- 14 **Brendan O'Hara** (Argyll, Bute and South Lochaber): What discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions on the potential impact of recent changes to the Winter Fuel Payment on pensioners in Scotland. (901542)
- 15 **Torcuil Crichton** (Na h-Eileanan an Iar): What recent progress he has made with Cabinet colleagues on the green energy transition in Scotland. (901543)