

#### **PUBLISHED - TUESDAY 10 DECEMBER 2024**

# Questions tabled on Monday 9 December 2024

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

## Questions for Answer on Tuesday 10 December

### **Questions for Written Answer**

- 1N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what discussions the Prime Minister has had with (a) representatives of the British Museum and (b) the Greek government on the Elgin Marbles. [Transferred] (18206)
- Rupert Lowe (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many crimes were committed by people with refugee status in the UK in each of the last 10 years; and what those crimes were.

  [Transferred] (18446)
- Rupert Lowe (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what proportion of Foreign National Offenders have held refugee status in each of the last five years.

  [Transferred] (18450)
- 4 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many Foreign National Offenders in prison hold refugee status. [Transferred] (18451)
- Jeremy Corbyn (Islington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, if she will take steps to ensure that landlords who
  are found liable for rent repayment orders in tribunal pay back monies owed. [Transferred]
  (18102)
- David Chadwick (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 22 July 2024 to Question 210 on Development Aid, what fiscal circumstances are required for the restoration of the Official Development Assistance budget to 0.7% of gross national income.

  [Transferred] (18476)

## Questions for Answer on Wednesday 11 December

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

- Adam Jogee (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Solicitor General, what recent steps she has taken to help ensure the effective prosecution of (a) wildlife, (b) heritage, (c) rural and (d) waste crime in Newcastle-under-Lyme constituency. (18760)
- Josh Fenton-Glynn (Calder Valley): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many Departments have social media accounts by social media platform; and how much each Department spends on social media (a) subscriptions and (b) advertisements on each social media platform in each of the last three years. (18822)
- 3 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many full-time equivalent diversity, equality and inclusion staff are employed by the Equality and Human Rights Commission. (18489)
- 4 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 18 November 2024 to Question 13327 on DCMS: Official Visits, when he plans to announce when he plans to publish the (a) Q1 and (b) Q2 transparency data. (18670)
- Sir John Hayes (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Member for Battersea, representing the Church Commissioners, what steps the Church is taking to help ensure the preservation of historic churches in (a) South Holland and the Deepings constituency and (b) Lincolnshire.
- 6 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Member for Battersea, representing the Church Commissioners, whether the Church of England has a formal process for the removal of an Archbishop. (18669)
- 7 **Maureen Burke** (Glasgow North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what estimate he has made of the number of people that will be affected by the increase to the national minimum wage in Glasgow North East constituency. (18737)
- 8 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of the Investor-State Dispute Settlement provisions of the UK/Colombia: Bilateral Agreement for the Promotion and Protection of Investments on the (a) natural environment and (b) rights of indigenous peoples. (18798)
- 9 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to ensure that people in (a) South Holland and the Deepings constituency and (b) Lincolnshire are able to access essential postal services. (18487)

- Mr Connor Rand (Altrincham and Sale West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what the criteria are for automotive companies to access the support for transition to electric vehicles announced in the Budget. (18757)
- 11 **Mr Connor Rand** (Altrincham and Sale West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what discussions he has had with European counterparts on joining the EU in applying tariffs on Chinese electric vehicles. (18758)
- Bell Ribeiro-Addy (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the potential impact on (a) small businesses and (b) insurance premiums of changes in the levels of high street thefts. (18644)
- Dame Caroline Dinenage (Gosport): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, with reference to the Civil Society Covenant Framework, published on 17 October 2024, what steps her Department is taking to engage with civil society on the development of the National Youth Strategy. (18525)
- Dame Caroline Dinenage (Gosport): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if her Department will take steps to support the funding of uniformed youth organisations to (a) help tackle waiting lists and (b) expand volunteering opportunities for young people. (18526)
- 15N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, pursuant to the answer of 25 November 2024 to Question 15230 on 10 Downing Street: Government Art Collection, whether the Government Art Collection website shows what artworks have been removed from 10 Downing Street since 5 July 2024.
- David Pinto-Duschinsky (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking with the football authorities to support (a) ex-professional players impacted by football-related dementia and (b) their families. (18851)
- 17 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds Central and Headingley): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she plans to publish the research that her Department has commissioned London Economics to undertake on the online prize draws and competitions market. (18602)
- Mike Amesbury (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of living in temporary accommodation on the educational attainment of children at each of the key stages between early years and key stage 4. (18608)
- Mike Amesbury (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what role Ofsted plays in ensuring the (a) safety, (b) wellbeing and (c) educational attainment of children living in temporary accommodation. (18609)

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- 21 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the adequacy of travel provision for children to attend school when living in temporary accommodation. (18611)
- Mike Amesbury (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to increase the number of foster carers in (a) England and (b) Cheshire.
  (18612)
- 23 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she plans to take with local authorities to improve the (a) transparency and (b) accountability of multi academy trusts. (18613)
- 24 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made a recent estimate of how many primary school children do not speak English as their first language. (18486)
- Damian Hinds (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when she expects teaching of GCSE Natural History to begin. (18517)
- 26 Damian Hinds (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment has she made of the potential merits of writing by hand in learning to write lessons. (18518)
- 27 **Rachel Hopkins** (Luton South and South Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether Special Educational Need schools are eligible for split school site funding. (18680)
- 28 **Dr Neil Hudson** (Epping Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will continue her Department's funding for the Mandarin Excellence Programme. (18676)
- 29 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing ring-fenced funding to post-16 colleges to fund bus transport for students. (18842)
- David Pinto-Duschinsky (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what plans her Department has to improve SEND provision in schools in Hendon. (18850)
- Jack Rankin (Windsor): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to improve (a) management accountability and (b) the complaints and oversight system for staff at multi-academy trusts. (18838)

- 32 Ian Roome (North Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of changes to levels of funding for Level-7 apprenticeships on access to graduate-level education in rural areas.
  (18739)
- Cameron Thomas (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to help reduce the backlog of Education, Health and Care Plans in (a) Gloucestershire and (b) England. (18845)
- Dan Tomlinson (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that (a) boys and (b) young men receive education in school on preventing violence against women and girls in schools. (18820)
- Andrew Bowie (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to construct grid connections for Sizewell C. (18591)
- Andrew Bowie (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to construct grid connections for North Lincolnshire Energy Park. (18592)
- Andrew Bowie (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether his Department is taking steps to extend the operation of existing nuclear power plants beyond 2030. (18593)
- Andrew Bowie (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether his Department is taking steps to (a) invest in nuclear fusion and (b) expand the use of small modular nuclear reactors. (18594)
- 39 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what progress has been made on the Green Industries Growth Accelerator programme. (18595)
- 40 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what his planned timetable is for announcing Green Industries Growth Accelerator grants. (18596)
- 41 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, pursuant to the Answer of 3 December 2024 to Question 16151 on Energy: Supply Chains, whether his Department is taking steps to include (a) trade unions and (b) civil society in the solar taskforce. (18547)
- 42 **George Freeman** (Mid Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what plans he has for the use of Earth observation data; and whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of using it to support the (a) measurement, (b) monitoring and (c) setting of UK net zero emissions targets. [R] (18533)

- 43 **George Freeman** (Mid Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will have discussions with the (a) UK Space Agency and (b) Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology on using UK Earth Observation data for greenhouse gas emissions tracking.

  [R] (18534)
- 44 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he meet with National Grid to discuss the potential cost to the public purse from compensation for loss of property value as a result of proposed pylons installations in South Holland and The Deepings constituency. (18494)
- 45 **Angus MacDonald** (Inverness, Skye and West Ross-shire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an estimate of the potential impact of levels of fuel poverty on levels of excess deaths in each of the last two years. (18867)
- Joe Morris (Hexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to reduce the use of single-use plastic. (18723)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what estimate the Government has made of the number of green jobs created by the (a) production and (b) uptake of renewable liquid gases. (18543)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what information his Department holds on the number of (a) gas boilers, (b) oil boilers, (c) heat pumps and (d) biofuel boilers there were in 2023; and if he will make an estimate of the number of each there will be in 2030.
- 49 **David Smith** (North Northumberland): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that people have functioning smart meters in (a) North Northumberland constituency and (b) other rural areas. (18788)
- 50 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds Central and Headingley): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, If he will delay announcing subsidy decisions on Drax until after he has received Ofgem's report on the compliance of Drax with sustainability rules during the last financial year. (18603)
- Nick Timothy (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what discussions (a) Ministers, (b) special advisors, and (c) officials in his Department had with the National Energy System Operator on modelling assumptions in the Clean Power 2030 report. (18690)
- Nick Timothy (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he is taking steps with the National Energy System Operator to increase demand flexibility in the electricity system by four to five times the current level by 2030.

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- Nick Timothy (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps he is taking with the National Energy System Operator to increase transmission network capacity by 2030. (18692)
- Nick Timothy (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to construct grid connections for (a) Norfolk and (b) Tilbury. (18693)
- Nick Timothy (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to minimise delays in constructing new grid connections.

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- Nick Timothy (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to reduce curtailment payments. (18695)
- 57 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what estimate he has made of the financial impact of the Clean Heat Market Mechanism on the average household income. (18696)
- Nick Timothy (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an estimate of the reduction in emissions in tCO2 due to the introduction of the Clean Heat Market Mechanism in each year from 2025 to 2030. (18697)
- Nick Timothy (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what discussions (a) Ministers, (b) special advisers, and (c) officials in his Department have had with the Quadrature Climate Foundation since 5 July 2024. (18698)
- Nick Timothy (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what discussions (a) Ministers, (b) special advisers, and (c) officials in his Department have had with the Quadrature Capital since 5 July 2024. (18699)
- Nick Timothy (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what discussions (a) Ministers, (b) special advisers, and (c) officials in his Department have had with Ecotricity since 5 July 2024. (18700)
- 62 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he has made any declarations of interest to the Permanent Secretary of his Department relating to the direct appointments he has made. (18701)
- 63 **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the effectiveness of the Hunting Act 2004. (18671)
- George Freeman (Mid Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to use earth observation data to help support the (a) measurement, (b) monitoring and (c) setting of (i) agricultural, (ii) landfill and (iii) land use contributions to the UK's net zero emissions targets.

  [R] (18535)

John McDonnell (Hayes and Harlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will take steps to prevent boat dwellers without a permanent mooring from (a) having their homes seized and (b) being financially penalised in enforcement action by (i) the Canal and River Trust and (ii) other navigation authorities.

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- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton and Winchmore Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of making allergen training a mandatory requirement for hospitality venues. (18576)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton and Winchmore Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will bring forward legislative proposals to increase the availability of allergen information in hospitality venues where food is not pre-packed.

  (18577)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton and Winchmore Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of severe food allergy labelling requirements for hospitality venues. (18578)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton and Winchmore Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will extend the Food Information (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2019 to (a) restaurant menus and (b) non-pre-packed food. (18579)
- **Shivani Raja** (Leicester East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to (a) provide funding for flood defence infrastructure, (b) help tackle the impact of climate change and (c) otherwise mitigate flood risks in Leicester. (18713)
- **Shivani Raja** (Leicester East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to hold water companies accountable for financial mismanagement. (18715)
- **Shivani Raja** (Leicester East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of banning the import and sale of fur products on (a) businesses and (b) consumers in Leicester. (18716)
- Gregory Stafford (Farnham and Bordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment,
  Food and Rural Affairs, if he will take steps to ensure that halal products are clearly
  marked on food labelling. (18843)
- **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of (a) UK-US trade relations and (b) the incoming US administration on the agricultural sector. (18730)
- **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the NFU mass lobby on 19 November 2024. (18731)

- 76 **Dame Caroline Dinenage** (Gosport): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he plans to run an awareness campaign for the switchover from analogue to digital phone lines. (18527)
- 77 **Dame Caroline Dinenage** (Gosport): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the migration of analogue phone lines to digital voice over internet protocol on elderly people in Gosport.

  (18528)
- 78 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
  Innovation and Technology, how much Government funding there was into rheumatoid
  arthritis research in 2023-24; and which public bodies provided that funding. (18771)
- 79 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, how much Government funding there was into osteoarthritis arthritis research in 2023-24; and which public bodies provided that funding. (18772)
- Peter Fortune (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
  Innovation and Technology, how much Government funding there was into psoriatic
  arthritis research in 2023-24; and which public bodies provided that funding. (18773)
- Peter Fortune (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
  Innovation and Technology, how much Government funding there was into systemic lupus
  erythematosus research in 2023-24; and which public bodies provided that funding. (18774)
- 82 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
  Innovation and Technology, how much Government funding there was into joint
  replacement research in 2023-24; and which public bodies provided that funding. (18775)
- Peter Fortune (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
  Innovation and Technology, how much Government funding there was into crystal
  arthropathy research in 2023-24; and which public bodies provided that funding. (18776)
- Peter Fortune (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
  Innovation and Technology, how much Government funding there was into osteoporosis
  research in 2023-24; and which public bodies provided that funding. (18777)
- Peter Fortune (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
  Innovation and Technology, how much Government investment into compression fracture
  research there was in 2023-24; and which public bodies provided that investment. (18778)
- Peter Fortune (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
  Innovation and Technology, how much Government investment into multiple myeloma
  there was in 2023-24; and which public bodies provided that investment. (18779)

- Peter Fortune (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
  Innovation and Technology, how much Government investment into vitamin d deficiency
  disease research there was in 2023-24; and which public bodies provided that investment.

  (18780)
- **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
  Innovation and Technology, how much Government funding there was into osteomalacia
  research in 2023-24; and which public bodies provided that funding. (18781)
- **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
  Innovation and Technology, how much Government funding there was into fibromyalgia
  research in 2023-24; and which public bodies provided that funding. (18782)
- **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, how much Government funding there was into ankylosing spondylitis research in 2023-24; and which public bodies provided that funding. (18783)
- **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
  Innovation and Technology, how much Government funding there was into stills disease
  research in 2023-24; and which public bodies provided that funding. (18784)
- **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
  Innovation and Technology, how much Government funding there was into lyme disease
  research in 2023-24; and which public bodies provided that funding. (18785)
- **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
  Innovation and Technology, how much Government funding there was into reactive
  arthritis research in 2023-24; and which public bodies provided that funding. (18786)
- **George Freeman** (Mid Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what plans he has for the future of the Geospatial Commission's Earth observation data pilot. [R] (18529)
- **George Freeman** (Mid Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what plans he has for future (a) funding of and (b) data sharing by the Earth observation data hub.

  [R] (18530)
- George Freeman (Mid Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what plans he has for the UK Space Agency's methane monitoring programme.
   [R] (18531)
- **George Freeman** (Mid Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what plans he has as chair of the Committee on Earth Observation Satellites to support development of methane emissions measurement best practices. [R] (18532)

- **Mark Pritchard** (The Wrekin): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if he will take steps to prevent social media companies adjusting network algorithms to promote actions by users (a) favouring political (i) candidates and (ii) outcomes and (b) who are potential national security threats. (18514)
- **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions he has had with ARIA on support for research into space weather since July 2024. (18648)
- **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions he has had with the Arts and Humanities Research Council on its approach to supporting research into space weather and its consequences since July 2024. (18649)
- **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions he has had with the Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council on its approach to supporting research into space weather and its consequences since July 2024. (18650)
- **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions he has had since with the Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council on its approach to supporting research into space weather and its consequences since July 2024. (18651)
- **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions he has had with the Economic and Social Research Council on its approach to supporting research into space weather and its consequences since July 2024. (18652)
- **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions he has had with the Medical Research Council on its approach to supporting research into space weather and its consequences since July 2024. (18653)
- **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions he has had with the Natural Environment Research Council on its approach to support research into space weather and its consequences since July 2024. (18654)
- **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions he has had with the Science and Technology Facilities Council on research into space weather and its consequences since July 2024.

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- **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions he has had with Innovate UK on research into space weather and its consequences since July 2024. (18656)

- **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions he has had with Research England on research into space weather and its consequences since July 2024. (18657)
- **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment has he made of potential opportunities for research into (a) space weather and (b) its consequences through Horizon Europe. (18658)
- **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
  Innovation and Technology, whether he has had discussions with Horizon Europe on
  UK-based research into (a) space weather and (b) its consequences since July 2024. (18659)
- **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he plans to produce a domestic research strategy for space weather. (18660)
- **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he has had discussions with UK Research and Innovation on their approach to research into (a) space weather and (b) its consequences since July 2024. (18661)
- **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he has had discussions with businesses on the Government's approach to research into (a) space weather and (b) its consequences since July 2024. (18662)
- **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions he has had with universities on research into space weather and its consequences since July 2024. (18663)
- **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions he has had with the Geospatial Commission on research into space weather and its consequences since July 2024. (18664)
- **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of UK research into space weather and its consequences on domestic cybersecurity. (18665)
- **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of AI on UK research into space weather and its consequences. (18666)
- **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
  Innovation and Technology, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of AI
  regulation for UK research into space weather and its consequences. (18667)

- Mr Calvin Bailey (Leyton and Wanstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the Department for Science, Innovation and Technology's report entitled Regulatory Horizons Council: the Future Regulation of Space Technologies, published on 25 April 2024, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that small space businesses have regulatory guidance from the Civil Aviation Authority that supports the (a) launch and (b) return of experimental (i) satellites and (ii) spacecraft. (18688)
- **Mr Calvin Bailey** (Leyton and Wanstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of the (a) clarity, (b) consistency and (c) timeliness of licensing assessments of launch and return activities for experimental satellites and spacecraft by the Civil Aviation Authority on the investment decisions of small space (i) start-ups and (ii) other businesses in the UK space sector. (18689)
- **Carla Denyer** (Bristol Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 9 December 2024 to Question 17936 on Electric Vehicles: Charging Points, if she will publish her assessment of the differences in the cost per kWh of public and home electric vehicle charging. (18729)
- **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent assessment she has made of the adequacy of the support provided for people with mobility issues to access trains at Spalding station. (18484)
- **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of changes to the level of the bus fare cap on public transport use in Lincolnshire. (18485)
- Helen Maguire (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of revising the eligibility criteria for the Blue Badge scheme to include children under three requiring bulky mobility aids. (18837)
- **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many DVSA delegated driving examiner training slots are scheduled for 2025. (18740)
- **Jerome Mayhew** (Broadland and Fakenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if her Department will create a value for money team. (18616)
- **Jerome Mayhew** (Broadland and Fakenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when her Department projects that the Transpennine Route Upgrade will be completed.

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- **Jerome Mayhew** (Broadland and Fakenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when her Department projects that the A57 link road upgrade will be completed. (18618)
- **Jerome Mayhew** (Broadland and Fakenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department has appointed additional members to the Aviation Accessibility Task and Finish Group. (18619)

- 130 **Jerome Mayhew** (Broadland and Fakenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much funding remains available through the HGV parking and driver welfare grant scheme.

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- 131 **Jerome Mayhew** (Broadland and Fakenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when she plans to bring forward a Buses Bill. (18621)
- 132 **Jerome Mayhew** (Broadland and Fakenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department plans to implement key performance indicators to measure the performance of rail operators after franchises have expired. (18622)
- 133 Jerome Mayhew (Broadland and Fakenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department has made changes to the membership of the Rail Services Group since 4 July 2024.
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- 134 Jerome Mayhew (Broadland and Fakenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department has made changes to the membership of the Major Rail Projects Group since 4 July 2024.
  (18624)
- Jerome Mayhew (Broadland and Fakenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport,
   whether her Department has made changes to the membership of the Road Transport
   Group since 4 July 2024. (18625)
- 136 Jerome Mayhew (Broadland and Fakenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department has made changes to the membership of the Aviation, Maritime and Security Group since 4 July 2024.
  (18626)
- 137 **Jerome Mayhew** (Broadland and Fakenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department has made changes to the membership of the Public Transport and Local Group since 4 July 2024. (18627)
- Jerome Mayhew (Broadland and Fakenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport,
   whether her Department has made changes to the membership of the Decarbonisation,
   Technology and Strategy Group since 4 July 2024. (18628)
- 139 **Jerome Mayhew** (Broadland and Fakenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department has made changes to the (a) scope and (b) responsibilities of the Rail Services Group since 4 July 2024. (18629)
- Jerome Mayhew (Broadland and Fakenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport,
   whether her Department has made changes to the (a) scope and (b) responsibilities of the
   Major Rail Projects Group since 4 July 2024.
- 141 Jerome Mayhew (Broadland and Fakenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department has made changes to the (a) scope and (b) responsibilities of the Roads Transport Group since 4 July 2024.
  (18631)

- **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the adequacy of [the condition of] train stations in South Basildon and East Thurrock constituency. (18866)
- Mike Reader (Northampton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of including the regulation of self-driving delivery robots alongside other forms of micro mobility. (18828)
- **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what support is available to drivers involved in accidents with untraceable drivers (a) in cases where the innocent driver cannot afford to wait the time it takes for the Motor Insurance Bureau to process a claim and (b) generally; and if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of measures to (i) expedite the claims process and (ii) provide interim financial assistance to such drivers. (18787)
- **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment she has made of the adequacy of universal credit payment levels in the context of (a) food costs, (b) bills and (c) other essential costs. (18708)
- **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of trialling automated recording of health assessment information under the Health Transformation Programme. (18709)
- **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of trialling the provision of a copy assessment report when informing claimants of a decision on a benefit claim under the Health Transformation Programme. (18710)
- **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many and what proportion of mandatory reconsiderations of work capability assessment decisions have resulted in a different decision in each of the last three years. (18711)
- **Paul Davies** (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to tackle the number of people dying in poverty in Kirklees.

  (18832)
- Neil Duncan-Jordan (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of maintaining the state pension age at
   67. (18848)
- **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will review the planned increase in the state pension age to 68. (18849)
- John McDonnell (Hayes and Harlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and
   Pensions, whether algorithm driven risk scoring is being used in the process of selecting
   Universal Credit claimants for a Targeted Case Review. (18480)

- 153 John McDonnell (Hayes and Harlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many targeted case reviews her Department expects to have carried by the end of 2024. (18481)
- 154 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton and Winchmore Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of extending access to benefits for families with children who have no recourse to public funds on levels of child poverty.

  (18587)
- Shivani Raja (Leicester East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department plans to review the two child benefit cap. (18712)
- Dr Roz Savage (South Cotswolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if her Department will take steps to provide financial support for pension-age carers providing full-time care but no longer eligible for Carer's Allowance. (18844)
- 157 **Jessica Toale** (Bournemouth West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what progress she has made on reforming the welfare system for people with mental illhealth. (18766)
- 158 Jessica Toale (Bournemouth West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the assessment process for Personal Independent Payment on the mental health of those assessed; and if she will reform that process.
  (18767)
- 159 **Jessica Toale** (Bournemouth West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department is implementing a trauma-informed approach across all its services. (18768)
- 160 Jessica Toale (Bournemouth West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what training her Department provides to its staff on supporting people who have experienced trauma. (18769)
- 161 **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to reduce (a) delays and (b) complexities in obtaining the necessary information to purchase additional years of National Insurance contributions to maximise their state pension (a) faced by women and (b) generally. (18823)
- 162 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the Autumn Budget 2024 on levels of unemployment. (18672)
- Matt Vickers (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether she has had discussions with the Secretary of State for Business and Trade on the potential impact of the Employment Rights Bill on the employment rate. (18673)

- 164 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the Autumn Budget 2024 on levels of poverty.

  (18674)
- 165 **Luke Akehurst** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that the NHS long-term health plan complements the National Cancer Strategy in the context of the (a) recruitment and (b) retention of (i) radiographers and (ii) radiologists. (18732)
- Luke Akehurst (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that patients requiring radiotherapy start their treatment with 31 days of a doctor deciding on their treatment plan. (18733)
- Julia Buckley (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department will take steps to establish a cross-departmental long-term conditions taskforce to help (a) improve care for those with long-term conditions and (b) people back into work.
- Julia Buckley (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department are taking to help improve data collection on the (a) prevalence and (b) impact on (i) public health and (ii) the NHS of long-term health conditions.
  (18762)
- 169 **Julia Buckley** (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department will make an assessment of the adequacy of NHS targets for incentivising improvement in patient experience. (18763)
- Julia Buckley (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that measures to improve the management of long-term conditions are included within the NHS 10 year plan. (18764)
- 171 **Maureen Burke** (Glasgow North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help (a) reduce bureaucracy and (b) improve access to treatments. (18738)
- Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve the (a) assessment of and (b) access to specialist treatments for rare diseases. (18614)
- 173 **Dame Caroline Dinenage** (Gosport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether automated external defibrillators that are installed on Government buildings are registered with the national defibrillator network. (18521)
- 174 **Dame Caroline Dinenage** (Gosport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department is taking steps to encourage community organisations to register defibrillators onto the national defibrillator network. (18522)

- Dame Caroline Dinenage (Gosport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether recipients of the community automated external defibrillator (AED) fund are required to register their AEDs onto the national defibrillator network. (18523)
- Dame Caroline Dinenage (Gosport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department plans to take to help increase (a) survival rates from out-of-hospital cardiac arrests and (b) the availability of defibrillators in Gosport. (18524)
- 177 **Amanda Hack** (North West Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help reduce waiting times for ambulances in the East Midlands. (18741)
- Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the availability of early pregnancy services in A&E departments (a) at weekends and (b) overnight. (18572)
- 179 **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 improve dementia care and support for families post-diagnosis in (a) Lincolnshire and (b) other rural areas. (18483)
- 180 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will increase the staffing budget for the East Midlands
  Ambulance Service. (18492)
- Damian Hinds (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many mental health professionals the previous Government planned to be place in schools in each of the next three academic years; and how many he plans to place in schools in the same period. (18868)
- 182 **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Gateshead South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to ensure that Start for Life services in Sunderland are funded beyond 1 April 2025. (18512)
- 183 **Jayne Kirkham** (Truro and Falmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to reduce the hours lost to handover delays by South Western Ambulance Service Foundation Trust. (18818)
- 184 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what guidance his Department issues to hospitals on visiting times for friends and family. (18536)
- 185 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 21 November 2024 to Question 13772 on Cardiovascular Diseases:

  Emergency Calls, if he will provide this data for the period between March 2015 and March 2021; and what assessment he has made of potential impact of the (a) ageing population and (b) number of patients with multiple comorbidities on trends in the number of category one incidents.

  (18537)

- **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help encourage more people to become blood donors in (a) Stockport constituency and b) the North West. (1868)
- **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the number of patients unable to secure appointments with their GP due to (a) digital exclusion and (b) lack of telephone access.

  (18640)
- **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the impact of blood donation rules on iron levels on the number of Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic women unable to donate blood.

  (18641)
- **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of blood donation rules on (a) iron levels in and (b) the adequacy of the supply of rare blood types commonly found in Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic women. (18642)
- **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of reviewing the minimum iron level required to donate blood. (18643)
- Joe Robertson (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the Autumn Budget 2024 on community pharmacies. (18799)
- Joe Robertson (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to support community pharmacies to ensure (a) financial sustainability, (b) consistency in the provision of services, and (c) dispensing of prescriptions. (18800)
- **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of (a) historical reports and (b) recent reports of increased violence and persecution against Indian Hindus in Bangladesh. (18519)
- **Colum Eastwood** (Foyle): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of the UN Secretary General's response to the Colombian government's rapid response plan aimed at overcoming delays in implementing the 2016 Peace Agreement.

  (18675)
- **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential
  merits of placing Russia on a domestic money laundering watchlist. (18561)

- **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has made an estimate of the amount of overseas development assistance funds that have been spent on providing abortion services in the last five years. (18490)
- **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with Councillor
  Abdal Ullah of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets on the call-in of the planning
  application of the proposed Chinese Embassy in London. (18567)
- **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make it his policy that (a) internships and (b) jobs in (i) his Department and (ii) all non-ministerial bodies are open to applicants of all ethnic backgrounds.
- **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an estimate of the number of UK citizens that are imprisoned abroad. (18748)
- **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will provide a breakdown of planned spending for the additional £11 million in humanitarian aid for Syria. (18755)
- **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he plans to take to ensure that the £11 million in aid for Syria reaches its intended recipients. (18756)
- 202 James McMurdock (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to (a) support the family of Tyler Kerry following his death in Turkey and (b) help ensure that their concerns about the investigation are addressed. (18852)
- James McMurdock (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department has had recent discussions with the Turkish authorities on (a) access to evidence and (b) transparency in the investigation of Tyler Kerry's death. (18853)
- **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what support his Department provides to British citizens and their families in cases where (a) suspicious deaths occur abroad and (b) local investigations are perceived to be inadequate. (18854)
- 205 James McMurdock (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent steps his Department has taken to improve collaboration with foreign authorities in investigating deaths of British nationals overseas.
  (18855)

- **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department plans to review the consular support available to families of British citizens who die abroad under suspicious circumstances. (18856)
- **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the oral contribution of the Minister for Development in response to the Rt hon. Member for Aldridge-Brownhills during the Oral Statement of 28 November 2024 on UK Leadership on Sudan, Official Report, column 945, with which countries in the African Union he has had bilateral engagements on the situation in Sudan; and what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of those engagements in securing access to humanitarian aid within Sudan.

(18873)

- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton and Winchmore Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to help tackle

  malnutrition in northern Nigeria. (18581)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton and Winchmore Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he is taking steps to expand (a)
  inpatient, (b) community-based, (c) outpatient and (d) other nutritional treatment
  services across northern Nigeria. (18582)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton and Winchmore Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to ensure that
  humanitarian funding is allocated based on assessed needs. (18583)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton and Winchmore Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he is taking steps to expand routine
  immunisation programs across northern Nigeria. (18584)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton and Winchmore Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what bilateral funding to tackle malnutrition
  levels across northern Nigeria will be in 2025/26. (18585)
- **Kate Osborne** (Jarrow and Gateshead East): 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 reports that the CUT trade union federation's (a) regional secretary and (b) treasurer in Valle del Cauca, Colombia have received death threats. (18647)
- **Mr Joshua Reynolds** (Maidenhead): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what his definition is of progressive realism;

  and what steps he is taking to implement a progressive realist foreign policy. (18839)
- **Tim Roca** (Macclesfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to meet sustainable development goal six.

(18821)

- 216 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had discussions with the Holy See on the future of the Tridentine Mass at the Chartres pilgrimage in France. (18544)
- 217 Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an estimate of the cost to the public purse of aid provided by his Department's Freedom of Religion or Belief programme in financial year 2024-25.
  (18545)
- 218 **Dr Neil Shastri-Hurst** (Solihull West and Shirley): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he plans to authorise the use of frozen Russian state assets to finance the reconstruction of Ukraine. (18765)
- 219 **Sammy Wilson** (East Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to respond to (a) attacks on (i) Christian communities, (ii) humanitarian access and (iii) religious freedom and (b) violence in Aleppo. (18516)
- 220 **Paul Davies** (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department has made of trends in the levels of wholesale crime. (18829)
- Paul Davies (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she plans to introduce specific protections for wholesale workers. (18830)
- 222 **Paul Davies** (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to help protect wholesale workers from crime. (18831)
- 223 Tim Farron (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what tailored support she plans to provide to refugees to access (a) training and (b) employment after the closure of the Refugee Employment Programme in June 2025.
  (18515)
- 224 **Marie Goldman** (Chelmsford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she plans to extend the flexible fund beyond February 2025. (18717)
- 225 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent assessment she has made of the adequacy of funding for Lincolnshire police force. (18493)
- 226 Mrs Sharon Hodgson (Washington and Gateshead South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she plans to include provisions on the protection of wholesale workers in the Crime and Policing Bill. (18513)
- 227 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make it her policy that (a) internships and (b) jobs in (i) her Department and (ii) all non-ministerial bodies are open to applicants of all ethnic backgrounds. (18742)

- 228 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of an independent review into the impact of crimes committed by illegal migrants on women and girls. (18744)
- 229 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make it her policy to pause asylum applications made by people from Syria, in the context of the fall of the Assad regime. (18745)
- 230 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many (a) foreign national offenders were deported and (b) UK citizens were returned following imprisonment abroad for each country with which the UK has prisoner transfer agreements in each of the last ten years. (18747)
- 231 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of undertaking a review of the employment of illegal immigrants in the food delivery industry. (18754)
- 232 James McMurdock (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department has made of the adequacy of the proposed 2025/26 funding settlement for Essex Police in the context of (a) the full-year cost of the 2023/24 pay award and (b) pay increments associated with the Police Uplift Programme. (18859)
- 233 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if her Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of removing the Police Uplift Programme ringfence clawback arrangement to prevent reduction of officer numbers in police forces (a) in Essex and (b) nationally. (18860)
- 234 James McMurdock (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of funding to mitigate the impact of unfunded pay increments for officers hired under the Police Uplift Programme in Essex. (18861)
- 235 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department is taking steps to address funding shortfalls faced by Essex County Fire and Rescue Service in the context of the redistribution of the (a) Funding Guarantee Scheme and (b) Services Grant. (18863)
- 236 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of a South East allowance for firefighters to support retention in (a) Essex and (b) other areas. (18864)
- 237 James McMurdock (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of granting Police, Fire, and Crime Commissioners the authority to independently determine the level of council tax precept increases for police and fire services in their areas. (18865)

- 238 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many asylum hotels had been closed as of 4 July 2024. (18553)
- Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
   Department, how many asylum hotels were opened in (a) July, (b) August, (c) September,
   (d) October and (e) November 2024.
- 240 Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many asylum seekers were housed in hotels as of 30 November 2024.
  (18555)
- 241 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton and Winchmore Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent estimate her Department has made of the number of families that have no recourse to public funds. (18586)
- 242 **Rebecca Paul** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether Border Force plans to continue using its seasonal workforce beyond 31 January 2025. (18824)
- 243 Joani Reid (East Kilbride and Strathaven): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many residents are accommodated at the Bruce Hotel in East Kilbride. (18719)
- Joani Reid (East Kilbride and Strathaven): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
   Department, what the average length of time is for asylum seekers to spend in the Bruce
   Hotel in East Kilbride. (18720)
- Joani Reid (East Kilbride and Strathaven): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the (a) age, (b) gender and (c) country of origin is of asylum seekers living at the Bruce Hotel in East Kilbride. (18721)
- Joani Reid (East Kilbride and Strathaven): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
   Department, how many people living at the Bruce Hotel in East Kilbride have been
   granted asylum in the past 12 months.
- 247 Bell Ribeiro-Addy (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate she has made of the proportion of cases in which items of property confiscated by the police after an arrest are not returned to the owner after an investigation is closed. (18639)
- Nick Timothy (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 18 October 2024 to Question 8515 on Home Office: Art Works and Cultural Heritage, which (a) portraits and (b) other works of art from the (i) Government Art Collection and (ii) her Department's collection are on display in her Department; what the reference numbers are of each; and which works have been (A) added and (B) removed since the general election.

- 249 Nick Timothy (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she plans to commence the Foreign Influence Registration Scheme, and whether she plans to include China in the enhanced tier of that scheme. (18703)
- 250 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many non-professional diversity and inclusion (a) advocates, (b) champions and (c) advisers work in each business area within her Department. (18704)
- 251 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will publish her Department's equality training documentation on Windrush. (18705)
- 252 Nick Timothy (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many full-time equivalent staff support central staff diversity networks in her Department. (18706)
- Mr Mark Francois (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 5 December 2024 to Question 16457 on Puma Helicopters, what estimate his Department has made of the cost of fulfilling the short-term capability gaps in (a) Cyprus and (b) Brunei prior to the entry of the H-145 platform into service in 2026; and how he plans to manage these costs within his Department's existing budget. (18504)
- 254 **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department has agreed a provisional timeline with Qatar for the (a) signing and (b) delivery of the 12 additional Typhoon jets. (18506)
- Mr Mark Francois (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence,
   what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the production of 12 additional
   Typhoon jets for Qatar on the defence supply chain. (18507)
- 256 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the planned 10% cut to his Department's headcount on military capability. (18836)
- 257 **Mr Connor Rand** (Altrincham and Sale West): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment his Department has made of the potential implications for his policies of the national security risks of (a) electric vehicles and (b) connected cars using (i) Chinese and (ii) Russian software. (18759)
- Bell Ribeiro-Addy (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence,
   whether a Minister will attend the Third Meeting of States Parties to the Treaty on the
   Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in March 2025. (18645)
- 259 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, how many families living in temporary
  accommodation include children aged under two. (18604)

- 260 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to help ensure temporary
  accommodation is suitable for children. (18605)
- 261 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, how many families with children under the age of
  two live in temporary accommodation that does not include a cot. (18606)
- 262 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, if she will take steps to ensure that (a) a cot
  and (b) relevant safer sleep advice is provided for children under two in temporary
  accommodation. (18607)
- 263 Stuart Anderson (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to maximise the use of developer's contributions to improve community infrastructure in rural areas.
  (18632)
- 264 **Josh Babarinde** (Eastbourne): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to prevent large vacant (a) retail and (b) leisure units in town centres from remaining empty. (18727)
- 265 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the effectiveness of Housing First pilot schemes; and whether she plans to expand those schemes. (18847)
- 266 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many full-time equivalent diversity, equality and inclusion staff are employed by HM Land Registry. (18488)
- 267 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): [SUGGESTED RE-DRAFT] To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many away days her Department has held for senior officials since the 30 May 2024. (18872)
- Kevin Hollinrake (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 8 November 2024 to Question 11925 on Council Tax: Greater London, and with reference to the Urgent Question on Council Tax on 14 November 2024, Official Report, columns 907-914, what estimate her Department has made of the average Birmingham City Council Council Tax rate in 2025-26, expressed as (a) a Band D amount in pounds and (b) the percentage difference from 2024-25, in the context of her Department's local government core spending power estimate of £68,459m for that year and the consequential assumptions on council tax referendum principles for 2025-26.
- 269 Kevin Hollinrake (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, whether her Department has a policy on location-neutral recruitment.
  (18565)

- **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 6111 and 6401 on Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government: Civil
  Servants, how many people appointed under exception one worked in their previous role
  for (a) the Labour Party, (b) Labour Together and (c) a Labour Parliamentarian. (18566)
- **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,

  Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the potential

  merits of a formal consultation on reductions to Right to Buy discounts. (18870)
- 272 Kevin Hollinrake (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to extend the statutory overridefor the Dedicated Schools Grant. (18568)
- **Natasha Irons** (Croydon East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, What proportion of the (a) Children's Social Care Prevention Grant and (b) Children and Families Grant will be allocated to Croydon East constituency. (18734)
- **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to help tackle rogue builders.

  (18841)
- Andy McDonald (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the adequacy of local government (a) processes and (b) resources for identifying suitable accommodation for homeless people in the context of the (i) interim duty to accommodate and (ii) main housing duty in each year since 2010. (18548)
- **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the adequacy of local government capacity to provide suitable accommodation for homeless people within the same local authority boundaries. (18549)
- **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many (a) in-area and (b) out-of-area awards for housing accommodation for homeless people were made under local authorities' (i) interim duty to accommodate and (ii) main housing duty by each local authority in the North East in each year since 2010. (18550)
- **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many children were housed in unsuitable temporary accommodation in each local authority in the North East in each year since 2010. (18551)

- **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking help support local authorities to access suitable accommodation for homeless people to meet their (a) interim duty to accommodate and (b) main housing duty. (18552)
- **Kevin McKenna** (Sittingbourne and Sheppey): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to improve fire safety in residential buildings; and what support she has made available for (a) leaseholders and (b) building owners that do not qualify for the Cladding Safety Scheme.

  (18825)
- James McMurdock (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will review the distribution criteria for the Recovery Grant to ensure access to that funding for (a) Essex and (b) other areas with pockets of severe deprivation. (18862)
- **Shivani Raja** (Leicester East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that planning reforms balance new housing development with the protection of (a) green spaces and (b) local heritage in (i) Leicester and (ii) England. (18714)
- **Mike Reader** (Northampton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, whether she has had made an assessment of the
  potential role of universities (a) within and (b) outside mayoral combined authorities in
  local growth programmes. (18827)
- **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 4 December to Question 16095 on Reoffenders: Foreign Nations, what was the (a) total number of reoffences and (b) nationality of the five reoffenders with the highest number of reoffences. (18746)
- **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many assaults on staff there were by prisoners in HMP (a) Maidstone, (b) Huntercombe and (c) Morton Hall in each of the last five years; and what the national average was for those assaults.

  (18749)
- **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many prisoners remained in prison beyond the end of their sentence in HMP (a) Maidstone, (b)

  Huntercombe and(c) Morton Hall in each of the last ten years. (18750)
- **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how much was spent on (a) translation and (b) interpretation in HMP (i) Maidstone, (ii) Huntercombe and (iii) Morton Hall in each of the last ten years. (18751)
- **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will make an estimate of the total number of drug related incidents in (a) HMP Maidstone, (b) HMP Huntercombe and (c) HMP Morton Hall in each of the last five years. (18752)

- **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will provide a breakdown of the offences inmates are serving time for in (a) HMP Maidstone, (b) HMP Huntercombe and (c) HMP Morton Hall. (18753)
- **Patrick Spencer** (Central Suffolk and North Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether her Department plans to review the education provided to children in young offender institutions. (18826)
- **Alex Easton** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, if he will published the legal advice he received on the European Union (Withdrawal Arrangements)

  Bill. (18801)
- **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of reforming the process for appointing the (a) First Minister and (b) Deputy First Minister. (18735)
- Sorcha Eastwood (Lagan Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, whether he plans to have discussions with political parties on the future of Northern Ireland's political institutions. (18736)
- **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham Hodge Hill and Solihull North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate she has made of the amount of additional business investment due to the capital allowances measures in the corporate tax roadmap. (18499)
- **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what income HMRC has derived from (a) class two and (b) class four National Insurance contributions in each of the past five years. (18805)
- **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many (a) class two and (b)) class four National Insurance payees there were in (i) 2019-20, (ii) 2020-21, (iii) 2021-22, (iv) 2022-23 and (v) 2023-24. (18806)
- **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate she has made of the number of (a) class two and (b) class four National Insurance payees in the 2024-25 financial year. (18807)
- **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many (a) men and (b) women paid class two National Insurance contributions in each of the past five years. (18808)
- **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many (a) men and (b) women paid Class Four National Insurance contributions in each of the last five years. (18809)
- **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many (a) men and (b) women paid Class Two National Insurance contributions in each of the last five years in each (i) nation and (ii) region. (18810)

- 301 **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many (a) men and (b) women paid Class Four National Insurance contributions in each of the last five years in each (i) nation and (ii) region. (18811)
- 302 **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many (a) men and (b) women paid Class Two National Insurance contributions in each of the last five years by income decile. (18812)
- 303 **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many (a) men and (b) women paid Class Four National Insurance contributions in each of the last five years by income decile.

  (18813)
- 304 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will extend the Employment Allowance to (a) GPs and (b) other people providing public services. (18846)
- 305 **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether her Department is taking steps to strengthen anti-money laundering regulations.

  (18562)
- 306 **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if her Department will provide guidance for businesses on the money laundering risks of transactions (a) directly and (b) indirectly linked to Russia. (18563)
- 307 **Marie Goldman** (Chelmsford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a hardship fund for parents of children who have been diagnosed with chronic illnesses and have been hospitalised for more than 2 months.

  (18718)
- 308 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton and Winchmore Hill): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she has had recent discussions with her G20 counterparts on a global agreement to tax the world's richest individuals. (18580)
- 309 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the regulation of mortgage brokers. (18707)

## Questions for Answer on Thursday 12 December

## **Questions for Written Answer**

1N Alex Burghart (Brentwood and Ongar): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether (a) he and (b) the Paymaster General has met the Ulster Farmers Union since the general election. (18597)

- 2N Dr Rosena Allin-Khan (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of levels of consumer protection provided by (a) package travel and (b) ATOL regulations. (18588)
- 3N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of levels of consumer protection provided by the Package Travel and Linked Travel Arrangements Regulations 2018. (18589)
- 4N **Dame Harriett Baldwin** (West Worcestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what his policy is on renationalisation of British Steel Ltd. (18538)
- 5N **Dame Harriett Baldwin** (West Worcestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to support the steel industry. (18539)
- 6N **Dame Harriett Baldwin** (West Worcestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what meetings the Minister for Industry has had with representatives of British Steel Ltd in the last 30 days. (18540)
- 7N **Dame Harriett Baldwin** (West Worcestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what meetings (a) he and (b) Ministers in his Department have had with the Secretary General of Unite the Union in the last 30 days. (18541)
- 8N **Dame Harriett Baldwin** (West Worcestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many officials from his Department have visited (a) offices of and (b) facilities operated by British Steel Ltd in the last 30 days. (18542)
- 9N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 6 December 2024 to Question 17511 on Living Wage: Part-time Employment, when he plans to publish that Impact Assessment. (18500)
- 10N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the impact of Innovate UK's Small Business Research Initiative on Northern Ireland in the last two years. (18501)
- 11N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he plans to publish guidance on the introduction of the EU General Product Safety Regulations. (18502)
- 12N **Laurence Turner** (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make an estimate of the cost to the public purse of producing impact assessments for the Employment Rights Bill. (18794)
- 13N **Laura Trott** (Sevenoaks): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of BBFC age ratings as best practice for age labelling on streaming services. (18646)

- 14N **Dr Simon Opher** (Stroud): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of reforming the student loan finance repayment system to reduce monthly repayments for students in England. (18684)
- 15N Laurence Turner (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the Answer of 10 December 2020 to Question 126005, on Classroom Assistants: Pay, if she will provide the same salary data for (a) 2020, (b) 2021, (c) 2022, and (d) 2023.
- 16N **Dave Doogan** (Angus and Perthshire Glens): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent discussions he has had with Ofgem on steps it is taking to help consumers secure competitive tariffs when Radio Teleswitch Service meters are replaced. (18615)
- 17N **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make it his policy to conduct an audit of the effectiveness of carbon sequestration by all land use categories. (18724)
- 18N **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of restrictions on the use of single-use plastic. (18725)
- 19N **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on preventing large organisations from offshoring emissions. (18726)
- 20N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of existing environmental adaptation measures in helping businesses build resilience to climate-related disasters. (18559)
- 21N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions he has had with his international counterparts on the future of EU fishing rights in the UK's exclusive economic zone. (18560)
- 22N **Robbie Moore** (Keighley and Ilkley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the oral contribution of the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs during the oral question on Flood Resilience of 14 November 2024, Official Report, column 889, and pursuant to the Answer of 4 December 2024 to Question 16251 on Internal Drainage Boards: Finance, whether the (a) allocation of a further £50 million to internal drainage boards and (b) provision of a one-off £75 million IDB Fund constitute separate funding streams; and how much his Department has (i) allocated and (ii) disbursed to internal drainage boards in financial year 2024-25.

- 23N **Robin Swann** (South Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of the trade agreement between the EU and Mercusor on (a) food producers and (b) farmers in Northern Ireland. (18833)
- 24N **Sarah Dyke** (Glastonbury and Somerton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to improve access to electric vehicle charging for disabled people. (18682)
- 25N Laurence Turner (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to page 120 of Network Rail North West and Central's publication entitled West Midlands Strategic Advice, published in October 2022, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of the proposed (a) Longbridge Interchange project and (b) extension of Camp Hill services to Longbridge railway station. (18791)
- 26N Laurence Turner (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to Q44 of the oral evidence given by the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State to the Transport Select Committee on 4 December 2024, HC 437, what the average waiting time for driving tests is in Birmingham Northfield constituency. (18792)
- 27N Laurence Turner (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 02 December to Question 15995, on Kings Norton Station, whether that £123m to design the first phase of the Midlands Rail Hub programme included any capital funding for (a) the reinstatement of the island platforms at Kings Norton Station and (b) track works for the purpose of extending Camp Hill services to Kings Norton station.
- 28N **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of introducing national restrictions on pavement parking on pedestrians with a visual impairment. (18678)
- 29N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what her planned timetable is for responding to the recommendations of the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman report into changes to women's State Pension age, published on 21 March 2024. (18556)
- 30N **Rachel Hopkins** (Luton South and South Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of paying benefits on 24 December 2024 on (a) access to banking and (b) time available for Christmas shopping for (i) pensioners and (ii) other claimants of benefits. (18679)
- 31N **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion Preseli): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of bringing forward legislative proposals to enable unearned (a) income and (b) assets be considered in initial Child Maintenance Service calculations. (18598)

- 32N **Alex Brewer** (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what account his review of the frequency of infant head measurements will take of (a) research by Harry's Hydrocephalus Awareness Trust and (b) the experience of other developed countries. (18802)
- 33N Alex Brewer (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has taken steps to introduce the measurement of infant head circumference to existing health visits since his meeting with Harry's Hydrocephalus Awareness Trust on 6 November 2024; and whether he has set a deadline for commissioning a clinical review into infant head circumference measurement. (18803)
- 34N **Dame Caroline Dinenage** (Gosport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to respond to the open letter by Clinically Vulnerable Families entitled Maintain Covid-19 Vaccine Access for All Clinically Vulnerable People, published on 19 November 2024. (18520)
- 35N **Mr Will Forster** (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to tackle shortages of ADHD medication in Woking. [R] (18834)
- 36N Mary Kelly Foy (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to tackle shortages of ADHD medication in the North East. (18633)
- 37N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent guidance his Department has issued to NHS Foundation Trusts on the provision of early pregnancy services (a) at weekends and (b) overnight. (18571)
- 38N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will meet with Group B Strep Support to discuss the importance of (a) early and (b)consistent diagnosis of Group B Streptococcus. (18573)
- 39N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that the results of the GBS3 trial can be acted upon (a) quickly and (b) effectively. (18574)
- 40N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to support the development of a (a) safe and (b) effective Group B Streptococcus vaccine. (18575)
- 41N **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 15 November 2024 to Question 13928 on Cancer: Health Services and with reference to the Plan for Change: Milestones for mission-led government, CP 1210, published on 5 December 2024, whether it remains his policy to meet all NHS cancer waiting time targets within five years.

- 42N **Sojan Joseph** (Ashford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much his Department has spent defending Vaccine Damage Payment Scheme appeals linked to Covid-19 vaccinations since 2021; and how many Vaccine Damage Payment Schemes appeals linked to Covid-19 vaccinations have been escalated to tribunal since 2021.
- 43N **Jayne Kirkham** (Truro and Falmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve ambulance response times in Cornwall. (18814)
- 44N **Jayne Kirkham** (Truro and Falmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to reduce ambulance hand over times at the Royal Cornwall Hospital. (18815)
- 45N **Jayne Kirkham** (Truro and Falmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to increase the proportion of patients (a) transferred, (b) admitted and (c) discharged within four hours at the Emergency Department in Royal Cornwall Hospitals NHS Trust. (18816)
- 46N **Jayne Kirkham** (Truro and Falmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to reduce the proportion of attendees who waited 12 hours or more from their time of arrival to be (a) transferred, (b) admitted and (c) discharged from Royal Cornwall Hospitals NHS Trust Emergency Department. (18817)
- 47N Helen Morgan (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 14 October 2024 to Question Question 8906 on cancer and with reference to the Plan for Change: Milestones for mission-led government, CP 1210, published on 5 December 2024, whether it remains his policy to meet all NHS cancer waiting time targets within five years.
- 48N **Vikki Slade** (Mid Dorset and North Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to respond to the consultation entitled Pharmacy supervision which closed on 29 February 2024. (18835)
- 49N **Richard Burgon** (Leeds East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, when his Department next plans to publish an assessment of Israel's compliance with international humanitarian law. (18569)
- 50N **Richard Burgon** (Leeds East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what the average time period in weeks is for his Department to undertake an assessment of Israel's compliance with international humanitarian law. (18570)
- 51N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 9 September to Question 3985 on Palestinians: Fire and Rescue Services, if he will take steps to help ensure the delivery of that donation. (18869)

- 52N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his department is taking to help countries disproportionately impacted by climate change implement (a) social and (b) economic adaptation measures. (18557)
- 53N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help to
  low-income countries pursue green industrialisation pathways. (18558)
- 54N **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion Preseli): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps is he taking to tackle (a) detention and (b) mistreatment of healthcare workers in Gaza. (18599)
- 55N **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion Preseli): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps is he taking to help ensure that (a) protections under international humanitarian law for medical professionals in Gaza are upheld and (b) people who violate such protections are held to account. (18600)
- 56N **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion Preseli): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 4 December 2024 to Question 15678 on Mohammed Hamouda, what information he has received on Dr Hamouda's (a) status and (b) well-being. (18601)
- 57N **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to support the family of Tyler Kerry following his death in Turkey. (18857)
- 58N **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to help ensure a thorough investigation into the death in Turkey of Tyler Kerry. (18858)
- 59N **Dr Simon Opher** (Stroud): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much funding his Department has allocated to organisations supporting the delivery of aid in Gaza since 5 July 2024. (18683)
- 60N **Jim Dickson** (Dartford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the Office for National Statistics web page entitled How the population changed in Dartford: Census 2021, published on 28 June 2022, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for police funding of the recent growth in the population of Dartford constituency; and if she will take steps to reflect the growth in Dartford's population in future police funding allocations. (18790)
- 61N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many items of property confiscated after an arrest have been (a) returned, (b) returned after six months, (c) returned after 12 months and (d) not returned by the Metropolitan Police Force once the investigation was completed in the last 12 months.

- 62N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many items of property which were confiscated after an arrest were recorded as lost by the Metropolitan Police in the last year. (18635)
- 63N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many items of unclaimed lost property were sold at auction by the Metropolitan Police Force in the last five years. (18636)
- 64N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, who is responsible for ensuring items of property confiscated after an arrest are returned to the original owner once an investigation is complete. (18637)
- 65N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how much was raised through the auction of unclaimed lost property by the Metropolitan Police in the last five years. (18638)
- 66N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what his planned the timeline is for delivering 12 additional Typhoon jets to Qatar; and if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of this timeline on ongoing production commitments for other customers. (18505)
- 67N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will review the pay structures and conditions of employment for Royal Fleet Auxiliary personnel to ensure alignment with inflation and comparable roles within the armed forces. (18508)
- 68N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what discussions his Department has had with representatives of Royal Fleet Auxiliary personnel on their concerns over pay and working conditions; and what his planned timeline is for resolving these issues. (18509)
- 69N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many operational missions involving the Royal Fleet Auxiliary have been affected by the current pay dispute; and what contingency plans are in place to mitigate disruptions. (18510)
- 70N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what his long-term strategy is to help tackle (a) recruitment and (b) retention challenges within the Royal Fleet Auxiliary, in the context of the ongoing pay dispute. (18511)
- 71N **David Reed** (Exmouth and Exeter East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much and what proportion of the £2.9 billion of additional total funding announced in Autumn Budget 2024 will be allocated towards covering (a) the recent 6 per cent pay rise for armed forces personnel and (b) proposed increases in employers National Insurance contributions.

- 72N **Kirith Entwistle** (Bolton North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to support
  holiday home facilities for disabled people in (a) Bolton North East constituency and (b)
  the rest of the UK. (18728)
- 73N **Chris Hinchliff** (North East Hertfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 8 November 2024 to
  Question 11941 on Community Ownership Fund, if she will publish details of options her
  Department is considering. (18796)
- 74N Margaret Mullane (Dagenham and Rainham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, what assessment her Department has made of the
  quality of new residential units that were converted from commercial buildings through
  permitted development rights. (18804)
- 75N **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of reforming child arrangement orders to help accommodate parents that are Armed Forces personnel on mandatory overseas deployment. (18685)
- 76N **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham Hodge Hill and Solihull North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the (a) economic impact and (b) fiscal multipliers of the corporate tax reliefs implemented by her Department; and what steps she is taking to monitor that impact. (18495)
- 77N **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham Hodge Hill and Solihull North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the fiscal multipliers for (a) corporate tax reliefs and (b) capital spending authorised by her Department. (18496)
- 78N **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham Hodge Hill and Solihull North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of which corporate tax reliefs have the largest positive impact on economic growth, ranked by scale of impact. (18497)
- 79N **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham Hodge Hill and Solihull North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will publish economic impact assessments for all corporate tax policies.

  (18498)
- 80N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what plans she has to help increase investment in the UK by UK-based pension funds. (18503)
- 81N **Mike Martin** (Tunbridge Wells): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of proposed reforms to agricultural property relief on farmers whose (a) spouse and (b) civil partner has died. (18789)

## Questions for Answer on Monday 16 December

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

- 1N **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what estimate his Department has made of the requirement for imported Liquified Natural Gas in each year between 2025 and 2030. (18590)
- 2N **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department is taking to support Armed Forces personnel with children when there is a breakdown in family arrangements. (18686)
- 3N **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of working conditions in the Armed Forces on the (a) mental health and (b) familial relations of Armed Forces personnel. (18687)
- 4N **Vikki Slade** (Mid Dorset and North Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of the monthly payment of war pensions.

[Transferred] (18309)

## Questions for Answer on Tuesday 17 December

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

1N **Dan Tomlinson** (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to promote the inclusion of disabled students in schools; and if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of including in the national curriculum teaching about the life experiences of disabled people. (18819)