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Questions tabled on Monday 6 January 2025

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Questions for Answer on Tuesday 7 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what estimate he has made of the number of public sector workers of working age who have become economically inactive in each of the last 10 years. [Transferred] (21661)
- 2 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 28 November 2024 to Question HL1343 on Prime Minister's Chief of Staff: Pay, what the annual salary amount that the Chief Secretary to the Treasury approved in the senior approvals pay process was. [Transferred] (21296)
- 3 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what the funding level of the Integrated Security Fund will be in (a) 2025/26 and (b) each of the following five years. [Transferred] (21591)
- 4 **Paul Davies** (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department is taking steps to integrate loneliness prevention programmes into the healthcare system. [Transferred] (21900)
- 5 **Paul Davies** (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will take steps to encourage employers to create workplace environments that reduce employee loneliness. [Transferred] (21901)
- 6 **Paul Davies** (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department plans to provide funding for research on effective interventions to tackle loneliness across different demographics. [Transferred] (21904)

- 7 **Paul Davies** (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking assess the effectiveness of loneliness reduction initiatives; and whether she plans to take steps to amend her policies in the context of the findings of these assessments. [Transferred] (21905)
- 8 **Mims Davies** (East Grinstead and Uckfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking with Cabinet colleagues to increase the number of white working-class boys attending university. [R] [Transferred] (21651)
- 9 **Mims Davies** (East Grinstead and Uckfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking with Cabinet colleagues to increase the number of white working-class boys taking up apprenticeships. [R] [Transferred] (21652)
- 10 **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for his policies of the recommendations of the Independent Review of Children's social care final report (MacAlister,2022), published on the 23rd of May 2022. [Transferred] (21892)
- 11 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many prosecutions there have been for slaughterhouses in England not having CCTV in the last five years. [Transferred] (21557)
- 12 **Mims Davies** (East Grinstead and Uckfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for her policies of the 40 safety measures that Ofcom has set out for social media platforms to tackle misogyny. [Transferred] (21653)
- 13 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will take steps to ensure that Local Housing Allowance rates reflect rents in (a) rural and (b) urban areas. [Transferred] (21947)
- 14 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many (a) official veterinarians and (b) meat hygiene inspectors there were as of 1 December 2024. [Transferred] (21553)
- 15 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to change meat inspection charges from April 2026. [Transferred] (21554)
- 16 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many Food Standards Agency welfare checks carried out by official veterinarians took place (a) on the farm, (b) during transport to the slaughterhouse, (c) upon arrival at the slaughterhouse and (d) whilst on site up to the point of slaughter in 2024. [Transferred] (21555)

- 17 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of animal welfare at abattoirs. [Transferred] (21559)
- 18 **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to help tackle the threat from the Russian shadow fleet. [Transferred] (21876)
- 19N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department has taken to review the adequacy of revenue raising mechanisms for climate reparations ahead of COP30 in Belem. [Transferred] (21020)
- 20 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will commission a national inquiry into rape gangs. [Transferred] (21754)
- 21 **James MacCleary** (Lewes): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of airside transit electronic travel authorisation on the UK's international competitiveness. [Transferred] (21872)
- 22 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many people with citizenship of other countries can vote in UK elections; of which countries such people hold citizenship; which elections they are eligible to vote in; and whether these arrangements are reciprocal. [Transferred] (21697)
- 23 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many people have received funding from the Disabled Facilities Grant in (a) Newcastle-under-Lyme constituency and (b) Staffordshire in each of the last 14 years. [Transferred] (21776)
- 24 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department plans to take to tackle private parking companies issuing penalties to customers for taking too long to purchase a ticket due to (a) queues at the parking payment machine and (b) limited mobile phone/internet signal. [Transferred] (21933)
- 25 **Dr Simon Opher** (Stroud): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will bring forward legislative proposals to change the voting system to Supplementary Vote for mayoral elections. [Transferred] (21721)
- 26 **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps she plans to take with probate services to find a solution for cases where there is a chain of representation but the name of the applicant will not match that on the Grant of Probate. [Transferred] (21822)

- 27 **David Chadwick** (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will take steps to ensure the accessibility of touch screens for (a) card payment machines and (b) other services for people with visual impairments. [Transferred] (21887)
- 28 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether properties with a rateable value of £15,000 or less will be able to continue to claim Small Business Rate Relief for the 2026-27 year. [Transferred] (21633)
- 29 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment her Department has made of the financial impact of potential changes to Small Business Rate Relief after the introduction of new non-domestic rate multipliers on small businesses; and whether she plans to take steps to mitigate this impact. [Transferred] (21635)
- 30 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, pursuant to the Answer of 3 December 2024 to Question 16341 on Political Parties: Discrimination, if she will issue guidance on the distinction between philosophical and political belief. [Transferred] (21688)
- 31 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, with reference to the Answer of 3 December 2024 to Question HL2771 on Civil Servants: Recruitment and pursuant to the Answer of 20 November 2024 to Question 14502 on Gender: Equality, if she will issue guidance to public bodies to stop the practice of internship programmes which restrict applications on the basis of race or ethnicity. [Transferred] (21693)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 8 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he has issued guidance to Cabinet colleagues on engagement with the 48 Group. (22184)
- 2 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, who provided the lectern used by the Prime Minister for his press conference at Pinewood Studios on 5 December 2024. (22185)
- 3 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to his Department's publication entitled Special adviser data releases: numbers and costs, November 2024, published on 28 November 2024, for what reason

his Department has not published the list of special adviser salaries for the current administration; and if he will publish the current list of special advisers before the end of the calendar year. (22188)

- 4 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many staff work in the mission delivery unit; and what its (a) function and (b) remit is. (22189)
- 5 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he plans to include appointments to the Industrial Strategy Advisory Council in the Public Bodies Order in Council; and whether the chair appointment will be classified as a significant appointment. (22190)
- 6 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many of the reviews by Departments of public bodies in the financial year 2023/24 as part of the Public Bodies Review Programme (a) have been completed, (b) remain outstanding and (c) have been abandoned. (22191)
- 7 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the answer of 20 November 2024 to Question 14502 on Gender: Equality, what guidance the (a) Civil Service People Group and (b) Office for Equality and Opportunities has produced on whether positive discrimination on the basis of race or ethnicity is permitted under the Equality Act 2010. (22192)
- 8 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many special advisers have affiliated to the First Division Association; and whether special advisers are a collective bargaining unit. (22193)
- 9 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many Civil Service fast stream applicants self-declared a disability in each year for which figures are available. (22194)
- 10 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government's web page entitled Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government: spending over £0, published on 10 October 2024, if he will publish a corresponding copy of the spending by his Department on (a) electronic purchasing cards and (b) Government procurement cards over £0 for August 2024 broken down by (i) expense type, (ii) supplier, (iii) item text, (iv) merchant category, (v) amount and (vi) date. (22195)
- 11 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 11 November 2024, to Question 5280, on Senior Civil Servants: Recruitment, if he will list each of the (a) job titles and (b) associated unit of the Senior Civil Service roles that were not open to external candidates. (22196)

- 12 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 22 October 2024 to Question 8637 on Cabinet Office: Vacancies, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of the length of the application window on the effectiveness the recruitment process. (22197)
- 13 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 29 November 2024 to Question 15229 on Senior Civil Servants: Freedom of Information, what best practice guidance does the (a) Cabinet Office FOI Clearing House Internal Review and (b) its successor provide to departments on the level of seniority at which information on civil servants should normally be disclosed in response to FOI requests. (22198)
- 14 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether (a) Downing Street and (b) his Department collates information on each (i) domestic and (ii) overseas flight undertaken by (A) the Prime Minister and (B) other Ministers. (22199)
- 15 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how much his Department has spent on carbon offsetting for Ministerial travel since 5 July 2024. (22200)
- 16 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to his Department's guidance entitled Public Bodies Handbook – Part 2: The Approvals Process for the Creation of New Arm's-Length Bodies, whether his Department's public bodies team assessed Great British Energy against the requirement that the creation of a new ALB should only be considered as a last resort; whether the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero provided evidence that alternative delivery models were considered; and which of the three tests in Chapter 2 of that guidance Great British Energy met. (22201)
- 17 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many transactions have been blocked under the National Security and Investment Act 2021 since 5 July 2024; and which transactions were blocked. (22202)
- 18 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how much was paid in bonuses to staff in his Department in 2024. (21973)
- 19 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what discussions he has had with Nissan on safeguarding jobs in Sunderland, in the context of the potential merger of Nissan, Honda and Mitsubishi. (22138)
- 20N **Dr Simon Opher** (Stroud): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to ensure sufficient recycling facilities are available to process end-of-life electric vehicle batteries. [Transferred] (21715)

- 21 **Jo Platt** (Leigh and Atherton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that the Digital Markets Unit can make effective market interventions. (22068)
- 22 **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to (a) support British companies bidding for electric bus contracts and (b) ensure that (i) BYD, (ii) Yutong and (iii) other foreign companies do not have a disproportionate share of Government electric bus (A) contracts and (B) grants. (22225)
- 23 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, how many youth hubs will be established in rural areas. (22075)
- 24 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, pursuant to the Answer of 4 December 2024 to Question 16604 on 11 Downing Street: Art Works, if she will publish a corresponding list of the reference numbers of Government Art Collection works that have been (a) added and (b) removed from the (i) 10 Downing Street and (ii) the Prime Minister's Ministerial residence since 4 July 2024. (22187)
- 25 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department is taking steps to allow people to retain their mobile numbers when changing mobile contracts while retaining the same network provider. (22059)
- 26 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department has made a recent assessment of the level of contribution of coaches to the tourism industry. (22176)
- 27 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what discussions her Department has had with the BBC on the potential merits of introducing an alternative funding scheme to the licence fee. (22237)
- 28 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she has received representations about the funding of small rugby union clubs. (22105)
- 29 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to help reduce (a) motor neurone disease, b) Alzheimer's and c) chronic traumatic encephalopathy in retired professional rugby union players. (22137)
- 30 **Liam Conlon** (Beckenham and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether the child poverty strategy will include specific measures to help tackle child poverty amongst (a) disabled and (b) other groups that are most affected. (22162)
- 31 **Liam Conlon** (Beckenham and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to help improve support for children with cerebral palsy in education settings. (22163)

- 32 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when her Department plans to publish a decision on which apprenticeships will be impacted by cuts to Level 7 apprenticeship funding. (22081)
- 33 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent steps she has taken to ensure school uniform is affordable. (21969)
- 34 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department holds data on the number of coaches booked by schools for (a) cultural and (b) sports trips in (i) 2024 to date and (ii) the last five years. (22175)
- 35 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment she has made of the adequacy of Vision Impairment education services; and what assessment she has made of the potential implications for her policies of the recommendations proposed by the report entitled A Vision for VI education by the Thomas Pocklington Trust, published in September 2024. (22106)
- 36 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to ensure that all further education colleges comply with (a) accessibility regulations on (i) access to assistive technology and (ii) the use of accessible design in learning resources and (b) other accessibility regulations. (22107)
- 37 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether there will be future intakes for the development programme for CEOs of multi-academy trusts run with the National Institute of Teaching. (22071)
- 38 **Laurence Turner** (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many air cleaning units were provided to education facilities in (a) Birmingham Northfield constituency, (b) Birmingham, (c) the West Midlands and (d) England since 2020. [R] (22210)
- 39 **Jo White** (Bassetlaw): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what progress she has made on introducing tooth brushing lessons in primary schools. (22158)
- 40 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether Young Futures hubs will work with local prevention partnerships; and whether those services will be co-located. (22085)
- 41 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what age ranges Young Futures hubs will work with. (22086)
- 42 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the policy paper entitled Plan for Change, published on 5 December 2024, CP1210, at what grades new teachers will be recruited; and if she will publish recruitment targets by subject area. (22027)

- 43 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of the availability of national grid connections in Runcorn and Helsby constituency. (22065)
- 44 **Suella Braverman** (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he has had recent discussions with the Secretary of State for Defence on the potential national security risks of the AQUIND interconnector project. (22050)
- 45 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether the Government (a) participates in and (b) funds geoengineering activities; what information his Department holds on organisations in the UK which participate in geoengineering; and whether he plans to introduce regulations on geoengineering. (22117)
- 46 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of changing the climate change levy exemption for natural gas combined heat and power. (22118)
- 47 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of community energy projects on local employment. (21983)
- 48 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what discussions he has had with his Northern Irish counterpart on the new solar farm installed at Hydebank Prison. (21984)
- 49 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will publish the latest modelling conducted by his Department or its agencies of (a) energy supply and demand and (b) network capacity constraints. (22121)
- 50 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to page 6 of the publication entitled Plan for Change: Milestones for mission-led government, what metrics his Department will use to track the commitment to generate at least 95% clean power by 2030. (22028)
- 51 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to reform the marine licensing process. (22228)
- 52 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to facilitate the recycling of blister packs. (22223)
- 53 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether farm equipment was included when assessing the number of farms impacted by changes to inheritance tax. (22139)

- 54 **Peter Prinsley** (Bury St Edmunds and Stowmarket): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what progress he has made on the implementation of the Genetic Technologies (Precision Breeding) Act 2023. (22179)
- 55 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of income for farmers in 2024. (21988)
- 56 **Claire Young** (Thornbury and Yate): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many (a) mallard and (b) other gamebird rearing and release facilities have been found to be infected with (i) highly pathogenic avian influenza and (ii) which other notifiable diseases in each of the last five years. (22167)
- 57 **Claire Young** (Thornbury and Yate): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what information his Department holds on how many (a) mallards and (b) other gamebirds of which species have been destroyed at rearing and release facilities due to (i) highly pathogenic avian influenza and (ii) which other notifiable diseases in each of the last five years. (22168)
- 58 **Claire Young** (Thornbury and Yate): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what information his Department holds on how many (a) mallard and (b) other gamebird rear and release facilities where cases of (i) highly pathogenic avian influenza and (ii) other notifiable diseases had been detected (A) had already released gamebirds into the natural environment that season and (B) were open to wild birds (1) by being unroofed and (2) through pop holes being open in each of the last five years. (22169)
- 59 **Claire Young** (Thornbury and Yate): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether the current research his Department is conducting on the impacts of gamebird releases includes looking at the impacts of mallard releases. (22170)
- 60 **Claire Young** (Thornbury and Yate): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department has had recent discussions with its international counterparts on (a) coordination and (b) information sharing in the context of the circulation of highly pathogenic avian influenza across international boundaries; and whether his Department plans to develop a platform for stakeholders to (i) share resources and (ii) coordinate efforts to help tackle the disease. (22171)
- 61 **Alex Burghart** (Brentwood and Ongar): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, pursuant to the Answer of 19 December 2024 to Question 20241 on Electronic Government, what his planned timetable is for onboarding HMRC to One Login. (22054)
- 62 **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Stamford): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps he is taking to improve mobile phone and broadband access in South Kesteven. (22095)

- 63 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps the Government is taking to tackle the use of artificial intelligence in the creation of images for online child sexual exploitation. (22133)
- 64 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps the Government is taking to prevent the use of denudifying apps used to create pornographic deepfake images. (22134)
- 65 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps he is taking to prevent the use of denudifying apps by children in the creation of pornographic deepfake images. (22135)
- 66 **Jo Platt** (Leigh and Atherton): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, how the Data (Use and Access) Bill will ensure that publishers can access data effectively when ensuring regulatory compliance. (22066)
- 67 **Jo Platt** (Leigh and Atherton): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that the enforcement practices of the Information Commissioner's Office cohere with the regulatory duties of that Office. (22067)
- 68 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much funding her Department has provided the Mobility Foundation in each of the last five years; and for what purpose. (22057)
- 69 **Pippa Heylings** (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she has had discussions with Whizz Kidz on their report entitled Beyond fare Equality through Concessionary Bus Travel; and if she will mandate free travel for disabled bus pass holders. (22130)
- 70 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many coaches were registered by the Traffic Commissioners for Great Britain in (a) 2024 to date and (b) each of the last five years. (22174)
- 71 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to (a) monitor and (b) regulate delivery drivers working for food delivery companies to ensure they are using roads and pavements safely. (22108)
- 72 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the formal response to the public consultation on options for changing the way pavement parking is managed outside London, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of bringing forward legislative proposals to create a new category for vehicles that park four wheels on pavements. (22112)
- 73 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that parking enforcement debt collection practices are equitable. (22113)

- 74N **Dr Simon Opher** (Stroud): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to speed up the delivery of planned electric vehicle charging stations. [Transferred] (21717)
- 75 **Ian Roome** (North Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department has issued guidance to (a) local authorities and (b) bus companies on the pricing of children's fares. (22165)
- 76 **Anna Sabine** (Frome and East Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to paragraph 4.69 of the Autumn Budget 2024, published on 30 October 2024, HC 295, how she plans to use the additional funding for cycling and walking infrastructure in the 2025-26 financial year. (22220)
- 77 **Luke Taylor** (Sutton and Cheam): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, for what reason late-night services at Worcester Park station are not being reinstated between Thursday and Sunday. (22152)
- 78 **Luke Taylor** (Sutton and Cheam): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will have discussions with Transport for London on mitigation of the potential impact of fare increases on commuters in London in March 2025. (22153)
- 79 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of paying the State Pension in monthly instalments. (22214)
- 80 **Pippa Heylings** (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what guidance her Department issues to Disability Living Allowance claimants during the wait for their claim to be assessed; and what steps she is taking to reduce waiting times. (22128)
- 81 **Pippa Heylings** (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what her planned timetable is for responding to the Gingerbread report entitled Fix the Child Maintenance Service, published on 25 November 2024. (22129)
- 82 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many and what proportion of people claiming out of work benefit for sickness reasons have done so immediately following leaving full-time education. (22132)
- 83 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the potential merits of regular health checks for fire fighters. (22061)
- 84 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of the University of Central Lancashire's report entitled Minimising firefighters' exposure to toxic fire effluents, published in November 2020. (22062)

- 85 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help reduce NHS waiting lists in Runcorn and Helsby constituency. (22064)
- 86 **Liam Conlon** (Beckenham and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve access to healthcare services for children with cerebral palsy. (22164)
- 87 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department's cancer strategy will include (a) a prostate cancer screening programme and (b) alternative measures to improve prostate cancer diagnosis for people at higher risk. (22083)
- 88 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much funding his Department has allocated for the public consultation on a new NHS 10-year-plan. (22084)
- 89 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of the unavailability of (a) digital thermometers and blood pressure monitors and (b) other low cost equipment for clinical staff on NHS (i) staff time usage and (ii) efficiency. (22056)
- 90 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the cost to the public purse was of sending letters on the GP Patient Survey in the last 12 months; how many letters were sent to recipients; and whether any patients were contacted by e-mail. (22060)
- 91 **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of blood cancer data. (22160)
- 92 **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help reduce inequalities of care for blood cancer patients. (22161)
- 93 **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 the availability of GP appointments in South Holland and the Deepings constituency. (21964)
- 94 **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Stamford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the average maximum number of patients registered per GP practice in England is. (22094)
- 95 **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion Preseli): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of the retained margin element of the NHS drug tariff. (22055)

- 96 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many of the planned additional 700,000 urgent dental appointments a year will be in (a) Bedfordshire and (b) the East of England. (22172)
- 97 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what criteria he uses for defining whether an area is a dental desert; and in what areas dentistry graduates will receive golden hellos. (22173)
- 98 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of trends in the level of influenza cases in hospitals in the last 12 months. (22177)
- 99 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions his Department has had with public health officials on adverse side effects to the Covid-19 vaccine. (22238)
- 100 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to increase the number of (a) supervisor and (b) designated prescribing practitioners. (22104)
- 101 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of increasing non-academic routes for people to train as nurses. (22109)
- 102 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will simplify the process for obtaining Maternity Exception Certificates. (22114)
- 103 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people have been fined for accessing prescriptions without a valid Maternity Exception Certificate. (22115)
- 104 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a weekly cap on domiciliary care costs. (22116)
- 105 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to support healthcare providers to ensure (a) uninterrupted access to essential patient care and (b) maintain the stability of primary care services. (22120)
- 106 **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will work with the care sector to establish a (a) National Care Agency to (i) set minimum standards of care and (ii) act as a regulator and (b) Royal College of Careworkers to (A) improve recognition, (B) deliver training and development and (C) ensure the highest professional standards. (22051)

- 107 **Melanie Onn** (Great Grimsby and Cleethorpes): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when it was decided that community interest companies should be ineligible for capital funding provided to NHS mental health trusts in the 2024-25 financial year; and whether he plans to make an assessment of the potential merits of making community interest companies eligible. (22031)
- 108 **Peter Prinsley** (Bury St Edmunds and Stowmarket): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure (a) expertise and (b) public confidence are retained in Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy services available on the NHS. (22180)
- 109 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the cost of electricity on people with health conditions requiring medical devices which use electricity. (21982)
- 110 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people in the UK have been diagnosed with vitiligo. (21987)
- 111 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of trends in the level of people referred for alcohol addiction support. (21989)
- 112 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to (a) encourage NHS trusts in Greater Manchester to participate in the Early Access Programme for Givinostat and (b) to help tackle barriers to participation. (22123)
- 113 **Luke Taylor** (Sutton and Cheam): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve access to mental health services for young people in London. (22154)
- 114 **Luke Taylor** (Sutton and Cheam): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps the NHS is taking to improve training for doctors on (a) understanding and (b) treating chronic urinary tract infections. (22155)
- 115 **Luke Taylor** (Sutton and Cheam): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps the NHS is taking to improve the accuracy of tests used by GPs to diagnose chronic urinary tract infections. (22156)
- 116 **Luke Taylor** (Sutton and Cheam): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps the NHS is taking to provide better pain relief for people suffering from chronic urinary tract infections. (22157)
- 117 **Bradley Thomas** (Bromsgrove): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to publish the terms of reference for the independent commission into adult social care to be led by Baroness Casey; and if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of including in the terms of reference local authority funding for adult social care. (22203)

- 118 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to page 28 of the policy paper entitled Plan for Change: Milestones for mission-led government, published on 5 December 2024, CP1210, whether his Department plans to measure the success of the neighbourhood health service model by (a) patient satisfaction, (b) health outcomes and (c) service delivery times. (22020)
- 119 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to page 28 of the policy paper entitled Plan for Change: Milestones for mission-led government, published on 5 December 2024, CP1210, what key performance indicators he plans to use to track the implementation of the 10 year health plan; and if he will publish definitions of success for each indicator. (22021)
- 120 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the policy paper entitled Plan for Change: Milestones for mission-led government, published on 5 December 2024, CP1210, how he plans to measure the impact of digital transformation in the NHS; and what performance targets he has set for patient access to single health records. (22022)
- 121N **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to help tackle the threat from the Russian shadow fleet in the (a) Baltic and (b) North Sea. [Transferred] (21877)
- 122 **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Stamford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, when he plans to appoint the (a) special envoy for hostage affairs and (b) special envoy for arbitrary detention. (22098)
- 123 **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 of 28 November 2024 on UK Leadership on Sudan, Official Report, column 945, what discussions he has had with his international counterparts on the Jeddah process; and if he will make an assessment of the effectiveness of those discussions for making progress to a sustainable end to the conflict in Gaza. (21992)
- 124 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had recent discussions on (a) effective deconfliction and (b) the humanitarian situation in Gaza with his Israeli counterpart. (21994)
- 125 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking with international partners to facilitate mediation between parties to reduce conflict in the Middle East. (21995)

- 126 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 24 December 2024 to Question 19304 on Syria: Armed Conflict, if he will make an assessment of the effectiveness of those discussions in ensuring a peaceful transfer of power in Syria. (21996)
- 127 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 24 December 2024 to Question 19304 on Syria: Armed Conflict, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the (a) availability in and (b) access of aid into Syria. (21997)
- 128 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 19 December 2024 to Question 19314 on Belarus: Sanctions, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of sanction avoidance by Belarus in liquefied natural gas (a) imports and (b) exports. (21999)
- 129 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 19 December 2024 to Question 19314 on Belarus: Sanctions, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of sanction avoidance by Belarus in banking and financial services (a) imports and (b) exports. . (22000)
- 130 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 19 December 2024 to Question 19314 on Belarus: Sanctions, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of sanction avoidance by Belarus in alcohol (a) imports and (b) exports. (22001)
- 131 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 17 December 2024 to Question 19695 on Foreign Relations: Elections, what recent discussions has he had with his counterpart in Georgia; and if he will make an assessment of the effectiveness of those discussions at reducing political tensions in that country. (22002)
- 132 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 19 December 2024 to Question 19310 on Syria: Religious Freedom, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the treatment of Christians in Syria. (22004)
- 133 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking with international partners to prosecute the former President of Syria Bashar al-Assad. (22005)
- 134 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies on Syria of the fall of the Bashar al-Assad government. (22006)

- 135 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking with (a) international and (b) NGO partners to remove blocks on humanitarian aid entering Sudan. (22008)
- 136 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what proportion of UK humanitarian aid to Sudan is spent in-country. (22010)
- 137 **Anna Sabine** (Frome and East Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will take steps to ensure that UK international climate finance reaches (a) children and (b) communities most vulnerable to climate change. (22217)
- 138 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with his Syrian counterpart on the protection of Christians in that country. (21990)
- 139 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of China's treatment of Falun Gong practitioners. (21991)
- 140 **Claire Young** (Thornbury and Yate): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking with his international counterparts to help tackle extra-judicial imprisonment. (22166)
- 141 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she expects the recommendations of 2022 Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Exploitation to be implemented. (22063)
- 142 **Josh Babarinde** (Eastbourne): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to reduce the processing time for Disclosure and Barring Service checks for people working in the health and social care sector. (22131)
- 143 **Steve Barclay** (North East Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will publish the perpetrator ethnicity data for grooming and sexual violence collected by the Tackling Organised Exploitation Programme. (21980)
- 144 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether it is her Department's policy to notify successful applicants that they have been issued with an eVisa. (22082)
- 145 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 13 December 2024 to Question 18268 on Firearms: Licensing, when she last held discussions with (a) the police, (b) gun control groups, (c) the British Shooting Sports Council and (d) the British Association for Shooting and Conservation on firearms licensing in England, Scotland and Wales. (22183)

- 146 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether Dorset will receive a Young Future Hub. (22226)
- 147 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she plans the Young Future Hubs to be jointly run with third sector partners. (22227)
- 148 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department plans to redistribute sea worthy boats used in migrant crossings to youth groups such as Sea Scouts. (22231)
- 149 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people arriving on small boats died in the English channel in each of the last three years. (21967)
- 150 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when Ministers in her Department held meetings on grooming gangs in the last five years; and who the external attendees at those meetings were. (21968)
- 151 **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Stamford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department has made a recent assessment of the potential merits of making cuckooing a crime. (22097)
- 152 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will take steps to ensure that interim Serious Crime Prevention Orders are not used to target individuals engaging in lawful political dissent. (22239)
- 153 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will (a) review and (b) update the definition of anti-social behaviour in the (i) Antisocial Behaviour Act 2003 and (ii) Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011. (22110)
- 154 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many staff the Border Security Command will have; and at what grade. (22141)
- 155 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many (a) operational and (b) support staff Border Security Command employs as of 1 January 2025. (22142)
- 156 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 30 December 2024 to Question 20254 on Asylum: Housing, what the cost was of each of the Contract Change Notices. (22069)
- 157 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 30 December 2024 to Question 20254 on Asylum: Housing, what difference each of the Contract Change Notices made to the contract. (22070)

- 158 **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will publish perpetrator ethnicity data for (a) grooming and (b) sexual violence collected by the Tackling Organised Exploitation Programme. (22224)
- 159 **Luke Taylor** (Sutton and Cheam): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she plans to bring forward legislative proposals to tackle stalking by putting victims first and increasing the protections available to them. (22147)
- 160 **Luke Taylor** (Sutton and Cheam): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she plans (a) national and (b) local awareness campaigns on the crime of stalking. (22148)
- 161 **Luke Taylor** (Sutton and Cheam): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what plans she has to provide training for (a) police officers and (b) legal professionals on implementation of new legislation on stalking. (22149)
- 162 **Luke Taylor** (Sutton and Cheam): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to increase public trust in the Metropolitan Police Service. (22150)
- 163 **Luke Taylor** (Sutton and Cheam): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to tackle underreporting of stalking. (22151)
- 164 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to page 33 of the policy paper entitled Plan for Change: Milestones for mission-led government, published on 5 December 2024, CP1210, how she plans to measure success in building confidence in the criminal justice system; and whether she plans to regularly (a) collect and (b) publish victim satisfaction data. (22024)
- 165 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the policy paper entitled Plan for Change, published on 5 December 2024, CP1210, how she plans to measure progress towards her target for safer town centres; and what her target is for reducing levels of (a) anti-social behaviour, (b) shoplifting and (c) other specific crimes. (22025)
- 166 **Suella Braverman** (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to protect national security in the context of the AQUIND interconnector project. (22049)
- 167 **Carla Denyer** (Bristol Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has had discussions with representatives of the Five Eyes on the potential implications for that community of President-elect Donald Trump's plan to appoint Tulsi Gabbard as US Director of National Intelligence. (22146)
- 168 **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of alleged reports that Russia has used chemical weapons in Ukraine . (21978)

- 169 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what estimate he has made of the increase in the number of veterans able to vote due to the introduction of the Veterans ID card as voter ID. (22102)
- 170 **Robin Swann** (South Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent progress he has made on the War Widow(er)s Recognition Payment scheme; how many applicants have received payments; and what the (a) branch of service and (b) regiment of such recipients is. (22221)
- 171 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, when her Department will publish a breakdown of planned spending on homelessness (a) support and (b) prevention for 2025-26. (22077)
- 172 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether the (a) Rough Sleeping Initiative, (b) Rough Sleeping Accommodation Programme and (c) Night Shelter Transformation Fund will continue in 2025-26. (22078)
- 173 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 12 September 2024 to Question 4279 on Housing: Bricks, what steps she plans to take to increase rates of swift brick installation in new build properties. (22080)
- 174 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what estimate she has made of the funding gap for district councils in Lincolnshire in the next two years. (21965)
- 175 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the English Devolution White Paper on the delivery of public services in Lincolnshire. (21972)
- 176 **Dame Meg Hillier** (Hackney South and Shoreditch): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if her Department will take steps to encourage insurance companies to insure buildings with a PAS 9980 assessment of (a) low and (b) medium tolerable that do not require remediation. [R] (21979)
- 177 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will take steps to integrate the regulatory requirements for private landlords of (a) the Minimum Energy Efficiency Standards, (b) the Decent Homes Standard, (c) the Social Housing (Regulation) Act 2023, (d) selective licensing and (e) landlord registration. [R] (22032)

- 178 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 29 November 2024 to Question 15203 on Council Tax: Probate, whether the 12 month period for marketing for sale and let is in addition to the 12 month period for first becoming an empty dwelling before being liable for a premium. (22038)
- 179 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 3 December 2024 to Question 15929 on Local Government: Standards, what her definition is of regional government; and what the statutory basis is of regional government in England. (22039)
- 180 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 2 December 2024 to Question 15443 on Government departments: trade unions, which recognised trade unions in her Department have their membership subscriptions collected via check-off; and how many staff members have their memberships so collected for each union. (22040)
- 181 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment has been made of the cost of the Employment Rights reforms on local authorities, including the indirect cost through outsourced social care services. (22041)
- 182 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 3 December 2023 to Question 15517 on Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government: Consultants, if she will publish the savings made on consultancy fees in her Department since 5 July 2024. (22042)
- 183 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 3 December 2024 to Question 15832 on Labour: Civil Servants, whether her Departments holds information on how many civil servants other than special advisers were permitted to attend last year's Labour Party conference. (22043)
- 184 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the answer of 3 December 2024 to Question 15932 on Council of the Nations and Regions, for what reason council (a) leaders and (b) mayors were not invited. (22044)
- 185 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, through what mechanism small business rate relief is financed; and how local authorities are reimbursed for the cost. (22045)

- 186 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will publish her response to the letter from the Inter-Parliamentary Alliance on China of 4 December 2024 on the consultation process for the Chinese Embassy planning application. (22046)
- 187 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the consultation entitled Reforms to the Energy Performance of Buildings regime, published on 4 December 2024, what estimate she has made of the potential impact of these proposals on regulatory costs for private sector landlords. (22047)
- 188 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the consultation entitled Reforms to the Energy Performance of Buildings regime, published on 4 December 2024, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of these proposals on the rating of an average dwelling with an EPC rating of C. (22048)
- 189 **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Stamford): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, when the next round of the Community Ownership Fund will open for applications. (22096)
- 190 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what progress her Department has made on setting up the Inter-Ministerial Group on ending homelessness. (22235)
- 191 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will amend planning regulations to facilitate converting holiday lodges into permanent primary homes. (22111)
- 192 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department is encouraging developers to make provisions for (a) hedgehogs and (b) other wildlife. (22119)
- 193 **Melanie Ward** (Cowdenbeath and Kirkcaldy): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what proportion of funding from the most recent round of the Community Ownership Fund was allocated to bids from Scotland. (22212)
- 194 **Melanie Ward** (Cowdenbeath and Kirkcaldy): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, when her planned timetable is for allocating the next round of Access for All funding. (22213)
- 195 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the policy paper entitled Plan for Change, published on 5 December 2024, CP1210, how her Department plans to measure progress towards the target to raise living standards in every part of the UK; and if she will make it her policy to publish data on changes in real household disposable income per head in each local authority. (22017)

- 196 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the policy paper entitled Plan for Change, published on 5 December 2024, CP1210, if she will make it her policy to publish an annual report on progress towards the target to build 1.5 million homes. (22018)
- 197 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the policy paper entitled Plan for Change, published on 5 December 2024, CP1210, if she will make it her policy to publish regular reports on progress towards the target to fast track at least 150 major infrastructure projects; and what her definition is of a major infrastructure project in this context. (22019)
- 198 **Jess Brown-Fuller** (Chichester): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing financial protection to victims of (a) financially coercive and (b) other controlling behaviour. (22222)
- 199 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will make an assessment of the adequacy of the recall to prison programme. (22122)
- 200 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 18 December 2024 to Question 19860 on Prisons: Repairs and Maintenance, if she will publish the 2023 assessment. (22229)
- 201 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 18 December 2024 to Question 19860, Prisons: Repairs and Maintenance, whether the expected performance parameters of private sector providers have changed since these contracts were awarded. (22230)
- 202 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many and what proportion of people convicted for shoplifting offences reoffended within (a) 12 months and (b) two years in each of the last five years. (21971)
- 203N **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Stamford): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many foreign nationals have been convicted for grooming. [Transferred] (21679)
- 204N **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Stamford): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will bring forward legislative proposals to make being (a) the leader of and (b) involved in a grooming gang a statutory aggravating factor during sentencing. [Transferred] (21680)
- 205 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what recent estimate she has made of when the Independent Review of Sentencing will be complete. (22232)
- 206 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what discussions her Department has had with the independent Sentencing Council for England and Wales on the adequacy of sentencing guidelines for child sexual offences in (a) reflecting the severity of the crime and (b) preventing reoffending. (22233)

- 207 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of requesting the Sentencing Council for England and Wales produce guidelines on the sentencing of grooming gangs. (22234)
- 208 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment her Department has made of the adequacy of custodial sentences for child sexual offences in preventing reoffending. (22236)
- 209 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will bring forward legislative proposals to reform the process for the forfeiture of peerages where a peer has been convicted of serious crimes. (22240)
- 210 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether his Department has made an assessment of the adequacy of legislation for revoking peerages in cases involving serious criminal convictions. (22241)
- 211 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will bring forward legislative proposals to expand the grounds under which a peerage can be revoked to include crimes involving (a) sexual offences and (b) abuse of power. (22242)
- 212 **Charlie Dewhurst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Prime Minister, pursuant to the Answer of 4 December 2024 to Question 15193 on Ministers: Code of Practice, for what reason he included the previously removed duty for ministers to comply with international law in the new Ministerial Code. (22186)
- 213 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Right hon. Member for Kenilworth and Southam, representing the Speaker's Committee on the Electoral Commission, what guidance the Electoral Commission has provided on the use of single notional invoices in candidate returns made under the Representation of the People Act 1983 where multiple (a) elections are held concurrently and (b) candidates in different constituencies and council areas split their costs. (22034)
- 214 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Right hon. Member for Kenilworth and Southam, representing the Speaker's Committee on the Electoral Commission, how many and what proportion of local authority returning officers have sent to the Electoral Commission copies of Parliamentary candidates' election expense returns from the 2024 general election under section 87A of the Representation of the People Act 1983. (22035)
- 215 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Right hon. Member for Kenilworth and Southam, representing the Speaker's Committee on the Electoral Commission, whether the Electoral Commission has issued guidance on whether the loan of accommodation to a Parliamentary candidate in the short campaign would be a declarable (a) notional expense and (b) donation under the Representation of the People Act 1983. (22036)

- 216 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Right hon. Member for Kenilworth and Southam, representing the Speaker's Committee on the Electoral Commission, whether the Electoral Commission has issued guidance on whether a returning officer may levy a prescribed fee for the supply of an electronic copy of an (a) election return and (b) declaration under section 89 of the Representation of the People Act 1983. (22037)
- 217 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the her Department's consultation entitled Transforming business rates, published 30 October 2024, whether she plans to meet with (a) British Business Improvement Districts, (b) The BID Foundation and (c) the Association of Town Centre Management as part of the engagement process. (22076)
- 218 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing duty relief to brewers of cask conditioned beers. (22079)
- 219 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an estimate of the number of working age people who have reduced their working hours as a result of marginal state income deductions. (22058)
- 220 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will introduce an exemption from changes to employer National Insurance contributions for (a) small and (b) local charities. (21970)
- 221 **Samantha Niblett** (South Derbyshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether the independent review of the loan charge will cover the (a) current and (b) historic roles of (i) promoters, (ii) umbrella companies and (iii) HMRC; what steps she is taking to ensure the independence of the staff of the review; whether people who (A) work and (B) have worked for (1) HMRC and (2) her Department will be permitted to work for the review; and what steps she is taking to ensure the confidentiality of the conclusions and recommendations of the review until it is published. (22178)
- 222 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will assess the effectiveness of the Eat Out to Help Out Scheme. (22089)
- 223 **Anna Sabine** (Frome and East Somerset): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential implications for her policies of trends in the cost of insurance. (22218)
- 224 **Anna Sabine** (Frome and East Somerset): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of putting a cap on insurance costs for small businesses. (22219)
- 225 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the policy paper entitled Plan for Change, published on 5 December 2024, CP1210, what metrics she plans to use to measure progress towards the target to deliver the highest sustained growth in the G7. (22012)

- 226 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the policy paper entitled Plan for Change, published on 5 December 2024, CP1210, what metrics she plans to use to measure economic stability beyond gross domestic product. (22013)
- 227 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the written statement entitled Plan for Change: Milestones for mission-led Government, published on 5 December 2024, HCWS285, and the policy paper entitled Plan for Change, published on 5 December 2024, CP1210, whether funding announced in the Plan for Change includes funding previously announced by the Government; and whether there will be Barnett consequential funding for devolved administrations. (22014)
- 228 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the policy paper entitled Plan for Change, published on 5 December 2024, CP1210, if she will make it her policy to publish an annual spending review for the milestones set out in the Plan for Change showing how much funding has been (a) allocated, (b) spent and (c) reallocated for each of the five milestones. (22016)
- 229 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what her Department's definition of gender identity is. (21966)
- 230 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what steps she is taking to help tackle disability discrimination in workplaces. (21985)
- 231 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what discussions she has had with the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions on introducing more flexible paternity leave. (21986)

Questions for Answer on Thursday 9 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Laurence Turner** (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the Standards and Testing Agency's publication of 20 July 2022, entitled Information: primary assessments in the 2022/23 academic year, for what reason it was decided not to undertake further science sampling tests at Key Stage 2. (22207)
- 2N **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many pupils who are eligible for free school meals are not claiming it. (22087)

- 3N **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an estimate of the number and proportion of children who would be eligible for free school meals had the income threshold for people on Universal Credit risen with inflation since 2018. (22088)
- 4N **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the policy paper entitled Plan for Change, published on 5 December 2024, CP1210, how she plans to measure progress towards her target for children to be thriving at school; and if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of using data on attainment gaps between disadvantaged pupils and their peers as a core metric for this target. (22026)
- 5N **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Stamford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will publish a plan to help tackle the use of Uyghur slave labour in solar supply chains. (22099)
- 6N **Steff Aquarone** (North Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of trends in levels of costs for statutory external audit fees levied on National Park authorities on those authorities; and if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of the (a) levels of those fees and (b) breadth of those statutory requirements. (22182)
- 7N **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Stamford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how much funding has been allocated to support areas at risk of flooding; and when he plans to announce these. (22093)
- 8N **Jayne Kirkham** (Truro and Falmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what his timetable is for proposed reforms to the Bathing Water Regulations 2013. (22216)
- 9N **Adam Dance** (Yeovil): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 19 December 2024 to Question 20545 on Department of Health and Social Care: Correspondence, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that 80% of hon. Members receive a response to correspondence in 20 days. (22204)
- 10N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 3 January 2025 to Question 19417 on Genetics: Diseases, how much funding was provided by NHS England to the Genetic Risk Equity project; and what that funding was used for. (22100)
- 11N **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Stamford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many cases of human metapneumovirus have been identified in the UK. (22090)
- 12N **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Stamford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with (a) his international counterparts and (b) the World Health Organisation on human metapneumovirus. (22091)

- 13N **Chris McDonald** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to increase the maximum application amount for the Disabled Facilities Grant. (22159)
- 14N **Laurence Turner** (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the CQC's publication of 27 November 2024 entitled CQC finds improvement in CAMHS wards at Birmingham Women's and Children's NHS Foundation Trust, when the CQC plans to publish the full report. (22211)
- 15N **Derek Twigg** (Widnes and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, which organisation is responsible for procuring radiotherapy machines. (21976)
- 16N **Derek Twigg** (Widnes and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of classifying clinical engineers as healthcare professionals under the Health and Care Worker Visa. (21977)
- 17N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment has been made of the potential impact of Cyclone Chido on people in southern Africa. (22029)
- 18N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the impact of Cyclone Chido on communities in northern Zambia. (22030)
- 19N **Ruth Jones** (Newport West and Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent progress his Department has made on helping to improve freedom of religion or belief of minority Buddhist communities in Southeast Asia. (22072)
- 20N **Ruth Jones** (Newport West and Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent progress he has made on supporting (a) Rakhine Muslim and (b) Christian communities in Myanmar. (22073)
- 21N **Ruth Jones** (Newport West and Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential implications for his policies on freedom of religion or belief of the imposition of legal restrictions on the Burqa in public spaces in Switzerland; and whether he plans to take steps to help promote freedom of religion or belief in Switzerland in the context of that legislation. (22074)
- 22N **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with his Israeli counterparts on their commitments to ensure aid delivery into Gaza. (21993)

- 23N **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 17 December 2024 to Question 19312 on Syria: British Nationals Abroad, what steps is he taking to provide consular support to British nationals in Syria. (21998)
- 24N **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 10 December 2024 to Question 16959 on Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance: Finance, what discussions he has had with international partners on supporting (a) Gavi and (b) upcoming global health replenishments; and when those discussions took place. (22003)
- 25N **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what estimate he has made of the value of Russian state assets in the UK. (22007)
- 26N **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department has taken to identify potential additional routes for humanitarian aid delivery into Sudan since July 2024. (22009)
- 27N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many voluntary deportations took place between 4 July and 31 December 2024. (22140)
- 28N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many (a) children and (b) adults were prosecuted for the creation of indecent images of (i) children and (ii) adults using denudifying apps in 2024. (22143)
- 29N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what proportion of deportations between 4 July and 31 December were (a) enforced and (b) voluntary. (22144)
- 30N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people were prosecuted for the (a) creation, (b) distribution and (c) ownership of entirely AI-generated indecent images of children in 2024. (22145)
- 31N **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to page 34 of the policy paper entitled Plan for Change: Milestones for mission-led government, published on 5 December 2024, CP1210, how she plans to measure the success of the neighbourhood policing guarantee; and if she will publish data on (a) police visibility and (b) public satisfaction at the community level. (22023)
- 32N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of changes to (a) Business Property Relief and (b) employer National Insurance contributions on SMEs in the defence sector. (22101)

- 33N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many (a) dependents and (b) extended family members have been requested to join Afghans residing in Service Families Accommodation. (22136)
- 34N **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Stamford): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the English Devolution White Paper, published on 16 December 2024, whether unitary local authorities will be required to merge with neighbouring councils to meet the 500,000 target. (22092)
- 35N **Jayne Kirkham** (Truro and Falmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will introduce the Future Homes and Building Standards as soon as possible. (22215)
- 36N **Andrew Cooper** (Mid Cheshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the average length of time was for a First-tier Tribunal (Social Security and Child Support) appeal for (a) personal independence payment and (b) universal credit in (i) Mid Cheshire constituency, (ii) Cheshire and (iii) England in each of the last five years. (22205)
- 37N **Andrew Cooper** (Mid Cheshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many appellants are waiting for First-tier Tribunal (Social Security and Child Support) appeals to be listed for personal independence payment in (a) Mid Cheshire constituency, (b) Cheshire and (c) England. (22206)
- 38N **Laurence Turner** (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the average processing time was for applications to the Criminal Injuries Compensation Scheme by people resident in Birmingham in each of the last five years. (22209)
- 39N **Alex Burghart** (Brentwood and Ongar): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, when he plans to reply to the letter from the hon. Member for Brentwood and Ongar dated 5 December 2024. (22053)
- 40N **Alex Burghart** (Brentwood and Ongar): To ask the Prime Minister, when he plans to reply to the letter from the hon. Member for Brentwood and Ongar dated 29 November 2024. (22052)
- 41N **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of whether public spending plans in the (a) Autumn Budget 2024 and (b) Spending Review phase (i) one and (ii) two will require (A) compulsory and (B) voluntary redundancies in the civil service. (22015)
- 42N **Laurence Turner** (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what recent progress she has made on enactment of the socio-economic duty under Section 1 of the Equality Act 2010. (22208)
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Questions for Answer on Monday 13 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to include Annatto (E160b) on the list of allergens that must be labelled under UK food labelling regulations. (22127)
- 2N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will undertake a review of the (a) funding model and (b) role of community pharmacies. (22011)
- 3N **Josh Newbury** (Cannock Chase): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of making (a) Integrated Care Boards and (b) NHS trusts statutory consultees in the planning process. [R] (22103)
- 4N **Mary Glendon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps she is taking to introduce specialist rape courts at every Crown Court. (21981)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 14 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of the scheduled ending of the Listed Places of Worship Grant Scheme in March 2025 on local projects aimed at restoring listed places of worship; and what alternative sources of support her Department plans to provide to ensure the continued preservation and restoration of historic buildings. (22125)
- 2N **Charlotte Cane** (Ely and East Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to increase access to assessments for Special Educational Needs. [Transferred] (21803)
- 3N **Peter Prinsley** (Bury St Edmunds and Stowmarket): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will hold discussions with the Health and Safety Executive on the potential merits of taking steps encourage employers to (a) organise regular hearing tests, (b) distribute adequate personal hearing protectors and (c) implement other measures to help prevent occupational hearing loss. (22181)

- 4N **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve the diagnosis and recognition of Lyme Disease. (22126)
- 5N **David Davis** (Goole and Pocklington): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what data her Department holds on the number of times UK police forces have authorised targeted surveillance of journalists and lawyers. (21974)
- 6N **David Davis** (Goole and Pocklington): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what guidance her Department has issued to police forces on the use of surveillance powers to carry out surveillance on journalists and lawyers. (21975)
- 7N **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate her Department has made of the average processing times for deputyship applications by the Court of Protection. (22124)