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## Questions tabled on Friday 10 January 2025

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### Questions for Answer on Monday 13 January

#### Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Richard Tice** (Boston and Skegness): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make an estimate of the annual cost of regulatory compliance for businesses in each of the last five years; and if she will make a comparative estimate of the cost of regulatory compliance (a) in the UK and (b) across the G7. [Transferred] (23069)
- 2 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of boycotts of Israeli participation in (a) sporting and (b) cultural events on levels of community cohesion in the UK. [Transferred] (22911)
- 3 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department provides support programs including (a) appropriate training, (b) mentorship and (c) career pathways to encourage young people to enter the construction sector. [Transferred] (22703)
- 4N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to ensure landlords are compliant with the need to ensure that new tenancies have an Energy Performance Rating of at least C from 1 April 2025. [Transferred] (22768)
- 5 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department will continue to support the Rural Housing Enablers Scheme. [Transferred] (22976)

- 6 **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Stamford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what progress he has made on developing an improved plant health alert system; and whether the new system will include real time updates on border holds. [Transferred] (22699)
- 7 **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Stamford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to improve border infrastructure for importing (a) large plants and (b) trees. [Transferred] (22700)
- 8 **Mims Davies** (East Grinstead and Uckfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, when she next plans to review the departmental ministerial disability champions programme. [Transferred] (22942)
- 9 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Leader of the House, what assessment her Department has made of the adequacy of recent answers to Written Questions in the context of improving transparency in Government. [Transferred] (23038)
- 10 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether free schools will be affected by changes to charitable business rate relief for schools. [Transferred] (22649)
- 11 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, pursuant to the Answer of 6 September 2024 to Question 2316 on Equality, whether the socio-economic duty will apply to local education authority decisions on (a) parents with children joining the state system from independent schools and (b) other school admissions. [Transferred] (22932)

## Questions for Answer on Tuesday 14 January

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 3 December 2024 to Question HL2771 on Civil Servants: Recruitment, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of crown servant internships not being open those of white British backgrounds on community relations, in the context of Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010. (23179)
- 2 **Lewis Cocking** (Broxbourne): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 3 December 2024 to Question 15845 on Small Businesses: Recruitment, when he plans to publish the small business strategy. (23185)
- 3 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of introducing (a) licencing for builders and (b) affordable recourse for people impacted by rogue builders. (23175)

- 4 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she plans to support new FM licences for radio stations in (a) South Holland and the Deepings constituency and (b) Lincolnshire. (23121)
- 5 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she has made a recent assessment the effectiveness of self-regulation by the gambling industry with regard to gambling advertising. (23125)
- 6 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what information her Department holds on the number of children that were home-schooled in Lincolnshire in the (a) 2022-23 and (b) 2023-2024 academic years. (23120)
- 7 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she plans to make the Chartered Town Planner Level 7 Apprenticeship exempt from any reforms in access to the new Growth and Skills Levy. (23140)
- 8 **Michael Payne** (Gedling): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to (a) support children in foster care and (b) the work of foster carers (i) in Gedling constituency and (ii) nationally. (23202)
- 9 **Graham Stuart** (Beverley and Holderness): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate she has made of the cost to local authorities of (a) establishing and (b) maintaining a register of home schooled children. (23131)
- 10 **Graham Stuart** (Beverley and Holderness): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she plans to provide additional funding to local authorities to (a) create and (b) enforce a register of children not in school. (23132)
- 11 **Graham Stuart** (Beverley and Holderness): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the monetary penalty issued to a person who has not registered their child would be under clause 436E of the Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill. (23133)
- 12 **Graham Stuart** (Beverley and Holderness): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the penalty for late payment for not registering home schooled children will be; and what the maximum penalty will be in the event of continued non-payment. (23134)
- 13 **Graham Stuart** (Beverley and Holderness): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate her Department has made of the proportion of children of peripatetic families not in school who will be captured by the proposed register of home schooled children. (23135)
- 14 **Mohammad Yasin** (Bedford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made a recent assessment of the potential merits of (a) revising the school calendar and (b) reducing the length of the school summer holidays. (23162)

- 15 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of the accessibility of the consultation on Capacity Market: proposals to modernise Rules and improve participation and delivery assurance of consumer-led flexibility, published on 16 December 2024. (23218)
- 16 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of the accessibility of the call for evidence on Capacity Market: consumer-led flexibility, published on 16 December 2024. (23219)
- 17 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an assessment with the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology of the adequacy of the accessibility of the consultation on UK Emissions Trading Scheme: free allocation review - carbon leakage, published on 16 December 2024. (23222)
- 18 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of the accessibility of the consultation on Raising product standards for space heating, published on 17 December 2024. (23225)
- 19 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to help small and medium sized businesses with energy costs in (a) South Holland and the Deepings constituency and (b) Lincolnshire. (23123)
- 20 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of the use of hydrogen for heating. (23234)
- 21 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of hydrogen-hybrid vehicles on achieving the UK's net-zero emissions targets. (23235)
- 22 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of integrating hybrid-fuelled boilers with (a) electric air-source heat pumps and (b) smart technology to help decarbonise residential properties. (23236)
- 23 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of increasing the use of hydrometallurgical separation in the recycling of electric vehicle batteries to help facilitate the recovery of lithium. (23172)

- 24 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of the Institute of the Motor Industry's survey entitled EV TechSafe Technician Forecasts - Jan 2024. (23173)
- 25 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to help increase storage levels of gas. (23195)
- 26 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of the accessibility of the consultation on Proposed changes to the water company drought plan guideline, published on 16 December 2024. (23217)
- 27 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many incidents of flooding have been reported in (a) South Holland and the Deepings constituency and (b) Lincolnshire in the last five years. (23117)
- 28 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of the ban on the use of neonicotinoids on agricultural crops on (a) bee and (b) butterfly population trends. (23119)
- 29 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of the proposed Grimsby to Walpole pylon project on the availability of farmland. (23122)
- 30 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the contribution of farming to the economy of (a) South Holland and the Deepings constituency and (b) Lincolnshire. (23124)
- 31 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he has had recent discussions with the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs on the use of artificial intelligence in farming and agriculture. (23168)
- 32 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he has had discussions with Horizon Europe on opportunities for research into (a) detecting, (b) preventing and (c) removing child sexual abuse images created by generative Artificial Intelligence since July 2024. (23209)
- 33 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he plans to produce a domestic research strategy for (a) detecting, (b) preventing and (c) removing child sexual abuse images created by generative Artificial Intelligence. (23210)

- 34 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): 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 supporting research into (a) detecting, (b) preventing and (c) removing child sexual abuse images created by generative Artificial Intelligence since July 2024. (23211)
- 35 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he has had discussions with businesses on the UK's approach to supporting research into (a) detecting, (b) preventing and (c) removing child sexual abuse images created by generative Artificial Intelligence since July 2024. (23212)
- 36 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he has had discussions with universities on the UK's approach to supporting research into (a) detecting, (b) preventing and (c) removing child sexual abuse images created by generative Artificial Intelligence since July 2024. (23213)
- 37 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of AI regulation in (a) detecting, (b) preventing, and (c) removing child sexual abuse images created by generative artificial intelligence. (23214)
- 38 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions he has had with the Government Office for Technology Transfer on (a) detecting, (b) preventing, and (c) removing child sexual abuse images created by generative artificial intelligence since July 2024. (23215)
- 39 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions he has had with the Regulatory Innovation Office on (a) detecting, (b) preventing, and (c) removing child sexual abuse images created by generative artificial intelligence since July 2024. (23216)
- 40 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of the accessibility of the consultation on Copyright and Artificial Intelligence, published on 17 December 2024. (23223)
- 41 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of the accessibility of the call for evidence on DSIT Central Statistics User Engagement Exercise, published on 18 December 2024. (23226)
- 42 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of amending the Online Safety Act 2023 to help tackle fake news through (a) AI-generated content and (b) deepfakes. (23233)

- 43 **Mr Will Forster** (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if her Department will take steps to respond to the letter from Liberal Democrat hon. Members on the nationalisation of South Western Railway. (23242)
- 44 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment with the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology of the adequacy of the accessibility of the consultation on Draft information and guidance on storm overflows, published on 16 December 2024. (23220)
- 45 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment with the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology of the adequacy of the accessibility of the consultation on Benchmarking operators' performance in rail passenger assistance, published on 16 December 2024. (23221)
- 46 **Michael Payne** (Gedling): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure the adequacy of the number of wheelchair spaces on (a) buses and (b) other public transport. (23203)
- 47 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of requiring cyclists and motorcyclists to wear high visibility attire after dark. (23174)
- 48 **Dr Andrew Murrison** (South West Wiltshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what information her Department holds on the number of window cleaners electrocuted whilst using water-fed poles in each year for which records are available. (23130)
- 49 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to support vulnerable pensioners during winter 2024-25, in the context of changes to the eligibility criteria for the winter fuel payment. (23196)
- 50 **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 implications for his policies of (a) trends in the level of costs of medicines and (b) potential closures of community pharmacies. (23165)
- 51 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve access to (a) healthcare services, (b) GPs and (c) mental health support in (i) Ashfield and (ii) Mansfield constituencies. (23169)
- 52 **Pippa Heylings** (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the availability of NHS cognitive behavioural therapy for insomnia; and whether he plans to increase the coverage of that therapy. (23193)
- 53 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with stakeholders on the potential side effects of the COVID-19 vaccine. (23245)



- 54 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will provide a breakdown of spending on brain cancer research in 2023-24. (23243)
- 55 **Michael Payne** (Gedling): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to ensure that (a) patients requiring Creon are updated on the availability of that medication and (b) local guidance issued by (i) his Department and (ii) NHS England is shared with patients. (23198)
- 56 **Michael Payne** (Gedling): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve the care of people with Addison's disease including (a) providing clearer information and (b) ensuring timely access to (i) treatment and (ii) support. (23199)
- 57 **Michael Payne** (Gedling): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help (a) provide timely (i) diagnosis and (ii) treatment and (b) improve other support for adults with autism. (23200)
- 58 **Joani Reid** (East Kilbride and Strathaven): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the availability of Bedrocan oil. (23194)
- 59 **Luke Akehurst** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what information his Department holds on whether drones have been used by the military regime against civilians in Myanmar. (23197)
- 60N **Barry Gardiner** (Brent West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 19 December 2024 to Question 19633 on the Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction Agreement, what recent assessment he has made of the extent to which primary legislation will be required before ratification. [Transferred] (22880)
- 61 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with his Pakistani counterpart on returning people from that country convicted for involvement in grooming gangs. (23207)
- 62 **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 19316 on Development Aid: Review, what progress he has made on consideration of the Development Review. (23136)
- 63 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to tackle modern slavery in illegal hand carwashes. (23167)



- 64 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment with the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology of the adequacy of the accessibility of the consultation on Provisional police grant allocations: 2025 to 2026, published on 17 December 2024. (23224)
- 65 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many (a) new and (b) replacement passports were issued in 2024. (23126)
- 66 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential implications of the number of asylum seekers entering the UK in December 2024 for (a) community cohesion and (b) the use of hotels for housing asylum seekers. (23138)
- 67 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether the police national computer retains nominal records for non-resident people. (23184)
- 68 **Mr Calvin Bailey** (Leyton and Wanstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what proportion of participants in university Officer Training Corps complete the (a) Army Reserve Commissioning Course and (b) Commissioning Course for Regular Officers.[R] (23187)
- 69 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether the delay to the publication of his Department's annual statistics on armed forces equipment will impact the scheduling of other departmental (a) reports and (b) reviews. (23157)
- 70 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she plans to take if local authorities do not meet their local housing targets. (23163)
- 71 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will include a target for the number of social rent homes in the long-term housing strategy. (23164)
- 72 **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to protect the countryside and wildlife, in the context of her Department's proposed planning reforms. (23182)
- 73 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the adequacy of the accessibility of the Consultation: provisional local government finance settlement 2025 to 2026, published on 18 December 2024. (23227)
- 74 **Peter Fortune** (Bromley and Biggin Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the adequacy of the accessibility of the consultation on Local audit reform: a strategy for overhauling the local audit system in England, published on 18 December 2024. (23228)

- 75 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the policy paper entitled Planning Reform Working Paper: Planning Committees, published on 9 December 2024, whether the requirements for delegation to planning officers would apply to planning applications for traveller sites. (23139)
- 76 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, which local authorities responded to her Department's letter of 16 December 2024 on local government restructuring to (a) express a formal interest and (b) request that May 2025 local elections be cancelled. (23141)
- 77 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 6 January 2025 to Question HL3612 on Unitary Councils, what she classes as a small unitary authority. (23142)
- 78 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the guidance entitled Council of the Nations and Regions: Terms of Reference, published on 17 October 2024, in which Department is the (a) secretariat and (b) delivery group for that council based. (23143)
- 79 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 6 January 2025 to Question 20655 on Housing: Migrants, what information her Department holds on the potential impact of immigration on housing costs. (23144)
- 80 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many times local planning authorities will be required to update Local Plans following (a) the new National Planning Policy Framework, (b) the creation of Strategic Development Strategies and (c) unitarisation in two-tier areas. (23145)
- 81 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 7 January 2025 to Question 20841 on Local Plans, what parts of the local development scheme will local planning authorities be required to update by March 2025. (23146)
- 82 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 7 January 2025 to Question 17127 on Levelling Up and Regeneration Act 2023, if she will list each section of the Levelling Up and Regeneration Act 2023 that she does not intend to (a) implement with secondary legislation and (b) substantively commence. (23147)

- 83 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 7 January 2025 to Question 17127 on Levelling Up and Regeneration Act 2023, if she will list each section of the Levelling Up and Regeneration Act that (a) has not yet been commenced and (b) she plans to commence (i) in 2025, (ii) in 2026 and (iii) after 2026. (23148)
- 84 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 7 January 2025 to Question 17565 on Chinese Embassy: Planning Permission, if she will place in the Library a copy of the correspondence between her Department and the Foreign, Commons and Development Office on the planning application for a proposed new Chinese Embassy. (23149)
- 85 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the section entitled timelines and next steps of her Department's letter to local councils of 16 December 2024 on the devolution white paper, what the methodological difference is between (a) areas that need reorganisation to unlock devolution and (b) areas that are minded-to join the Devolution Priority programme. (23150)
- 86 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to prevent potential intimidation of people of the Jewish faith during protest marches past synagogues. (23151)
- 87 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how the Casey Commission on social care will consult local government. (23152)
- 88 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to publish a consultation on data sharing powers between relevant government agencies and political parties. (23153)
- 89 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will take steps to ensure that the Norfolk County Council elections take place on 1 May 2025. (23206)
- 90 **Michael Payne** (Gedling): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will issue guidance to local authorities on priority need for housing for people living with HIV. (23204)
- 91 **Ben Goldsborough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what proportion of single justice procedure convictions were for which recordable offences in the most recent year for which data is available. (23208)
- 92 **Alex Easton** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that people in Northern Ireland who (a) have their vehicles damaged by stolen cars where the driver is not apprehended and (b) do not have

comprehensive insurance are aware of their eligibility to claim compensation through the Motor Insurers' Bureau (MIB); when the MIB took responsibility for compensating victims in these cases; and what steps he has taken to inform the public of this change. (23230)

- 93 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of increases in employer National Insurance contributions on agricultural businesses. (23118)
- 94 **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of changes made to employer's National Insurance contributions at the Autumn Budget 2024 on costs to the private adult social care sector in (a) Scotland and (b) the rest of the UK. (23231)
- 95 **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of changes made to employer's National Insurance contributions at the Autumn Budget 2024 on bed provision in the private adult social care sector in (a) Scotland and (b) the rest of the UK. (23232)
- 96 **John McDonnell** (Hayes and Harlington): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she plans to discuss the Tonnage Tax scheme with (a) Cabinet colleagues, (b) shipowners and (c) maritime trade unions as part of the current Spending Review. (23116)
- 97 **Michael Payne** (Gedling): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to paragraph 5.149 of the Autumn Budget, whether receipts from right to buy sales (a) are ringfenced for new council housing or (b) can be used for general spending by local authorities. (23201)

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## Questions for Answer on Wednesday 15 January

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Robin Swann** (South Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she had discussions with the Minister of Education in Northern Ireland on Clause 56 of the Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill. (23240)
- 2N **Laurence Turner** (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the average full-time salary was for (a) classroom and (b) all teachers in (i) academies, (ii) free schools, (iii) local authority maintained schools and (iv) all publicly-funded schools in 2023. (23229)
- 3N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to his Department's press release Home upgrade revolution as renters set for warmer homes and cheaper bills, published on 23 September 2024, when he plans to consult on new EPC requirements for the private rented sector. (23154)

- 4N **Pippa Heylings** (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make it his policy to return non-compliance fines for the clean heat market mechanism to the level proposed for 2026 in the document entitled Clean Heat Market Mechanism Consultation: Summary of responses received and government response, published on 30 March 2023. (23190)
- 5N **Pippa Heylings** (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the decision to reduce non-compliance fines in the Clean Heat Market Mechanism on the UK's ability to meet carbon budgets. (23191)
- 6N **Pippa Heylings** (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of reducing non-compliance fines in the Clean Heat Market Mechanism on the uptake of heat pumps. (23192)
- 7N **Robin Swann** (South Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, which Northern Irish companies received funding from the £1.8m for regional cyber skills projects. (23241)
- 8N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the use of (a) e-scooters and (b) e-bikes on pavements on pedestrians. (23171)
- 9N **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether she plans to publish a summary of findings from the call for evidence on fit note reform. (23159)
- 10N **Dr Danny Chambers** (Winchester): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he plans to take to tackle the shortage of social care packages in (a) Royal Hampshire County Hospital and (b) Winchester. (23237)
- 11N **Dr Danny Chambers** (Winchester): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the cost of agency staff employed by Royal Hampshire County Hospital was in the last 12 months. (23238)
- 12N **Dr Danny Chambers** (Winchester): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the average wait time in the Royal Hampshire County Hospital's Accident and Emergency department was between December 2024 and January 2025. (23239)
- 13N **Mr Paul Foster** (South Ribble): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, which hospices (a) have all medication supplied (i) for free and (ii) at a discounted rate and (b) do not have medication supplied by the NHS. (23188)
- 14N **Mr Paul Foster** (South Ribble): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of requiring the NHS to pay for all medications supplied to hospices. (23189)

- 15N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether (a) Ministers and (b) officials in his Department have had meetings with representatives of the British Society for Genetic Medicine in the last 30 years. (23180)
- 16N **Sarah Owen** (Luton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to reduce waiting times for autism diagnoses. (23176)
- 17N **Colum Eastwood** (Foyle): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with his Israeli counterpart on attacks on (a) international aid agencies and (b) their (i) facilities and (ii) staff in northern Gaza. (23183)
- 18N **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what estimate he has made of the number of UK nationals in countries bordering the Red Sea. (23137)
- 19N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 18 November 2024 to Question 14029 on British Nationality (Irish Citizens) Act 2024, when the operational changes to implement the new route will be completed. (23129)
- 20N **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many (a) workers and (b) temporary workers each of the sponsors on the register of licensed sponsors sponsored in each year for which data is available. (23166)
- 21N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 9 January 2025 to Question 21024 on Migrants: Detainees, if she will specify whether each Brook House Inquiry recommendation has been (a) accepted, (b) partially accepted, (c) rejected; which are (i) open and (ii) closed; and the date of closure for each closed recommendation. (23170)
- 22N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 3 December to Question 16717 on Armed Forces: Cadets, what external organisations other than (a) existing cadets and (b) adult volunteers he is consulting to help expand numbers. (23128)
- 23N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what proportion of the UK's contribution to the cost of Chagos settlement will be funded from his Department's budget. (23155)
- 24N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many meetings he has held with the incoming US administration on the terms of the Diego Garcia military base as part of the Chagos settlement. (23156)



- 25N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what recent assessment she has made of the potential merits of routinely publishing disaggregated data for Wales. (23158)
- 26N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what recent discussions he has had with relevant stakeholders on the cost of developing Casement Park. (23127)
- 27N **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what actions is her Department taking to mitigate the rise in employer NI contributions on the homelessness charities. (23181)
- 28N **John McDonnell** (Hayes and Harlington): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the update to Non-structural tax relief statistics, published on 5 December 2024, if she will provide an annual breakdown of the relief from Corporation Tax received by qualifying shipowners in the Tonnage Tax between 2000-01 and 2023-24; and if she will make an estimate of Corporation Tax relief from Tonnage Tax in the 2024-25 tax year. (23115)
- 29N **Samantha Niblett** (South Derbyshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she plans to extend the assurances provided on funding for the increase in employer National Insurance costs to NHS Trusts to general practice. (23205)
- 30N **Claire Coutinho** (East Surrey): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, if she will direct her Department to share all submissions received for the call for input on single-sex spaces with the Equality and Human Rights Commission. (23178)

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## Questions for Answer on Thursday 16 January

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Natalie Fleet** (Bolsover): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate she has made of when the review into the proposed North Derbyshire University Academy free school project in Bolsover will be completed. (23186)
- 2N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to make dentistry more affordable. (23160)
- 3N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of increasing the regulation of private dental charges. (23161)
- 4N **Calum Miller** (Bicester and Woodstock): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of revising sentencing guidelines to protect the right to protest. (23244)



## Questions for Answer on Friday 17 January

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, pursuant to the Answer of 20 December 2024 to Question 20261 on Rugby, if she will have further discussions with (a) the Rugby Football Union and (b) Premiership Rugby on (i) current governance issues and (ii) securing necessary partnerships to ensure the long-term stability of the game, in the context of the Rugby Football Union's rejection of a Special General Meeting about the future of the game and rugby governance. (23177)