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Questions tabled on Friday 7 February 2025

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Questions for Answer on Monday 10 February

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many people not in education, employment or training there are in (a) the UK, (b) Leicestershire and (c) Mid Leicestershire constituency. [Transferred] (29679)
- 2 **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will make an estimate of the number and proportion of migrants who arrived in the UK in the last five years who are not in education, employment or training in (a) the UK, (b) Leicestershire and (c) Mid Leicestershire constituency. [Transferred] (29680)
- 3 **Bradley Thomas** (Bromsgrove): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what plans her Department has to increase youth services provision in Bromsgrove constituency. [Transferred] (29793)
- 4 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he is taking to provide (a) schools and (b) parents with guidance to protect young people from harmful content on social media platforms. [Transferred] (29401)
- 5 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps he is taking to help mitigate the potential impact of spray foam insulation previously deemed fit for purpose but later surveyed as inadequate. [Transferred] (29262)
- 6 **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 14 January 2025 to Question 21168 on Amazonia: Rainforests, if he will provide a breakdown of the funding to the Andes-Amazon Biodiverse Landscape Fund. [Transferred] (28943)

- 7 **Dr Roz Savage** (South Cotswolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of restructuring Thames Water as a Community Interest Company. [Transferred] (29734)
- 8 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to monitor companies responsibilities and duties to the environment. [Transferred] (29780)
- 9 **Dr Scott Arthur** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps the Government is taking to support the development of Electric Vertical Take-Off and Landing vehicles. [Transferred] (29314)
- 10 **Dr Scott Arthur** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps the Government is taking to support the development of Electric/hydrogen Regional Air Mobility. [Transferred] (29315)
- 11 **Alex Ballinger** (Halesowen): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of mandatory training for (a) psychiatrists, (b) psychiatric nurses and (c) social workers on legal obligations under section 117 of the Mental Health Act 1983. [Transferred] (29711)
- 12 **Carla Denyer** (Bristol Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 5 February 2025 to Question 902576 on Employment: Asylum, what the gender balance of dependents of asylum seekers is; what assessment she has made of the impact of the rules that do not allow those dependants to work on the Government's (a) aim to deliver an asylum process that is gender sensitive and (b) wider strategy to tackle violence against women and girls. [Transferred] (29663)
- 13 **Tim Roca** (Macclesfield): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of a visa scheme for Palestinians. [Transferred] (29239)
- 14 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of recent increases in the cost of Electronic Travel Authorisations on future trends in economic growth over the next five years. [Transferred] (29187)
- 15 **Bradley Thomas** (Bromsgrove): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what estimate his Department has made of the number of people who will use a digital veteran card. [Transferred] (29135)
- 16N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she has made an assessment of the inclusion of measures of deprivation as part of funding reform for local government. [Transferred] (29102)

- 17 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will appoint a Minister for Coastal Communities. [Transferred] (29245)
- 18 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she plans to take to tackle youth homelessness in Devon. [Transferred] (29791)
- 19 **Perran Moon** (Camborne and Redruth): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of re-allocating a proportion of the National Wealth Fund for a new mineral exploration fund. [Transferred] (29831)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 11 February

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Chris Bloore** (Redditch): To ask the Solicitor General, what steps she is taking with Cabinet colleagues to tackle stalking. (29937)
- 2 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what assessment the Government has made of the potential merits of reviewing the Roman Catholic Relief Act 1829 in relation to the provisions around the appointment of bishops within the Church of England. (29898)
- 3 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will initiate a programme of insourcing of facilities and maintenance services in government departments. (29887)
- 4 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps he is taking to tackle (a) insecure work and (b) level of pay for workers employed in outsourced services in government departments. (29888)
- 5 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps his Department is taking to review the effectiveness of meeting contractual requirements in outsourced services provided to government departments. (29889)
- 6 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps his Department plans to take to enable the government to break with outsourced government contracts in the case where the desired outcomes are not delivered. (29890)

- 7 **Rachel Blake** (Cities of London and Westminster): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 11 November 2024 to Question 12343 on Foreign Companies: Property, when he plans to publish his response to the consultation. (30021)
- 8N **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of (a) the adequacy of uptake of Shared Parental Leave and (b) how this will inform future policies to support fathers in taking early parental leave. [Transferred] (29867)
- 9 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of trends in the turnover of private parking companies who have a profit model based on parking charge notices given. (29983)
- 10 **Chris Bloore** (Redditch): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department has made an assessment of the contribution of football clubs to local economies. (29936)
- 11 **Mary Glendon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether it is her policy that only charities accredited by the Gambling Commission will be eligible for funding under the statutory levy for gambling research, prevention and treatment of gambling harms; and whether organisations involved in gambling lobbying will be excluded. (29900)
- 12 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of extending free school meal provision to include children enrolled in maintained nursery schools. (29913)
- 13 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, for what purposes Ofsted has used artificial intelligence in the last 12 months. (29881)
- 14 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, for what purposes the Education and Skills Funding Agency has used artificial intelligence in the last 12 months. (29882)
- 15 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to ensure parents have (a) access to upcoming educational materials from outside providers and (b) a mechanism to oppose the use of materials they do not want their children to be exposed to. (29972)
- 16 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to ensure parents have (a) access to upcoming internally-prepared educational materials and (b) a mechanism to oppose the use of internally-prepared materials they do not want their children to be exposed to. (29985)

- 17 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what criteria will be used by regional improvement for standards and excellence teams to identify the schools it will be engaging with to deliver improvement in standards. (29891)
- 18 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what additional funding will be made available for the schools supported by a regional improvement for standards and excellence team. (29892)
- 19 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many schools she plans for each regional improvement for standards and excellence team to support in (a) the North East and (b) each region, per year. (29893)
- 20 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she plans to increase funding for wraparound care. (29929)
- 21 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds Central and Headingley): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if her Department will renew the Adoption and special guardianship support fund for 2025. (29921)
- 22 **Will Stone** (Swindon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what (a) progress she has made and (b) steps she plans to take with the Secretary of State for Transport on the HGV skills bootcamp programme. (29924)
- 23 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, for what purposes the UK Atomic Energy Authority has used artificial intelligence in the last 12 months. (29876)
- 24 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of including (a) the Cane Corso and (b) crossbreeds between a Cane Corso and a Rottweiler under S.1 of the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991. (29932)
- 25 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, for what purposes the Animal and Plant Health Agency has used artificial intelligence in the last 12 months. (29877)
- 26 **Alison Hume** (Scarborough and Whitby): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department plans to introduce mandatory labelling of food products. (29989)
- 27 **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment her Department has made of the impact of Small Modular Reactors on water security. (29907)

- 28 **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department plans to take to monitor and report on water usage by Small Modular Reactors. (29908)
- 29 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions his Department has had with local authorities on the inheritance tax changes to agricultural land and property. (29973)
- 30 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions his Department has had with supermarkets on the inheritance tax changes to agricultural land and property. (29974)
- 31 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to reintroduce capital grant schemes for farmers. (29975)
- 32 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on future trade deals relevant to the (a) food and (b) agriculture sectors. (29977)
- 33 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has had discussions with the Office for Budget Responsibility on the inheritance tax changes to agricultural land and property made at the Autumn Budget 2024. (30017)
- 34 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether (a) he, (b) his officials and (c) his special advisors have had meetings with the animal rights group Animal Rising. (30018)
- 35 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions he has had with the Environment Agency on the NaFRA2 flood zone data. (29952)
- 36 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he reviewed the NaFRA2 flood zone data on surface water flooding before it was published. (29953)
- 37 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the Environment Agency's guidance entitled New national flood and coastal erosion risk information, updated on 28 January 2025, whether he has made a comparative assessment between (a) that data on surface water flooding and (b) insurance claims for flooding in 2024-25. (29954)
- 38 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the Environment Agency's guidance entitled New national flood and coastal erosion risk information, updated on 28 January 2025, whether he has made a comparative assessment between (a) that data on surface water flooding and (b) flooded properties in 2024-25. (29955)

- 39 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy the Environment Agency's guidance entitled New national flood and coastal erosion risk information, updated on 28 January 2025, in the context of flood risk in Bedfordshire. (29956)
- 40 **Bradley Thomas** (Bromsgrove): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential (a) merits of the mandatory displaying of waste licence numbers on advertisements for waste disposal and (b) impact of doing so on the level of illegal disposal of waste. (29938)
- 41 **Bradley Thomas** (Bromsgrove): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of criminal sanctions for fly tipping. (29939)
- 42 **Bradley Thomas** (Bromsgrove): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many successful prosecutions for (a) fly tipping and (b) environmental crime there were in 2024 in Bromsgrove constituency, by category. (29945)
- 43 **Bradley Thomas** (Bromsgrove): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of changes to agricultural property relief on the domestic dairy farming industry. (29959)
- 44 **Bradley Thomas** (Bromsgrove): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the Soft Drinks Industry Levy on the dairy industry. (29960)
- 45 **Bradley Thomas** (Bromsgrove): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on rural entrepreneurship. (29992)
- 46 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, for what purposes the Vehicle Certification Agency has used artificial intelligence in the last 12 months. (29873)
- 47 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, for what purposes Active Travel England has used artificial intelligence in the last 12 months. (29879)
- 48 **James MacCleary** (Lewes): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of requiring all drivers to complete a DVLA eye test. (30025)
- 49 **Brian Mathew** (Melksham and Devizes): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate she has made of the cost of the proposed local Thames Crossing funded as a private finance initiative. (29976)

- 50 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions her Department has had with Essex County Council on achieving its Vision Zero target by 2040; and whether she plans to make additional funding available for local casualty reduction schemes. (30003)
- 51 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of the time taken to allocate Local Highways Panel funding for the 2025-26 financial year on road safety improvements in Essex. (30004)
- 52 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what plans her Department has to increase levels of funding for casualty reduction schemes. (30005)
- 53 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if her Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing additional ring-fenced funding for road safety improvements in Essex. (30006)
- 54 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will launch a pilot scheme with local authorities on increasing the level of Vehicle Excise Duty retained by such authorities to be directly allocated to local road maintenance. (30008)
- 55 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of increasing the level of Vehicle Excise Duty retained by local authorities to be directly allocated to local road maintenance. (30009)
- 56 **Luke Myer** (Middlesbrough South and East Cleveland): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to ensure the revenue certainty mechanism equally prioritises greenhouse gas reductions and fuel production volume. (29990)
- 57 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will hold discussions with the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency on the potential implications for their policy on the provision of data to private parking companies of trends in the number of faulty private parking machines. (29978)
- 58 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, for what purposes the Pension Protection Fund has used artificial intelligence in the last 12 months. (29875)
- 59 **Danny Kruger** (East Wiltshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether she plans to accelerate the rollout of Universal Credit. (29905)
- 60 **Danny Kruger** (East Wiltshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of abolishing the Work Capability Assessment. (29906)

- 61 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to support pensioners with (a) the cost of household bills and (b) food insecurity. (30013)
- 62 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an assessment of the potential implications for her policies of the proportion of families who received state support in the 2022-23 financial year.. (30015)
- 63 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the reasons behind the increase in food bank usage, as reported in the Family Resources Survey 2022-23. (30016)
- 64 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 27 January 2025 50 Question 22715 on Medical Certificates: Public Consultation, whether she plans to launch the fit note trailblazers. (29912)
- 65 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 18 December 2024 to Question 19779 on Health Professions: Regulation, what his timetable is for announcing his priorities in relation to the applicability of the five year rule by professional regulators on fitness to practise in cases which involve allegations of historic sexual abuse. (29926)
- 66 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the expected timeline is for Baroness Casey's Commission into Adult Social Care, including the dates for evidence submission. (29991)
- 67 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, for what purposes the NHS Business Services Authority has used artificial intelligence in the last 12 months. (29872)
- 68 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment has he made of the adequacy of NHS support for people with liver disease in Lincolnshire. (29885)
- 69 **Alison Hume** (Scarborough and Whitby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of endometriosis services in the North East. (29947)
- 70 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve end-of-life care in the community. (30024)
- 71 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, for what purpose his Department has provided funding from the critical infrastructure risk fund to Stepping Hill Hospital. (29934)

- 72 **Bradley Thomas** (Bromsgrove): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of AI on (a) hospital waiting times and (b) the number of missed appointments. (29944)
- 73 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much funding has been allocated to each integrated care board in England to provide for child and adolescent mental services for the next financial year. (29918)
- 74 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to Answer of 6 February 2025 to Question 27260 on Gaza: Energy and Water Supply, if he will request that the funding supplied to the World Bank for the construction and restoration of critical energy and waste infrastructure in Gaza will be tendered to Gaza-owned construction companies. (29899)
- 75 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much of British International Investment's new investments were counted as international climate finance in the last financial year. (29930)
- 76 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much and what proportion of British International Investment's new investments were 2X qualified in the last financial year; and what proportion of those had (a) 51% women ownership or founded by woman, (b) 30% women in senior leadership, (c) 30-50% women in workforce, (d) product/service disproportionately benefits women and (e) 30% of DFI loan proceeds or portfolio companies meet 2X criteria. (29931)
- 77 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing legislative proposals to ensure that every line of foreign aid spending must be approved by Parliament. (29961)
- 78 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had recent discussions with his Nigerian counterpart on the risk of famine in (a) north west and (b) north east Nigeria. (29941)
- 79 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of the use of sexual violence by extremist groups in the north east and north west of Nigeria. (29942)
- 80 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he plans to provide support to Georgian democrats who were arrested by their government and have lost legal defence funding following the funding freeze by USAID. (29943)

- 81 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, which initiatives have been supported by the £216 million funding to Ethiopia through the Official Development Assistance Programme in 2024-25. (30010)
- 82 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what proportion of the £236.75 million allocated to Ukraine in the Official Development Assistance Programme was designated for (a) humanitarian aid and (b) economic development projects in 2024-25. (30011)
- 83 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with partners in the Global South to help ensure that Official Development Assistance spending aligns with their development priorities. (30012)
- 84 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has made representations to his US counterpart on the Government's rejection of the US President's proposal for the resettlement of Palestinians in Gaza. (29935)
- 85 **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many legal migrants have come to the UK since 5 July 2024; and from which countries. (30026)
- 86 **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many illegal migrants have been deported since 5 July 2024. (30027)
- 87 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the average cost of each deportation is, broken down by expense. (29962)
- 88 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the total amount of deportations to Pakistan is under the UK-Pakistan Prisoner Transfer Agreement. (29963)
- 89 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will publish a breakdown of immigration enforcement visits by local authorities in 2024. (29965)
- 90 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the average number of people (a) detained, (b) prosecuted and (c) deported per immigration enforcement visit was in 2024. (29966)
- 91 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many trained immigration enforcement officers there are. (29967)
- 92 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the average salary is of immigration enforcement officers. (29968)

- 93 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many diversity, equality or inclusions officers work in immigration enforcement. (29969)
- 94 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many dedicated immigration enforcement teams there are. (29971)
- 95 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the section entitled Roles and responsibilities on the About Us webpage for Immigration Enforcement, what options are presented to illegal migrants during face-to-face meaningful conversations. (29986)
- 96 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of detained illegal migrants were deported in 2024. (29987)
- 97 **Bradley Thomas** (Bromsgrove): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential implications for her policies of street racing on the A435 at Wythall; and what steps her Department plans to take to help increase prosecutions for these offences. (29940)
- 98 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to implement recommendation 58 of the report by the Law Commission entitled Home ownership: exercising the right to manage, published on 21 July 2020. (29904)
- 99 **Rachel Blake** (Cities of London and Westminster): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the efficacy of the multi-disciplinary team system within the Building Safety Regulator. (30022)
- 100 **Rachel Blake** (Cities of London and Westminster): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what estimate her Department has made of when the Building Safety Regulator will be determining 50% of its judgments within its statutory 12-week target. (30023)
- 101 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to her oral statement of 5 February 2025, Official Report, Column 767, if she will place a copy of the (a) legal invitation to all 21 two-tier areas and (b) associated letters (i) in the House of Commons Library and (ii) on gov.uk. (29901)
- 102 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to her oral statement of 5 February 2025 entitled English Devolution and Local Government, Official Report, column 767, if she (a) plans to legislate to direct local government restructuring in areas where principal authorities do not submit a request to restructure or (b) will consent to the decision not to submit a request. (29927)

- 103 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many 16 year olds have photographic identification recognised under the Elections Act 2022. (29928)
- 104 **Brian Mathew** (Melksham and Devizes): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to ensure the continuation of Mandatory Biodiversity Net Gain for new developments. (29970)
- 105 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department has had discussions with local authorities on the potential implications for their policies of the inheritance tax changes to agricultural land and property made at the Autumn Budget 2024. (30019)
- 106 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, when the New Towns Taskforce will publish a list of potential new towns. (29948)
- 107 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if her Department will make an estimate of the number of houses built in areas highlighted the NaFRA2 flood zone data as having a high (a) current and (b) future likelihood of surface water flooding in Bedfordshire in the past ten years. (29949)
- 108 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if her Department will make an estimate of the number of current planning permissions granted in areas highlighted in the NaFRA2 flood zone data as having a high (a) current and (b) future likelihood of surface water flooding in Bedfordshire. (29950)
- 109 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if her Department will make an estimate of the number of houses in Local Plan sites highlighted in the NaFRA2 flood zone data as having a high (a) current and (b) future likelihood of surface water flooding in Bedfordshire. (29951)
- 110 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the potential implications for her policies of reports of a recent increase in profit for private parking companies. (29979)
- 111 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of trends in the level of fines from the private parking regulator. (29980)
- 112 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of the Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 on trends in the number of private car parking sites. (29981)

- 113 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of the Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 on trends in the turnover of private car parking companies. (29982)
- 114 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if her Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of regulating private parking charge notices to help ensure they are not confused with fines issued by official bodies. (29984)
- 115 **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many non-hate crime incidents have been recorded in (a) the United Kingdom, (b) Leicestershire and (c) Mid Leicestershire constituency since 5 July 2004. (30028)
- 116 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 28 January 2025 to Question 24854 on Sexual Offences: Crown Court, how many people have applied to the one-year pilot scheme. (29894)
- 117 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 28 January 2025 to Question 24854 on Sexual Offences: Crown Court, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of displaying information of the one-year pilot scheme in courts. (29895)
- 118 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 28 January 2025 to Question 24854 on Sexual Offences: Crown Court, whether judges have been informed of the one-year pilot scheme. (29896)
- 119 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the average daily cost is of electronic tagging. (29964)
- 120 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, for what purposes National Savings and Investments has used artificial intelligence in the last 12 months. (29874)
- 121 **Liz Jarvis** (Eastleigh): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she plans to extend the Stamp Duty Land Tax holiday for first-time buyers who sign a memorandum of sale before 31 March 2025. (29993)
- 122 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate she has made of the proportion of Vehicle Excise Duty revenue (a) raised in and (b) allocated to maintain roads in Essex; and if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of increasing that proportion. (30007)
- 123 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of increasing the tax relief ceiling on private pensions. (30014)

- 124 **Joy Morrissey** (Beaconsfield): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether her Department has made an estimate of the number of family businesses that may be required to (a) sell and (b) downsize as a result of the reduction in Business Property Relief; and what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the behavioural responses on the public finances. (29933)
- 125 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if her Department will make an assessment of the adequacy of rules on access to (a) cash and (b) banking services in new towns. (29957)
- 126 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many people were in receipt of (a) Statutory Maternity Pay, (b) Statutory Paternity Pay, (c) Statutory Adoption Pay and (d) Statutory Shared Parental Pay in the (i) 2019-20 (ii) 2020-21 (iii) 2021-22 and (iv) 2022-23 financial year. (29915)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 12 February

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Jamie Stone** (Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help SMEs adopt digital technology. [Transferred] (902713)
- 2N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether people can import polystyrene cups into the UK. (29897)
- 3N **Jerome Mayhew** (Broadland and Fakenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what his policy is on aligning gene-editing legislation with that of the European Union. (29919)
- 4N **Jerome Mayhew** (Broadland and Fakenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has had recent discussions with his EU counterparts on UK legislation on gene-editing. (29920)
- 5N **Sir Desmond Swayne** (New Forest West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to support the development of new agricultural technologies. [Transferred] (902725)
- 6N **Jayne Kirkham** (Truro and Falmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether the HSE plans to expedite its assessment of the European Chemicals Agency Risk Assessment Committee proposal to reclassify lithium salts as Category A reproductive toxicants. (29998)

- 7N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Epping Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the NICE process on the wider societal cost of dementia when appraising new dementia treatments. (29909)
- 8N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Epping Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help improve capacity in dementia diagnostics to facilitate access to new dementia treatments. (29910)
- 9N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Epping Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how his Department plans to (a) increase the number of scanners available for dementia diagnosis and (b) reduce diagnosis times for patients. (29911)
- 10N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when the 2025-26 Public Health Grant allocations will be published. (29914)
- 11N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to ensure that future announcements on provisional local government finance settlements and public health grants to local authorities are published within a week of each other. (29916)
- 12N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he is having with the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government on improving the coordination of (a) the Local Government Finance Settlement and (b) Public Health Grant allocations. (29917)
- 13N **Dr Simon Opher** (Stroud): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what information his Department holds on the average body mass index of pregnant women in the (a) most recent period for which data is available and (b) five years before the most recent period for which data is available. (29922)
- 14N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the International Telecommunication Union has legal authority over the allocation of (a) military and (b) civilian spectrums. (29878)
- 15N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the International Telecommunication Union has ever challenged the use of civilian spectrum by the (a) UK and (b) US. (29880)
- 16N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the influence of China within (a) the International Telecommunication Union, (b) the Third Generation Partnership Project and (c) other international telecommunications standards-setting bodies on (i) UK national security and (ii) the five eyes intelligence alliance. (29883)

- 17N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the International Telecommunication Union has ever challenged the use of military spectrum by the (a) UK and (b) US. (29884)
- 18N **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Stamford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what his Department's policy is on Members of Parliament holding surgeries for armed forces personnel in military barracks. (29902)
- 19N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will take steps to ensure the provision of adequate funding for demand-led local government services in the next spending review. [Transferred] (29473)
- 20N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether she has had recent discussions with the Secretary of State for Justice on the potential merits of banning first cousin marriage. [Transferred] (29556)
- 21N **Laurence Turner** (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 08 July 2019 to Question 261492, on Criminal Injuries Compensation, if she will publish the same information for each year since 2017-18. (29946)
- 22N **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South and Mid Down): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 6 February 2025 to Question 27961 on Cycle to Work Scheme and the Answer of 21 November 2024 to Question 14753 on the Cycle to Work Scheme: Low Incomes, whether her Department plans to consult with the Department for Infrastructure in Northern Ireland during its evaluation of the cycle to work scheme. (29923)
- 23N **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South and Mid Down): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will list all Barnett consequentialists that her Department plans to allocate to the Northern Ireland Executive that include additional funding to reflect the public sector cost of increased Employer NIC contributions. (29925)
- 24N **Mike Martin** (Tunbridge Wells): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make it her policy to amend the definition of relevant carer in Section 23A of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 to include individuals unable to apply for Child Benefit due to (a) extenuating circumstances and (b) domestic abuse. [Transferred] (29797)
- 25N **Mike Martin** (Tunbridge Wells): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps her Department is taking to support parents and carers who are survivors of domestic abuse that caused them to be unable to claim Child Benefit and National Insurance credits; and if she will take steps to support them. [Transferred] (29798)

Questions for Answer on Thursday 13 February

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Luke Myer** (Middlesbrough South and East Cleveland): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what plans his Department has for the construction of Small Modular Reactors (SMRs) in Teesside. (29988)
- 2N **Josh Newbury** (Cannock Chase): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the planned increase in meat inspection charges by the Food Standards Agency on smaller abattoirs. (29903)
- 3N **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what discussions she has had with the Secretary of State for Home Affairs on tackling financial crime in relation to the Public Authorities (Fraud, Error and Recovery) Bill. (30001)
- 4N **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what discussions she has had with the National Crime Agency on tackling financial crime in relation to the Public Authorities (Fraud, Error and Recovery) Bill. (30002)
- 5N **David Reed** (Exmouth and Exeter East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 4 February 2025 to Question 27042 on UNRWA: Finance, what mechanisms are in place to ensure that UK funding to UNRWA is not used (a) directly or (b) indirectly to support Hamas activities; and what assessment he has made of UNRWA's compliance with these safeguards. (29999)
- 6N **David Reed** (Exmouth and Exeter East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 3 February 2025 to Question 27041 on Palestinians: Schools, what the timeline is for the full implementation of the recommendations of the Colonna report on the neutrality of educational materials in UNRWA-run schools in (a) Gaza and (b) the West Bank; and whether he has had discussions with UNRWA on replacing the current curriculum. (30000)
- 7N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of holiday lets on the affordability of rents; and if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of giving councils greater licensing powers to regulate the (a) number and (b) use of holiday lets. (29886)
- 8N **Noah Law** (St Austell and Newquay): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps she is taking to ensure that banks are applying (a) Know Your Customer and (b) other compliance checks transparently for humanitarian charities operating in vulnerable countries. (30020)

Questions for Answer on Monday 24 February

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Michael Wheeler** (Worsley and Eccles): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many GP practices there (a) are and (b) were in 2010 in Worsley and Eccles constituency. (29958)
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Questions for Answer on Tuesday 25 February

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Steve Witherden** (Montgomeryshire and Glyndŵr): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to ensure (a) awareness and (b) compliance with Rule 215 of The Highway Code. (29997)
- 2N **Steve Witherden** (Montgomeryshire and Glyndŵr): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of increasing firearms license fees on (a) farmers and (b) rural communities. (29994)
- 3N **Steve Witherden** (Montgomeryshire and Glyndŵr): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether the money raised from increasing firearms license fees will be spent on improving the appraisal process. (29995)
- 4N **Steve Witherden** (Montgomeryshire and Glyndŵr): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, for what reason her Department increased firearms license fees for option (a) one, (b) two and (c) three. (29996)