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Questions tabled on Thursday 27 February 2025

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- T Indicates a topical oral question. Members are selected by ballot to ask a Topical Question.
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- [R] Indicates that a relevant interest has been declared.
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Questions for Answer on Monday 3 March

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he has received a request from Stonewall for additional government funding. (34319)
- 2 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 10 February 2025 to Question 29217 on Prime Minister: Aviation, what the cost of domestic air travel by the Prime Minister is since 4 July 2024. (34453)
- 3 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 13 February 2025 to Question 29022 on Ministers: Aviation, whether the Prime Minister's (a) RAF and (b) charter flights other than GBNI are carbon offset. (34454)
- 4 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what his policy is on releasing details of ministerial meetings with external organisations in response to (a) Parliamentary Questions and (b) the Freedom of Information Act 2000. (34455)
- 5 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many times the Cabinet Office's Information Rights User Group (IRUG) has met since 5 July 2024; if he will publish minutes of the IRUG's meetings; when the IRUG's next meeting is; and whether a Cabinet Office Minister will attend the next meeting. (34456)

- 6 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, which government departments and agencies are responsible for (a) civil contingency planning, (b) warning and (c) mitigation in relation to (i) Near-Earth Objects and (ii) space debris. (34457)
- 7 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to page 9 of his Department's publication entitled Security and Intelligence Agencies Financial Statement 2023-24 published on 2 December 2024, what specific weaknesses in risk management and internal control the Principal Accounting Officer identified; and what corrective action has since been taken. (34458)
- 8 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 14 January 2025 to Question HL3879 on Ministers' Private Offices: Official Cars, what criteria his Department uses to determine whether departmental officials may have use of a car from the Government Car Service. (34459)
- 9 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 21 October 2024 to Question 8434 on Prime Minister: Aviation, if he will publish the percentage of sustainable aviation fuel used for each of the Prime Minister's last 10 domestic flights. (34460)
- 10 **Sir Oliver Dowden** (Hertsmere): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many people are currently employed in the hair and beauty sector. [Transferred] (33925)
- 11 **Sir Oliver Dowden** (Hertsmere): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many apprentices are working in the hair and beauty sector. [Transferred] (33926)
- 12 **Max Wilkinson** (Cheltenham): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the Prime Minister's oral contribution of 25 February 2025, Official Report, column 634, if he will make an assessment of the potential contribution of (a) GCHQ and (b) the Golden Valley Development in Cheltenham to the UK's (i) intelligence services and (ii) cyber security expertise and capabilities as part of the upcoming national security strategy. [Transferred] (34014)
- 13 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to help improve the representation of women in senior leadership positions within large (a) public and (b) private companies. [Transferred] (34112)
- 14 **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make it his policy to reject investor-state dispute settlement mechanisms in future trade deals with Colombia. (34334)
- 15 **Sir Oliver Dowden** (Hertsmere): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he has made an assessment with the Chancellor of the Exchequer and HMRC of the number of people currently practicing in the hair and beauty sector using disguised employment practices. (34575)

- 16 **Charlie Maynard** (Witney): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he plans to seek UK accession to the World Trade Organization Multi-Party Interim Appeal Arbitration Arrangement. (34548)
- 17 **Charlie Maynard** (Witney): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of introducing a Food Production Relief Scheme to provide targeted relief on (a) energy costs and (b) business rates for essential food producers. (34553)
- 18 **Charlie Maynard** (Witney): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to support food manufacturing sites with (a) energy costs and (b) business rates. (34554)
- 19 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central and West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent discussions he has had with the lithium (a) extraction and (b) processing industry. [Transferred] (33874)
- 20 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central and West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to support the domestic critical minerals industry. [Transferred] (33875)
- 21 **Jo Platt** (Leigh and Atherton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to the Department of Culture, Media and Sport's consultation on the implementation of the new subscription contract regime under the Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Act 2024, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of proposals on cooling-off rights on the (a) film and (b) television sectors. (34307)
- 22 **Shivani Raja** (Leicester East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to protect consumers from fraudulent business practices. (34340)
- 23 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether his Department has plans to ban imports from third country refineries that process Russian crude oil. (34420)
- 24 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether his Department has plans to ban the importation of oil products produced from Russian crude oil. (34421)
- 25 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether his Department has plans to ban UK firms from insuring supplies and products to and from Russia. (34422)
- 26 **Ms Polly Billington** (East Thanet): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what the (a) process and (b) criteria is for the selection of young future hubs. (34426)

- 27 **Ms Polly Billington** (East Thanet): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what her planned timeline is for the introduction of young future hubs. (34427)
- 28 **Chris Bloore** (Redditch): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether the Football Governance Code will stipulate requirements for independent directors to be included in a club's governance structure. (34404)
- 29 **Chris Bloore** (Redditch): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what support her Department plans to provide to football clubs to (a) embed improved governance and (b) meet the requirements of the independent football regulator. (34405)
- 30 **Jonathan Davies** (Mid Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure successful partnerships between civic museums and industry to address the skills gap. (34494)
- 31 **Jonathan Davies** (Mid Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to support rural (a) museum and (b) arts and music venues in (i) Mid Derbyshire constituency and (ii) the East Midlands. (34495)
- 32 **Jonathan Davies** (Mid Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to ensure the museum sector contributes to her Department's tourism-related objectives. (34496)
- 33 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, pursuant to the Answer of 4 February 2025 to Question 26614 on Center for Countering Digital Hate, what the methodology is used to check whether (a) direct or (b) indirect funding has been provided previously, including by predecessor departments. (34451)
- 34 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, pursuant to the Answer of 13 February 2025 to Question 29620 on DCMS: Flags, what flags other than the Union flag and the Ukraine flag, have been flown to date in 2024-25; and on what dates. (34452)
- 35 **Daniel Francis** (Bexleyheath and Crayford): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what plans her Department has to include local communities in (a) VE and (b) VJ Day commemorations. (34465)
- 36 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will provide a breakdown of costs relating to her Department's podcast entitled First Draft. (34437)
- 37 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to support greyhound racing in England. (34438)

- 38 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will take steps to ensure that generative AI developers obtain authorisation from copyright holders before using their creative works for training AI models. (34389)
- 39 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a licensing framework to ensure creators are compensated when their works are used in the development of generative AI. (34390)
- 40 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will bring forward legislative proposals to require generative AI developers to (a) document and (b) disclose their use of copyrighted materials. (34391)
- 41 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department plans to introduce a mandatory labelling or watermarking system to identify AI-generated creative content. (34392)
- 42 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that consumers can differentiate between AI-generated and human-created content in creative industries. (34393)
- 43 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment her Department has made of the potential economic impact of Generative AI on employment in the creative industries. (34394)
- 44 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department plans to take steps to support workers in the creative industries whose work opportunities may be potentially impacted by generative AI technologies. (34395)
- 45 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of replicating the EU's Artificial Intelligence Act. (34396)
- 46 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department has had discussions with AI developers on remuneration models for creatives' whose work is used to train AI models. (34397)
- 47 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department has made an assessment of the competitiveness of the UK creative industry. (34398)
- 48 **Jo Platt** (Leigh and Atherton): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, with reference to her Department's consultation on the implementation of the new subscription contract regime under the Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Act 2024, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of proposals on cooling-off rights on the (a) film and (b) television sectors. (34306)

- 49 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, pursuant to the Answer of 25 February 2025 to Question 31587 on Listed Places of Worship Grant Scheme: Lancashire, which places of worship received funding in Fylde constituency; and what the awards were for. (34344)
- 50 **Cameron Thomas** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to promote women's sport in Tewkesbury constituency. (34560)
- 51 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of making the Adoption and Special Guardianship Support Fund permanent. (34488)
- 52 **Jonathan Davies** (Mid Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 15 October 2024 to Question 7546 on Children: Hygiene, what discussions she has had with (a) school leaders and (b) local authorities on the impact of uniform hygiene on children; and what assessment she has made of the potential merits of publishing practical guidance for schools on this matter. (34497)
- 53 **Jonathan Davies** (Mid Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of pupils(a) behaviour and (b) violence on the number of disrupted learning hours to other pupils. (34498)
- 54 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent discussions she has had with Student Finance England on potential accommodations for students who have to pause studies for medical reasons. (34303)
- 55 **Anna Dixon** (Shipley): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department plans to continue the implementation of a new GCSE in Natural History. (34515)
- 56 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department plans to make the Adoption and Special Guardianship Support Fund permanent. (34241)
- 57 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what information her Department holds on the number of school trips made annually, by (a) region (b) mode of transport. (34242)
- 58 **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to provide affordable childcare to parents in (a) work and (b) further education. (34292)
- 59 **Satvir Kaur** (Southampton Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 18 December 2024 to Question 21170 on School Libraries: Finance, what steps she is taking to increase levels of (a) literacy rates and (b) reading for pleasure in (i) primary and (ii) secondary schools in Southampton Test constituency. (34511)

- 60 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many and what proportion of medical school places are occupied by non-UK nationals. (34440)
- 61N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to provide continuity of the Holdiay and Activities Fund after 31 March 2025.
[Transferred] (33930)
- 62N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment has she made of the contribution of the Holidays and Activities Fund (a) nationally and (b) in York.
[Transferred] (33931)
- 63 **Abtisam Mohamed** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether home educating parents will have to update the local authority within 15 days each time there is a change to the arrangements on record. (34429)
- 64 **Abtisam Mohamed** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when draft guidance on the Children Not In School measures in the Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill will be published for consultation. (34430)
- 65 **Abtisam Mohamed** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether the New Burdens Assessment will be completed before the Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill receives Royal Assent. (34431)
- 66 **Abtisam Mohamed** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when the further impact assessments for the Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill will be added to the main bill page. (34432)
- 67 **Abtisam Mohamed** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to her Department's Children Not in School Registers: regulatory impact assessment for the Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill, published on 30 January 2025, for what reason (a) higher and (b) lower numbers of School Attendance Orders would be seen as measures of success for the Children Not In School measures. (34433)
- 68 **Abtisam Mohamed** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to her Department's Children Not in School Registers: regulatory impact assessment for the Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill, if she will publish the statistics on School Attendance Order fines for the last 10 years. (34434)
- 69 **Abtisam Mohamed** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many School Attendance Orders were issued by each local authority in England for each of the last five years. (34435)
- 70 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what is the minimum supervision ratio of adults to children required to run a primary school breakfast club. (34378)

- 71 **Anna Sabine** (Frome and East Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to support teachers' mental health. (34522)
- 72 **Cameron Thomas** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department are taking to increase +-teacher retention rates in rural areas. (34561)
- 73 **Cameron Thomas** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to improve the mental health of teachers. (34562)
- 74 **James Wild** (North West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the effectiveness of fines in tackling levels of attendance at schools. (34331)
- 75 **Ms Polly Billington** (East Thanet): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what lessons his Department has learned from the (a) Warm Front and (b) Warmer Homes Scotland schemes. (34428)
- 76 **Matt Bishop** (Forest of Dean): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps he is taking to (a) help create and (b) support job opportunities in industries that contribute to achieving net zero targets. (34546)
- 77 **Jonathan Davies** (Mid Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of using development hydropower on the sites of established historic watermills. (34499)
- 78 **Jonathan Davies** (Mid Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of a landscape and visual impact scheme in relation to energy infrastructure projects in rural areas. (34500)
- 79 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if his Department will take steps to support the training of heat pump installers through (a) apprenticeships and (b) re-training existing engineers. (34298)
- 80 **Charlie Maynard** (Witney): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of prioritizing sourcing flour for the public sector from certified regenerative farms to help achieve Net Zero by 2050. (34550)
- 81 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what discussions he has had with the Northern Ireland Executive on the proposed energy link between Northern Ireland and Scotland. (34262)
- 82 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the Written Statement of 10 February 2025 HCWS424, whether generation dispatched by the National Energy System Operator from Drax power station will count towards the maximum load factor to receive subsidies. (34337)

- 83 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make a comparative assessment of (a) gas and (b) biofuels for home heating. (34415)
- 84 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make a comparative assessment of taxation on (a) bio fuel and (b) fossil fuels. (34416)
- 85 **Matt Bishop** (Forest of Dean): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department is taking steps to mitigate the potential impact of housebuilding on air quality. (34547)
- 86 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of rights for residents living on houseboats in permanent moorings in the context of the (a) length and (b) security of their tenure. [Transferred] (33907)
- 87 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what information his Department holds on the number of people who live in residential houseboats in permanent moorings in (a) London and (b) England. [Transferred] (33908)
- 88 **David Chadwick** (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what progress he has made on securing an EU-UK veterinary agreement. (34519)
- 89 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of new legislative measures to protect the welfare of farmed fish. (34489)
- 90 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department has considered increasing the trawler by-catch limit for bass. (34338)
- 91 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many full-time-equivalent civil servants are working on trading corporation agreements with the fishing industry. (34339)
- 92 **Jonathan Davies** (Mid Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what proportion of food procured by the public sector in Derbyshire is from British farmers. (34501)
- 93 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhési** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with supermarkets on reducing food waste. (34300)

- 94 **Alex Easton** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to negotiate a veterinary agreement with the European Union to ensure the continued supply of veterinary medicines to Northern Ireland beyond December 2025; and what alternative solutions are being considered to mitigate potential supply chain disruptions. (34508)
- 95 **Charlie Maynard** (Witney): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of sourcing flour for the public sector from certified regenerative farms on achieving Net Zero by 2050. (34549)
- 96 **Charlie Maynard** (Witney): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department plans to take to support farmers to produce more home grown wheat while meeting (a) net zero targets, (b) the targets outlined in the Environment Act 2021 and (c) other environmental commitments. (34551)
- 97 **Charlie Maynard** (Witney): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to reduce UK reliance on imported wheat for milling. (34552)
- 98 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions his Department has had with authorities responsible for local nature recovery strategies on the land use framework consultation. (34222)
- 99 **Shivani Raja** (Leicester East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of expanding consumer choice in the water market for homeowners by offering alternative providers. (34341)
- 100 **Anna Sabine** (Frome and East Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of greater access to the countryside on (a) mental and (b) physical health. (34526)
- 101 **Anna Sabine** (Frome and East Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what plans he has to increase access to the countryside. (34527)
- 102 **Anna Sabine** (Frome and East Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of introducing a right of responsible access to the English countryside. (34528)
- 103 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to help reduce sewage in rivers. (34261)
- 104 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to meet the hon. Member for South Cotswolds to discuss legislative proposals on climate and nature. (34409)

- 105 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if his Department will publish data on consumption emissions. (34413)
- 106 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to meet with campaigners involved with the Climate and Nature Bill. (34414)
- 107 **Kanishka Narayan** (Vale of Glamorgan): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps her Department is taking to improve the UK's ability to (a) attract and (b) retain highly skilled professionals in the (a) AI and (b) life sciences sectors. (34335)
- 108 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions he has had with the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency on the regulatory approval of new approach methodologies. (34369)
- 109 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions his Department has had with the European Medicines Agency regarding the regulatory approval of New Approach Methods. (34370)
- 110 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions his Department has had with the US Food and Drug Administration regarding the regulatory approval of New Approach Methods. (34371)
- 111 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions his Department has had with Swissmedic regarding the regulatory approval of New Approach Methods. (34372)
- 112 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions his Department has had with regulators on supporting the uptake of human-specific technologies to replace the use of animals in the preclinical testing of new medicines. (34233)
- 113 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he has had recent discussions with his international counterparts on working with international regulatory bodies to promote the uptake of human-specific technologies. (34234)
- 114 **Anna Sabine** (Frome and East Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if he will take steps to ensure that parents of deceased children can (a) access and (b) stop (i) direct debits and (ii) standing orders. (34523)
- 115 **Anna Sabine** (Frome and East Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if he will take steps to ensure that parents of deceased children can access bank accounts without probate. (34524)

- 116 **Anna Sabine** (Frome and East Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if he will take steps to ensure that online retailers act on the requests of parents of deceased children regarding online (a) accounts and (b) payments. (34525)
- 117 **Cameron Thomas** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps his Department is taking to ensure schools in rural areas have access to full fibre broadband. (34563)
- 118 **Alison Bennett** (Mid Sussex): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she plans to review offences in the Road Traffic Act 1988 relating to driving under the influence of drinks or drugs. (34516)
- 119 **Mr Luke Charters** (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment she has made of existing health and safety standards on (a) electric vehicles and (b) their batteries. (34470)
- 120 **Anna Dixon** (Shipley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment she has made of (a) the potential implications for her policies of car insurance terms allowing providers to retain up to 90 percent of refunds on cancellation and (b) the potential merits of reforming this practice. (34513)
- 121 **Anna Dixon** (Shipley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to Answer of 23 January 2025 on Question 24557 on the pavement parking consultation, what her planned timeline is for (a) publishing a formal response and (b) announcing next steps for pavement parking policy. (34514)
- 122 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Written Ministerial Statement of 30 July 2024, HCWS49 on Transport Infrastructure, if she will list each of the transport schemes subject to the review of her Department's capital spend portfolio. (34245)
- 123 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Written Ministerial Statement of 30 July 2024, HCWS49 on Transport Infrastructure, when she expects the internal review of her Department's capital spend portfolio to complete its work; and if she will give details of the external expertise brought in. (34246)
- 124 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 12 December 2024 to Question 18360 on Transport: Infrastructure, if she will list the transport projects (a) approved and (b) yet to be approved included in the 150 major infrastructure projects. (34247)
- 125 **Rebecca Paul** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 14 January 2025 to Question 22503 on Roads: Lighting, what information her Department holds on the potential impact of switching off lighting on stretches of (a) motorways and (b) major trunk roads on the frequency of accidents on those roads, listed by each constituency. (34533)

- 126 **Cameron Thomas** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department is taking steps to encourage consumers to purchase second-hand electric vehicles. (34564)
- 127 **Cameron Thomas** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what (a) assessments and (b) consultations her Department undertakes when determining locations for the installation of electric vehicle charging points. (34566)
- 128 **Cameron Thomas** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to increase the number of electric vehicle charging points installed in (a) small towns and (b) rural communities; and whether she plans to take steps to ensure they are evenly distributed beyond major cities. (34567)
- 129 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what progress her Department has made on publishing a road safety strategy. (34418)
- 130 **Siân Berry** (Brighton Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what information her Department holds on the number of American Express retirees in the UK impacted by the lack of statutory inflation protection for pre-1997 defined benefit pensions. (34538)
- 131 **Siân Berry** (Brighton Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 17 January 2025 to Question 22765 on Pensions: Inflation, whether he has had discussions with American Express. (34539)
- 132 **Siân Berry** (Brighton Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 10 February 2025 to Question 28504, whether the Child Poverty Strategy's work on social security reforms will include assessment of the impact of the two-child benefit cap on the commitment to tackle child poverty. (34540)
- 133 **Chris Bloore** (Redditch): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many single parent families are affected by the two-child limit for benefits by the gender of the parent. (34406)
- 134 **Chris Bloore** (Redditch): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether she plans to review the age brackets for Universal Credit. (34407)
- 135 **Chris Bloore** (Redditch): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of the lower rate of Universal Credit for people under 25 years old on those people. (34408)
- 136 **David Chadwick** (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how the Child Poverty Taskforce will interact with the Welsh Government. (34521)

- 137 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesei** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether she has taken steps to increase public awareness of legislation relating to access rights for (a) guide and (b) other assistance dog owners. [Transferred] (33972)
- 138 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the cost to the public purse was of Universal Credit payments made to foreign nationals in 2024. (34439)
- 139 **Mr Angus MacDonald** (Inverness, Skye and West Ross-shire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of extending the eligibility criteria for Personal Independence Payments to include people who have been forced to move abroad due to life-threatening medical conditions. (34574)
- 140 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps he is taking to help ensure that sanitary disposal bins are placed in men's (a) public and (b) workplace toilets. (34350)
- 141 **Alex McIntyre** (Gloucester): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to support (a) parents and (b) single parents to access employment in Gloucester. (34559)
- 142 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how much Pension Credit was paid out in the latest reporting period; and what proportion of this was subject to fraud or error. (34569)
- 143 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the average processing time is for Pension Credit applications; and what the target processing time is for the coming financial year. (34570)
- 144 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department holds data on the percentage change in uptake levels of pension credit between 2024 and 2025. (34260)
- 145 **Dr Lauren Sullivan** (Gravesham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to prevent age discrimination in recruitment. (34510)
- 146 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of providing local authorities longer-term public health funding. (34313)
- 147 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to support local authorities with the impact of changes to employer National Insurance contributions on public health contracts. (34314)
- 148 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many local authorities reported an (a) underspend and (b) overspend on public health grants in the last five financial years. (34316)

- 149 **Mr Calvin Bailey** (Leyton and Wanstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of recent trends in levels of prostate cancer diagnoses; and what steps he plans to take to support (a) equitable access and (b) high-quality treatment strategies for people with prostate cancer. (34336)
- 150 **Alex Brewer** (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of changes to National Insurance employer contributions on hospices in North East Hampshire constituency. [Transferred] (34142)
- 151 **Mr Luke Charters** (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department is aware of supply issues with Felodipine medication; and whether he has had discussions with (a) suppliers and (b) pharmacists to minimise patient impact. (34469)
- 152 **Andrew Cooper** (Mid Cheshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of introducing a national water fluoridation strategy. (34466)
- 153 **Sir Geoffrey Cox** (Torridge and Tavistock): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to his oral statement of 20 January 2025 on New Hospital Programme Review, Official Report, column 750, if his Department will make short-term capital funding available to help ensure the safety of North Devon District Hospital. (34235)
- 154 **Sir Geoffrey Cox** (Torridge and Tavistock): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the new timetable for the redevelopment of North Devon District Hospital on (a) patient outcomes and (b) service capacity. (34236)
- 155 **Sir Geoffrey Cox** (Torridge and Tavistock): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he plans to take to ensure the provision of (a) safe and (b) effective care for patients in Torridge and North Devon, in the context of the new timetable for the redevelopment of North Devon District Hospital. (34237)
- 156 **Jonathan Davies** (Mid Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made an assessment with Cabinet colleagues of the impact of patent lengths on research into treatments for glioblastoma. (34502)
- 157 **Jonathan Davies** (Mid Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of communication systems between GP surgeries and pharmacies. (34503)
- 158 **Jonathan Davies** (Mid Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many prescription prepayment certificates have been issued in (a) England and (b) Mid Derbyshire in the last five years. (34504)

- 159 **Jonathan Davies** (Mid Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many NHS staff are absent from work due to musculoskeletal health issues; and what assessment he has made of the potential merits of fast-tracking treatment for such staff. (34505)
- 160 **Jonathan Davies** (Mid Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what his Department's policy is on supporting NHS trusts to meet their annual sickness absence targets. (34506)
- 161 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of endometriosis services in (a) Slough and (b) Berkshire. (34301)
- 162 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent steps he has taken to reduce endometriosis diagnosis times in (a) Slough and (b) Berkshire. (34302)
- 163 **Pippa Heylings** (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help improve equity of access to CAR-T therapy; and what assessment he has made of the potential merits of making it available as a first-line treatment for eligible leukaemia patients. (34357)
- 164 **Pippa Heylings** (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help improve the level of participation in clinical trials for (a) leukaemia patients diagnosed with acute subtypes and (b) all leukaemia patients. (34358)
- 165 **Pippa Heylings** (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the level of leukaemia cases diagnosed in an emergency setting on (a) patient outcomes and (b) NHS resources. (34359)
- 166 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help raise awareness of cholangiocarcinoma. [R] (34471)
- 167 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to increase the prognosis rate for cholangiocarcinoma. [R] (34472)
- 168 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will hold discussions with NICE on the introduction of comprehensive guidance on the management of cholangiocarcinoma. [R] (34473)
- 169 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to include proposals to (a) improve earlier diagnosis and (b) increase access to treatments of cholangiocarcinoma in the National Cancer Plan. [R] (34474)

- 170 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking with NHS England to help improve (a) early diagnosis rates of and (b) access to treatments for cholangiocarcinoma in the Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and West Berkshire Integrated Care Board area. [R] (34475)
- 171 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to include cholangiocarcinoma in the target group of 75% of cancers diagnosed at stage one or two by 2028. [R] (34476)
- 172 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the level of deprivation on the incidence rate of cholangiocarcinoma. [R] (34477)
- 173 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of potential impact of levels of deprivation on the mortality rate among cholangiocarcinoma patients. [R] (34478)
- 174 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve access to grant funding for cholangiocarcinoma research. [R] (34479)
- 175 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to increase the survival rates of people with (a) intrahepatic and (b) extrahepatic cholangiocarcinoma. [R] (34480)
- 176 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to include policies on rare cancer prognosis in the national cancer plan. [R] (34481)
- 177 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of including a dedicated chapter within the National Cancer Plan on children and young people. [R] (34482)
- 178 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve research into innovative screening methods; and if he will commit to rapidly (a) funding, (b) piloting and (c) implementing screening programmes recommended by the National Screening Committee. [R] (34483)
- 179 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to (a) increase public awareness of the (i) signs and (ii) symptoms of cancer and (b) encourage people to act on them. [R] (34484)
- 180 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to page 11 of Cancer52 and GRAIL's report on improving diagnosis for rare and less common cancers, published in February 2025, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of the finding that 37% of people with rare and less

common cancer say they saw their GP three or more times before they were diagnosed, compared to the national average of 21.7%; and what steps he is taking to reduce disparities in cancer diagnosis. [R] (34485)

181 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of existing cancer stages. [R] (34486)

182 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to ensure that GPs have access to clinical decision support tools for identifying rare or less common cancers. [R] (34487)

183 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the impact of urinary incontinence on men's (a) physical and (b) mental health. (34347)

184 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to increase the provision of sanitary bins in male (a) public and (b) workplace toilets. (34348)

185 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to his Department's press release of 28 November 2024 entitled, Secretary of State commits to first ever men's health strategy, if that strategy will consider male incontinence. (34349)

186 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of (a) information and (b) support available to men living with incontinence. (34351)

187 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the Carr-Hill formula in producing an equitable distribution of funding. (34376)

188 **Mark Sowards** (Leeds South West and Morley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that social care providers are receiving the £600 million pounds allocated for social care in the Autumn Budget 2024. (34446)

189 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps with the Northern Ireland Executive to ensure adequate funding of hospices in Northern Ireland. (34264)

190 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will encourage the adoption of the Mental Wellbeing Impact Assessment toolkit across (a) Government Departments and (b) local authorities. (34342)

- 191 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that prescription charges do not act as a barrier to treatment for people with long-term medical conditions. (34419)
- 192 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the reduction in ODA spending on climate security. (34490)
- 193 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the Prime Minister's Oral Statement of 25 February 2025 on Defence and Security, Official Report, columns 631-634, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the reduction in the level of Official Development Assistance to 0.3% of gross national income on the UK's global reputation for supporting global action on climate change. (34491)
- 194 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the reduction in ODA spending on the ability of recipient countries to respond to (a) resource scarcity and (b) food insecurity. (34492)
- 195 **Mr James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will spend 80 percent of Official Development Assistance on women and girls. (34267)
- 196 **Mr James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if his Department will release a full impact assessment for the reduction in Official Development Assistance. (34268)
- 197 **Mr James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what the projected level of overseas development aid (ODA) expenditure on asylum accommodation is over the next three years; and whether he plans to ring-fence the amount of ODA available for that purpose. (34269)
- 198 **Mr James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, when he plans to restore Official Development Assistance to 0.7 percent of gross national income. (34270)
- 199 **Mr James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the reduction in overseas development assistance on the UK's (a) shareholding and (b) board membership of the World Bank. (34271)
- 200 **Marsha De Cordova** (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he plans to take to mitigate the impact of the destruction of educational and cultural facilities in Gaza. (34308)

- 201 **Marsha De Cordova** (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with his Israeli counterparts on Israeli settler attacks on (a) schools, (b) higher education facilities and (c) cultural institutions in the West Bank. (34309)
- 202 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to ensure that the Overseas Security and Justice Assistance Guidance prevents UK involvement in human rights abuses. (34345)
- 203 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what opportunities hon. Members will have to contribute to the review of the Overseas Security and Justice Assistance Guidance. (34346)
- 204 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): 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 reports of targeted attacks against Christians in the Democratic Republic of Congo, including the recent attack on a church in North Kivu; and what steps his Department is taking to help support religious freedom in that country. (34379)
- 205 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with his Nigerian counterpart on the protection of Christian communities in Nigeria in light of reports of ongoing violence and persecution. (34380)
- 206 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what support his Department is providing to help protect Christians facing persecution in Nigeria. (34381)
- 207 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the situation of Christians in (a) Gaza and (b) the Occupied Palestinian Territories; and whether he has made representations on that issue to the Palestinian Authority. (34382)
- 208 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of reductions in the international development budget on his Department's programmes supporting persecuted Christians overseas. (34383)
- 209 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will take steps to ensure that staff in his Department receive training on freedom of religion or belief. (34384)
- 210 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to (a) monitor and (b) respond to Christian persecution globally. (34385)

- 211 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department has taken steps to ensure that UK (a) embassies and (b) high commissions report on violations of freedom of religion or belief. (34386)
- 212 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of UK aid in supporting Christian communities facing persecution. (34387)
- 213 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the recommendations in the Rt. Rev. Philip Mounstephen's report entitled Bishop of Truro's Independent Review for the Foreign Secretary of FCO Support for Persecuted Christians, Final Report and Recommendations, published in 2019, what steps his Department has taken to incorporate the protection of Christian communities into its international development strategy. (34388)
- 214 **Brendan O'Hara** (Argyll, Bute and South Lochaber): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of the UK joining the Hague Group. (34274)
- 215 **Mark Pritchard** (The Wrekin): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will have discussions with his Georgian counterpart on the detention of the Mzia Amaghlobeli. (34238)
- 216 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make it her policy to use frozen Russian assets to provide compensation for Ukrainian (a) war survivors and (b) victims of (i) economic crime and (ii) human rights violations. [Transferred] (34066)
- 217 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of the proposed reduction in the proportion of gross national income spent on overseas development assistance on the influence of Russia in the countries from which aid would be withdrawn. (34423)
- 218 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of changes to employer National Insurance contributions on police recruitment. (34315)
- 219 **Alex Brewer** (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to provide new police officers with (a) tools and (b) training to tackle violent rural crime. (34509)
- 220 **Mr Luke Charters** (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of processing times for manual Disclosure and Barring Service certificates; and whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of adding manual certificates to the DBS update service. (34468)

- 221 **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people who claimed asylum in the British Indian Ocean Territory and subsequently transferred to the UK (a) has been or (b) are the subject of an investigation into foreign espionage activities directed at (i) UK and (ii) international allies' interests. (34232)
- 222 **Mr Paul Kohler** (Wimbledon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to Q52 of the oral evidence given by the Permanent Secretary to the Home Affairs Select Committee on 4 February 2025 HC 505, how many (a) rooms and (b) rooms were the ten hotels in question able to accommodate; and what the saving to the public purse will be as a result of their closure. (34543)
- 223 **Mr Paul Kohler** (Wimbledon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to Q32 of the oral evidence given by the Permanent Secretary to the Home Affairs Select Committee on 4 February 2025 HC 505, if she will (a) provide a detailed cost matrix for each role within the police and (b) set out how announced Government funding will support the recruitment of new officers. (34544)
- 224 **Mr Paul Kohler** (Wimbledon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to Q16 of the oral evidence given by the Permanent Secretary to the Home Affairs Select Committee on 4 February 2025 HC 505, whether her Department has conducted horizon scanning on (a) spontaneous far-right protests and (b) child sexual exploitation by organised networks. (34545)
- 225 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an estimate of the number of work visas that will be issued in 2025. (34441)
- 226 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of applications to extend student visas were successful in 2024. (34442)
- 227 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what information her Department holds on the number and proportion of spousal visas granted to people who were (a) first and (b) second cousins to their spouse in 2024. (34443)
- 228 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for her policies of the safety of British Hong Kongers. (34352)
- 229 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department plans to provide support to (a) Carmen Lau and (b) Tony Chung in the context of targeted acts of intimidation from the Chinese State towards them. (34353)
- 230 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many Afghans have been granted (a) indefinite leave to remain and (b) British citizenship since 15 August 2021. (34368)

- 231 **Mark Pritchard** (The Wrekin): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will increase sanctions for people who make fake (a) bomb threats and (b) calls to the emergency services. (34240)
- 232 **Cameron Thomas** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what information her Department holds on financial deficits within police constabularies in England and Wales. (34568)
- 233 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential role of international students with Graduate visas in tackling workforce skills shortages in key sectors. (34417)
- 234 **Mark Pritchard** (The Wrekin): To ask the Leader of the House, if she will bring forward proposals to agree sanctions against (a) hon. Members and (b) members of staff employed by (i) the House of Commons and (ii) hon. Members who share security advice received from House authorities with (A) media organisations, (B) third parties and (C) other external audiences. (34239)
- 235 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Prime Minister's Oral Statement of 25 February 2025 on Defence and Security, Official Report, columns 361-364, whether he will extend any contracts for the lead members of the Strategic Review team beyond their original termination date. (34294)
- 236 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has had discussions with Cabinet colleague on the potential deployment of British peacekeeping forces in Ukraine. (34295)
- 237 **Jonathan Davies** (Mid Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps her Department has taken to tackle the shortfall in armed forces recruitment over the last five years; and whether these measures have been tailored to each branch of the military. (34507)
- 238 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of (a) 21 February 2025 to Question 30825, on Ministers: Helicopters, and (b) 18 February 2025, to Question 30467 on Military Aircraft: Helicopters, what the expected cost to the Department is of an individual flight under the new contract, including any variation by distance travelled; and on what date the new provision went live. (34447)
- 239 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 10 February 2025 to Question 29217 on Prime Minister: Aviation, what the cost of helicopter travel for Defence Ministers is since 4 July 2024. (34448)

- 240 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 12 February 2025 to Question 28652 on Ministers: Aviation, what the amount of air passenger duty that is paid on an individual domestic RAF flight each way was in (a) March 2025 and (b) April 2025, excluding Northern Ireland and the Scottish Highlands and Islands travel; and whether the higher rate of APD is paid. (34449)
- 241 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 18 November 2024 to Question 1248 on Military Aircraft: Helicopter, whether there will be a public procurement exercise for the new helicopter service. (34450)
- 242 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much was spent on recruitment advertising by the (a) Royal Navy excluding the Royal Marines, (b) Army, (c) Royal Air Force and (d) Royal Marines in (i) 2022, (ii) 2023 and (iii) 2024. (34361)
- 243 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, which standard ear defenders are issued to the armed forces. (34362)
- 244 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, which service arm is responsible for combat search and rescue capability. (34363)
- 245 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the role is of the RAF Regiment. (34364)
- 246 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many Nepalese service personnel currently serve in the British Army. (34373)
- 247 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what discussions he has had with his Northern Irish counterpart on the expansion of Northern Ireland's defence workforce. (34263)
- 248 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to support women in the armed forces. (34424)
- 249 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will fully implement the recommendations of the Atherton report. (34425)
- 250 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she has had correspondence with councils planning on reducing the frequency of bin collections. (34317)
- 251 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will take steps to ensure that council staff are unable to work from abroad. (34318)

- 252 **Siân Berry** (Brighton Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the Written Statement of 21 November 2024 on Leasehold and Commonhold Reform, HCWS244, what her planned timetable is to (a) consult and (b) bring measures into force on the Leasehold and Freehold Reform Act 2024's provisions on (i) service charges and (ii) legal costs. (34537)
- 253 **Marsha De Cordova** (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of right to rent checks on non-UK passport holders on (a) the private rental sector and (b) levels of homelessness in Battersea. (34310)
- 254 **Marsha De Cordova** (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to her Oral Statement of 26 February 2025 on Grenfell Tower Inquiry: Phase 2 Report, Official Report, whether she plans to take steps to enforce personal emergency evacuation plans for disabled residents living in high-rise (a) social housing and (b) privately rented accommodation. (34311)
- 255 **Catherine Fookes** (Monmouthshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she will make an assessment of the potential merits of including housing associations under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. [Transferred] (34155)
- 256 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of convening an advisory panel to inform its approach to supporting the decarbonisation of buildings. (34299)
- 257 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she has appointed a foreign affairs adviser. (34280)
- 258 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, on what date she expects the Planning Inspectorate to submit its report on the Chinese Embassy planning inquiry. (34281)
- 259 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 15 January 2025 to Question 22385 on Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government: Cost Effectiveness, if she will itemise efficiency savings in 2024-25. (34282)
- 260 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 11 February 2025, to Question 28309 on Freeports: Trade Unions, whether freeport board members are subject to fiduciary duty to shareholders. (34283)

- 261 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 30 January 2025 to Question 25695 on Empty Property: Shops, by what date she plans to end funding on a bidding scheme basis. (34284)
- 262 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what (a) research and (b) evaluation she has undertaken on the impact of the number of empty homes on empty home premiums for council tax. (34285)
- 263 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of (a) empty home premiums on council tax, (b) second home premiums on council tax and (c) planning conditions against the use of new build homes as secondary residences on (i) house prices and (ii) housing markets in (A) England and (B) Wales. (34286)
- 264 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 4 February 2025 to Question 26697 on Local Government: Reorganisation, when she expects the Local Government Boundary Commission for England to become involved in reviewing electoral arrangements of the proposed new unitary councils; whether the role of the Commission will be (a) formal or (b) advisory; whether there will be public consultation on the electoral arrangements for the new councils; and whether the Commission will be involved in determining the (i) number of and (ii) external boundaries for the unitary councils. (34287)
- 265 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will published (a) the process and (b) her Department's timetable for determining how the new unitary councils will be awarded local business rates for retention. (34288)
- 266 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what the level of debt is of each local authority in England (a) in absolute terms and (b) as a percentage of annual budget. (34289)
- 267 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, when the next tranche of levelling up funding is due to be paid to coastal towns. (34445)
- 268 **Alex McIntyre** (Gloucester): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to reduce the number of empty homes in Gloucester. (34556)

- 269 **Alex McIntyre** (Gloucester): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what estimate she has made of the number of (a) empty properties and (b) empty properties subject to Empty Dwelling Management Orders in Gloucester. (34557)
- 270 **Alex McIntyre** (Gloucester): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what estimate she has made of the number of social rented homes with (a) mould and (b) damp in Gloucester. (34558)
- 271 **Margaret Mullane** (Dagenham and Rainham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to take steps to support councils in London with temporary accommodation pressures. (34512)
- 272 **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what target she has set for the total number of dispersal accommodation centres available to victims of domestic abuse. (34297)
- 273 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer given on 29 January 2025 to Question 21599 on Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government: Infrastructure, if she will list the (a) nine projects already determined, (b) the 12 projects due for decision and (c) the 15 projects yet to progress to decision stage; and set out any changes in their status. (34248)
- 274 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing increased powers to local councils to help them ensure that utility companies adhere to agreed timescales for completing emergency works on critical highway networks. (34343)
- 275 **Jon Trickett** (Normanton and Hemsworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to encourage the use of swift bricks. (34223)
- 276 **Jon Trickett** (Normanton and Hemsworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a swift brick national development management policy. (34224)
- 277 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how new local authorities with overlapping national park authorities will (a) interact with each other, (b) have stakeholder obligations and (c) be statutory consultees to each other. (34410)
- 278 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, when the Minister for Housing and Planning will meet with the hon. Member for Newton Abbot. (34411)

- 279 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, when the Minister for Local Government and English Devolution will meet with the hon. Member for Newton Abbot. (34412)
- 280 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what information her Department holds on the number of assaults committed by biological males serving a custodial sentence in a women-only facility in 2024. (34436)
- 281 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps she is taking to support the (a) growth and (b) innovation of the lawtech industry. [Transferred] (34195)
- 282 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether she has made a recent assessment of the potential impact of the legal services sector on (a) levels of employment and (b) gross value added. [Transferred] (34197)
- 283 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment she has made of (a) how often family court proceedings are delayed on the day of the hearing and (b) the reason for those delays. (34249)
- 284 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will provide a breakdown by country of people designated as Foreign National Offenders. (34367)
- 285 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many people have been disqualified for holding elective office under Part 5 of the Elections Act 2022. (34375)
- 286 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will make an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of the impact of the administration of (a) SSB Law and (b) other firms on the finances of claimants whose legal cases were disrupted; and whether her Department is taking steps to provide (i) redress and (ii) other support for affected people. [Transferred] (34022)
- 287 **James Wild** (North West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what information her Department holds on what the average fine was for parents who had failed to secure their child's regular attendance at school under section 444(1) of the Education Act 1996 in the latest period for which data is available. (34332)
- 288 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make it her policy not to implement a wealth tax on assets above a certain threshold in the Spring Statement 2025. (34320)
- 289 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make it her policy not to (a) lower inheritance tax thresholds and (b) increase inheritance tax rates in the Spring Statement 2025. (34321)

- 290 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make it her policy not to increase employee National Insurance contributions in the Spring Statement 2025. (34322)
- 291 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will publish detailed impact assessments for future tax increases. (34323)
- 292 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an estimate of the potential reduction in tax revenues from non-UK domiciled individuals leaving the UK. (34324)
- 293 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps she is taking to encourage high net wealth individuals to remain in the UK. (34325)
- 294 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of changes to employer National Insurance contributions on apprenticeship schemes. (34312)
- 295 **David Chadwick** (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps she is taking to work with the (a) CLA, (b) NFU, (c) FUW and (d) other industry bodies to protect working farms in the context of the proposed changes to APR and BPR. (34520)
- 296 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an estimate of the cost to the public purse of Government (a) subsidies and (b) support to fossil fuel companies in the last 12 months. [Transferred] (34130)
- 297 **Sir Oliver Dowden** (Hertsmere): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment her Department has made of the potential implications for his policies of the British Hair Consortium commissioned CBI Economics report entitled Securing the future of UK hairdressing and beauty: the economic, fiscal and societal case for VAT reform, published on 19 February 2025. [Transferred] (33924)
- 298 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent estimate she has made of the number of people with non-domiciled tax status who permanently left the UK in each month of 2024. (34444)
- 299 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the effectiveness of the financial oversight delivered by (a) arms-length bodies and (b) non-Governmental bodies across Whitehall. (34571)
- 300 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she has plans to introduce new financial reporting requirements for (a) arms-length bodies and (b) Non-Governmental departments that handle significant public expenditure. (34572)

- 301 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many (a) arms-length bodies and (b) Non-Governmental departments have not published full financial accounts in the last five years. (34573)
- 302 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps she is taking to ensure that (a) the Greater Manchester Pension Fund and (b) other pension providers have adequate (i) resources and (ii) support to complete the McCloud pension remedy process by 31 March 2025. [Transferred] (34038)
- 303 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what discussions she has had with the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions on ensuring that tax guidance relating to the McCloud remedy is issued in a timely manner. [Transferred] (34039)
- 304 **Cameron Thomas** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of lowering the National Insurance contribution threshold to £5,000 on small businesses that employ part time employees. (34565)
- 305 **David Chadwick** (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, what discussions she has had with the Welsh Government on reducing waiting times for NHS treatment. (34517)
- 306 **David Chadwick** (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, what steps she is taking to collaborate with the Welsh Government on cross-border healthcare. (34518)
- 307 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what recent steps her Department has taken to help prevent unlawful access refusals into business premises for customers who require a guide dog. [Transferred] (33971)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 4 March

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 7 January 2025 to Question 21018 on UK Relations with EU, which articles of the (a) EU-UK Withdrawal Agreement, (b) Northern Ireland protocol, (c) Windsor Framework and (d) EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement the EU alleges the UK is in breach of. (34326)
- 2N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 27 February 2025 to Question 32942 on Northern Ireland: Investment, what estimate he has made of the private sector investment in addition to the fund. (34226)

- 3N **Ann Davies** (Caerfyrddin): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department's Future of TV Distribution Stakeholder Forum launched on 8 November 2004 will consider Welsh language broadcasting. (34461)
- 4N **Ann Davies** (Caerfyrddin): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what recent estimate she has made of the number of households in Wales without a high-speed broadband connection; and what assessment she has made of the potential impact of internet only TV distribution on those households. (34462)
- 5N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central and West): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what discussions she has had with the Church of England on the protection of Cathedral buildings as heritage assets. (34259)
- 6N **Ann Davies** (Caerfyrddin): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make it his policy to extend the Fruit and Vegetable Aid Scheme beyond 31 December 2025. (34463)
- 7N **Ann Davies** (Caerfyrddin): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of not extending the Fruit and Vegetable Aid Scheme on producers in England and Wales. (34464)
- 8N **Jonathan Davies** (Mid Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to improve the UK's biosecurity resilience against (a) invasive species, (b) plant diseases, (c) animal diseases and (d) other emerging threats; and what steps he is taking to help mitigate the potential impact of climate change on agricultural ecological systems. (34493)
- 9N **David Taylor** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the potential impact of harmful pesticides on the number of bees in Hertfordshire. (34555)
- 10N **Dr Danny Chambers** (Winchester): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department plans to (a) increase the (i) frequency of trains and (ii) number of carriages per train on all South Western Railway services operating between Winchester and London, (b) reduce the high cost of fares on this route, (c) tackle (A) delays and (B) cancellations affecting these services, (d) improve the compensation scheme for passengers experiencing journey disruptions and (e) ensure that concerns of South Western Railway passengers are (1) listened to and (2) acted upon. (34536)
- 11N **Andrew Cooper** (Mid Cheshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with NHS England on the potential merits of conducting cross-conditional testing in the NHS when assessing for a neurodivergent condition to determine the potential co-occurrence of (a) autism and (b) ADHD to help (i) increase early diagnosis rates and (b) improve outcomes. (34467)

- 12N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the care available to young people diagnosed with cancer in Slough. (34304)
- 13N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent discussions he has had with NHS trusts on the rollout of (a) HIV and (b) hepatitis opt-out testing in A&E departments in (i) Slough constituency and (ii) Berkshire . (34305)
- 14N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when she expects to publish the Oliver McGowan Code of Practice on statutory learning disability and autism training. (34576)
- 15N **Tessa Munt** (Wells and Mendip Hills): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, which trusts have been granted linear particle accelerator renewal funds from the additional funding in the Autumn Budget 2024; what criteria was used by NHS England to make those awards; and whether trusts awarded those funds have to fund bunker modifications from their own budgets. (34250)
- 16N **Tessa Munt** (Wells and Mendip Hills): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 16 January 2025 to Question 23297 on Radiotherapy Finance, how many members of each working group have (a) clinical and (b) radiotherapy experience treating cancer. (34251)
- 17N **Tessa Munt** (Wells and Mendip Hills): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 16 January 2025 to Question 23294 on Radiotherapy Medical Equipment, what (a) guidelines, (b) regulations and (c) restrictions have been issued to trusts on the use of NHS England funding to purchase new radiotherapy machines; and whether NHS England has a database of radiotherapy machines including (i) installation and (ii) renewal dates. (34252)
- 18N **Tessa Munt** (Wells and Mendip Hills): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 15 January 2025 to Question 23295 on Radiotherapy Equipment, for what reason NHS England did not consult (a) cancer patient groups and (b) the radiotherapy community. (34253)
- 19N **Tessa Munt** (Wells and Mendip Hills): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 15 January 2025 to Question 23296 on Radiotherapy Infrastructure, how NHS England plans to improve the treatment of cancer patients with radiotherapy without such an assessment. (34254)
- 20N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many and what proportion of all people (a) intercepted and (b) detained in the British Indian Ocean Territory were (i) questioned and (ii) charged on espionage-related offences in the last five years. (34230)

- 21N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what the current level of Government funding is for all British activity in Antarctica. [Transferred] (34051)
- 22N **Brendan O'Hara** (Argyll, Bute and South Lochaber): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether UK surveillance drones have been flown from Jordan over (a) Gaza and (b) the West Bank in Occupied Palestine. (34272)
- 23N **Brendan O'Hara** (Argyll, Bute and South Lochaber): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with his Israeli counterparts on the right to return by Palestinians who have left Gaza since 7 October 2023. (34273)
- 24N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how family members are vetted under the Afghan Resettlement Programme. [Transferred] (34060)
- 25N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 11 February 2025 to Question 29418 on NATO: Finance, if he will have discussions with his NATO counterparts on the role of non-NATO countries with land borders with NATO countries in dealing with international threats. (34225)
- 26 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many draft versions of the Strategic Defence Review he has received from Lord Robertson. (34293)
- 27N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what his timeline is for the delivery of the first Fleet Solid Support Ship. (34227)
- 28N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the cost increase has been for the Fleet Solid Support Ship contract since initial agreement. (34228)
- 29N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether the Government of Mauritius will assume responsibility for asylum seekers arriving in the Chagos Islands once the agreement has been ratified by Parliament. (34229)
- 30N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent assessment his Department has made of the potential threat to Naval Support Facility, Diego Garcia from saboteurs. (34231)
- 31N **Brendan O'Hara** (Argyll, Bute and South Lochaber): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of the report by the British Palestinian Committee entitled British Military Collaboration with Israel, published on 28 January 2025. (34275)
- 32N **Robin Swann** (South Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, which (a) Ministers and (b) officials in his Department are members of the Transformation Fund advisory board; and how many and what proportion of meetings they have attended. (34541)

- 33N **Brendan O'Hara** (Argyll, Bute and South Lochaber): To ask the Prime Minister, what discussions he has had with his Israeli counterpart on adhering to international law in the Occupied West Bank. (34276)
- 34N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what economic assumptions her Department has used to calculate the proposed increase in defence spending of £13.4bn by 2027. [Transferred] (33957)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 5 March

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Dame Harriett Baldwin** (West Worcestershire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to his Department's National Procurement Policy Statement published on 13 February 2025, whether he has made an estimate of compliance costs for contracting authorities in implementing the (a) updated statement and (b) the Employment Rights Bill. (34256)
- 2N **Dame Harriett Baldwin** (West Worcestershire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what training programmes his Department has put in place to help procurement officials navigate the (a) recently updated National Procurement Policy Statement and the (b) Employment Rights Bill. (34257)
- 3N **Dame Harriett Baldwin** (West Worcestershire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the National Procurement Policy Statement published on 13 February 2025, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of (a) the updated statement and (b) the Employment Rights Bill on public sector procurement timelines. (34258)
- 4N **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she plans to replace support for (a) adopted and (b) special guardianship children receiving therapy for early trauma when the Adoption and Special Guardianship Support Fund closes. (34290)
- 5N **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of closing the Adoption and special guardianship support fund on children receiving support from that fund. (34291)
- 6N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what is the funding allocation per child for primary school breakfast clubs. (34377)
- 7N **Pippa Heylings** (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has had discussions with local authorities to maximise the recycling of household waste. (34356)

- 8N **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of plastic grass on (a) biodiversity and (b) nature. (34530)
- 9N **Pippa Heylings** (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she plans to increase the active travel budget. (34355)
- 10N **Dame Harriett Baldwin** (West Worcestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the National Procurement Policy Statement published on 13 February 2025, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that supplier requirements include statutory sick pay from day one in healthcare contracts. (34255)
- 11N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues on improving support for unpaid carers. [R] (34327)
- 12N **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 3 February 2025 to Question 23858 on NHS Business Services Authority: Workplace Pensions, how many remedial pension savings statements (a) were required in total, (b) had been issued to date, (c) were calculated and awaiting fulfilment and (d) were still outstanding in the latest period for which data is available. [R] (34328)
- 13N **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to respond to correspondence dated (a) 20 November 2024, (b) 7 January 2025 and (c) 10 February 2025 from the hon. Member for Runnymede and Weybridge, case reference BS34018. (34330)
- 14N **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the meeting between PANS PANDAS and his Department on 19 November 2024, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of funding for research into that condition. (34532)
- 15N **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Stamford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will call in the Ambassador of the People's Republic of China following reporting of cash offered by the Chinese Embassy for information on Hong Kong activists living in the UK. (34333)
- 16N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 24 February 2025 to Question 30352 on Deportation: Children, how many people under the age of 18 have been deported since 4 July 2024. (34365)
- 17N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what discussions he has had with the Royal Air Force on the procurement of the Aermacchi M-345 fast jet trainer. (34360)

- 18N **Pippa Heylings** (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the resources of the Planning Inspectorate in dealing with (a) local and (b) national planning appeals within target timeframes. (34354)
- 19N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she has had discussions with Cabinet colleagues on infrastructure development alongside new housing in Huntingdon constituency. (34374)
- 20N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what discussions she has had with bidders for prison education contracts on the New Fair Deal for pensions. (34243)
- 21N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what discussions her Department has had with public sector pension scheme boards on ensuring that public sector workers who transfer to a private sector prison education provider retain access to their teachers' pensions. (34244)
- 22N **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what performance metrics exist for the Civil National Business Centre; and whether those metrics are being met. (34329)
- 23N **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps her Department is taking to ensure adequate (a) financial and (b) other support for communities with a building society but not a banking hub. (34531)

Oral Questions to the Prime Minister

- 1 **Satvir Kaur** (Southampton Test): If he will list his official engagements for Wednesday 5 March. (903008)
- 2 **Kevin Bonavia** (Stevenage): (903009)
- 3 **Chris Law** (Dundee Central): (903010)
- 4 **Lloyd Hatton** (South Dorset): (903011)
- 5 **Ian Sollom** (St Neots and Mid Cambridgeshire): (903012)
- 6 **Steve Race** (Exeter): (903013)
- 7 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool Riverside): (903014)
- 8 **Sir Oliver Dowden** (Hertsmere): (903015)
- 9 **Richard Foord** (Honiton and Sidmouth): (903016)
- 10 **Paul Davies** (Colne Valley): (903017)

11	David Davis (Goole and Pocklington):	(903018)
12	Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills):	(903019)
13	Rosie Duffield (Canterbury):	(903020)
14	Seamus Logan (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East):	(903021)
15	Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck (South Shields):	(903022)

Questions for Answer on Thursday 6 March

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of allowing (a) artists, (b) musicians and (c) other people in creative industries to opt in, rather than opt out, to their intellectual property being used for the training of artificial intelligence. (34296)
- 2N **Chris Law** (Dundee Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much of the 0.3% of gross national income to be spent on official development assistance he plans to allocate to humanitarian aid in Gaza. (34277)
- 3N **Chris Law** (Dundee Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Business and Trade on the potential impact of the reduction in ODA spending on international trade. (34278)
- 4N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 19 February 2025 to Question 30711 on Resettlement: Afghanistan, how many Afghans have arrived in the UK (a) legally and (b) illegally since 15 August 2021. (34366)
- 5N **Robin Swann** (South Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 27 February 2025 to Question 32722 on Reserve Forces: Retirement, whether the review will consider readmitting former reservists if the age of retirement is changed. (34542)
- 6N **Kirith Entwistle** (Bolton North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what recent assessment she has made of the adequacy of the lower tier of the evidence provision fee in covering the legal costs of defendants on a low income. (34399)
- 7N **Kirith Entwistle** (Bolton North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what recent assessment she has made of the potential impact of the level of the cap on legal aid rates on defendants on a low income. (34400)

- 8N **Kirith Entwistle** (Bolton North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what recent assessment she has made of the adequacy of costs recovery available to people found not guilty after a criminal trial. (34401)
- 9N **Kirith Entwistle** (Bolton North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what recent assessment she has made of the availability of costs recovery to defendants when the Crown Prosecution Service withdraws a case on the grounds of insufficient evidence. (34402)
- 10N **Kirith Entwistle** (Bolton North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what recent assessment she has made of the number of defendants pleading guilty because of unaffordable legal costs. (34403)
- 11N **Chris Law** (Dundee Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what (a) total amount and (b) proportion of the reduction in ODA spending has been directly re-allocated to NATO spending. (34279)

Oral Questions to the Minister for the Cabinet Office

- 1 **Paulette Hamilton** (Birmingham Erdington): What assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the emergency alert system. (903023)
- 2 **Ian Lavery** (Blyth and Ashington): What steps his Department is taking to help ensure the resilience of local government digital infrastructure against cyber attacks. (903024)
- 3 **Johanna Baxter** (Paisley and Renfrewshire South): What recent progress his Department has made on strengthening cyber security. (903025)
- 4 **Dave Robertson** (Lichfield): What steps he is taking to support SMEs in public procurement. (903026)
- 5 **Andrew Cooper** (Mid Cheshire): What recent progress he has made on establishing an infected blood compensation scheme. (903027)
- 6 **Andrew Ranger** (Wrexham): What steps he is taking to strengthen cooperation with the devolved Administrations. (903028)
- 7 **Sarah Owen** (Luton North): What steps he is taking to support SMEs in public procurement. (903029)
- 8 **Peter Prinsley** (Bury St Edmunds and Stowmarket): What steps he is taking to improve relations with the European Union. (903030)
- 9 **Ms Julie Minns** (Carlisle): What assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the emergency alert system. (903031)
- 10 **Mark Sowards** (Leeds South West and Morley): What steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to implement the Government's Plan for Change. (903032)

- 11 **David Chadwick** (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): If he will take steps to improve devolution settlements. (903033)
- 12 **Euan Stainbank** (Falkirk): What steps he is taking to support SMEs in public procurement. (903034)
- 13 **Jack Abbott** (Ipswich): What steps he is taking to support SMEs in public procurement. (903035)
- 14 **Ben Coleman** (Chelsea and Fulham): What steps he is taking to support SMEs in public procurement. (903036)
- 15 **Steff Aquarone** (North Norfolk): What assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the use of data by Government departments. (903037)
- 16 **Debbie Abrahams** (Oldham East and Saddleworth): What steps he is taking to support small businesses in public procurement. (903038)
- 17 **Perran Moon** (Camborne and Redruth): What steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to implement the Government's Plan for Change. (903039)
- 18 **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): Whether the Cabinet Secretary has issued guidance on Ministerial appointments. (903040)
- 19 **Kevin Bonavia** (Stevenage): What recent progress his Department has made on strengthening national resilience. (903041)
- 20 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): If he will take steps with Cabinet colleagues to reduce imports of software and hardware for key industries from countries that may pose a risk to national security. (903042)
- 21 **Jess Asato** (Lowestoft): What steps he is taking to support SMEs in public procurement. (903043)
- 22 **Josh Fenton-Glynn** (Calder Valley): What assessment he has made of the effectiveness of Government advertising through social media. (903044)
- 23 **Richard Foord** (Honiton and Sidmouth): What steps his Department is taking to help reduce trade barriers with the EU. (903045)
- 24 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): What steps he is taking to ensure the security of democratic processes from foreign interference. (903046)
- 25 **Jo Platt** (Leigh and Atherton): What steps he is taking to support SMEs in public procurement. (903047)

Topical Questions to the Minister for the Cabinet Office

- T1 **Matthew Patrick** (Wirral West): If he will make a statement on his departmental

	responsibilities.	(903048)
T2	Richard Tice (Boston and Skegness):	(903049)
T3	Sarah Dyke (Glastonbury and Somerton):	(903050)
T4	Mr Andrew Mitchell (Sutton Coldfield):	(903051)
T5	Catherine Atkinson (Derby North):	(903052)
T6	Graeme Downie (Dunfermline and Dollar):	(903053)
T7	Patrick Hurley (Southport):	(903054)
T8	Bob Blackman (Harrow East):	(903055)
T9	Lincoln Jopp (Spelthorne):	(903056)
T10	Tom Rutland (East Worthing and Shoreham):	(903057)

Questions for Answer on Friday 7 March

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Rebecca Paul** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 14 January 2025 to Question 22501 on Roads: Lighting if she will provide the evidential basis for her Answer. (34534)
- 2N **Rebecca Paul** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 14 January 2025 to Question 22502 on Roads: Lighting if she will provide the evidential basis for her Answer. (34535)
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Questions for Answer on Monday 10 March

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many carers have received a Carer's Allowance overpayment since (a) 16 October and (b) 9 December 2024. (34265)
- 2N **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many carers have received an earnings-related Carer's Allowance overpayment since (a) 16 October and (b) 9 December 2024. (34266)
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Questions for Answer on Wednesday 26 March

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what comparative assessment he has made of levels of young people dying from sudden cardiac death in (a) England and (b) other European countries; and what steps he plans to take to reduce levels of sudden cardiac death in young people. (34529)

