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## Questions tabled on Thursday 6 March 2025

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### Questions for Answer on Friday 7 March

#### Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many cyber attacks were conducted by (a) Iran and (b) Iranian-sponsored actors against (i) Government and (ii) Government-affiliated systems in the last 12 months.  
[Transferred] (35742)
- 2 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 27 February 2025 to Question 31697 on Department for Work and Pensions: Muslim Council of Britain, if the Prime Minister will have discussions with the Minister for Social Security and Disability on his attendance at that event. 35949 pursuant to the Answer of 27 February 2025 to Question 31697 on Department for Work and Pensions: Muslim Council of Britain, if he will have discussions with the Minister for Social Security and Disability on his attendance at that event.  
[Transferred] (35949)
- 3 **Matt Bishop** (Forest of Dean): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment she has made of the effectiveness of the School Games Organisers in supporting school children.  
[Transferred] (36000)
- 4 **Anneliese Midgley** (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to increase physical activity levels for women. [Transferred] (35795)
- 5 **Connor Naismith** (Crewe and Nantwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps the Government takes to help ensure that apprentices are well-supported by their employers.  
[Transferred] (35969)

- 6 **Gideon Amos** (Taunton and Wellington): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will bring forward proposals to mandate rooftop solar generation through the construction of canopies over car parks. [Transferred] (35938)
- 7 **Gideon Amos** (Taunton and Wellington): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will take steps with the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government to develop enhanced tariffs to incentivise rooftop solar generation. [Transferred] (35939)
- 8 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he plans to provide support to (a) anaerobic digestion plants and (b) other small energy producers. [Transferred] (35732)
- 9 **Terry Jermy** (South West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps he is taking to ensure copyright protections remain (a) robust and (b) fit for purpose from artificial intelligence. [Transferred] (36017)
- 10 **Terry Jermy** (South West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, when he plans to publish the Copyright and Artificial Intelligence Governance consultation. [Transferred] (36018)
- 11 **Sarah Edwards** (Tamworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help ensure that healthcare treatment provided to prisoners with mental health conditions is adequate. [Transferred] (35787)
- 12 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the opportunities available to improve diagnosis times for autism spectrum disorder. [Transferred] (35763)
- 13 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of assessment times for (a) ADHD, (b) autism and (c) Tourette's syndrome in Devon. [Transferred] (35866)
- 14 **Josh Babarinde** (Eastbourne): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what his Department's timetable is for ratifying the United Nations Global Ocean Treaty. [Transferred] (35828)
- 15 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has considered appointing a veterans commissioner for England. [Transferred] (35837)
- 16 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what powers the Government has to enforce breaches of planning conditions by foreign embassies. [Transferred] (35701)

- 17 **Bradley Thomas** (Bromsgrove): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 6 February of Question 29769 on Museums, what the cost of the VAT Refund Scheme was in 2024; and whether she plans to change the funding for the VAT Refund Scheme. [Transferred] (35917)
- 18 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make a comparative assessment of the rate of Beer Duty (a) in the UK and (b) in Europe. [Transferred] (35862)
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## Questions for Answer on Monday 10 March

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham Hodge Hill and Solihull North): To ask the Solicitor General, if she will make an estimate of the number of unexplained wealth orders that have been (a) requested by and (b) granted to the Serious Fraud Office for each year from 2020 to 2024. (36050)
- 2N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many cyber attacks were conducted by (a) China and (b) Chinese-sponsored actors against (i) Government and (ii) Government-affiliated systems in the last 12 months. [Transferred] (35741)
- 3 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to his Answer to the Question from the hon. Member for Isle of Wight East of 6 March 2025, Official Report, if he will publish the letter. (36275)
- 4 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the upcoming negotiation with the European Union on Sanitary and Phyto-Sanitary arrangements will include zoo breeding programmes. (36240)
- 5 **Mr Will Forster** (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether his Department is taking steps to support British businesses that lawfully traded with now-sanctioned Russian (a) businesses and (b) people to help them to recover funds lawfully owed to them. (36313)
- 6 **Kanishka Narayan** (Vale of Glamorgan): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of a free trade agreement with India. (36160)

- 7 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what discussions he has had with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on the potential impact of changes to employers National Insurance contributions on independent nightlife; and if he will make representations on the potential merits of scaled National Insurance contributions based on turnover. (36172)
- 8 **Stuart Andrew** (Daventry): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, pursuant to the Answer of 5 March 2025 to Question 33865, on Listed Places of Worship Grant Scheme, if she will place a copy of the (a) internal Equality Impact Assessment and (b) equality screening in the Library of the House. (36063)
- 9 **Andy MacNae** (Rossendale and Darwen): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, with reference to the oral contribution of the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State of 4 November 2024 on Olympic and Paralympic Games: Team GB, HL Deb, c1307, what her Department's timetable is for setting out its position on digital rights and listed events. (36253)
- 10 **Luke Taylor** (Sutton and Cheam): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to ensure Hong Kong culture is celebrated in the UK. (36233)
- 11 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if her Department will promote engagement with Ukrainian youth organisations. (36247)
- 12 **John Cooper** (Dumfries and Galloway): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much (a) her Department and (b) each of its arm's length bodies has spent on external communications through (i) Crown Commercial Service agreement RM6125 and (ii) other agreements since 5 July 2024; and which firms have received funding. (36332)
- 13 **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what information her Department holds on the average (a) length of (b) time off the job in apprenticeships in (i) England (ii) Germany. (36060)
- 14 **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Gateshead South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to support children living with Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis in schools. (36053)
- 15 **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Gateshead South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to (a) promote and (b) monitor the use of individual healthcare plans in schools to support young people living with arthritis. (36054)
- 16 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what representations her Department has received from parents who home school their children about the Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill. (36342)

- 17 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will meet with parents who home school their children to discuss the Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill. (36343)
- 18 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of the removal of the automatic right to home educate under the Children and Wellbeing Bill on parents home schooling their children. (36346)
- 19 **Ms Julie Minns** (Carlisle): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the validation process for new phonics programmes is. (36216)
- 20 **Ms Julie Minns** (Carlisle): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for her policies of the University of Florida's phonics programme. (36217)
- 21 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will list the (a) name and (b) URN of all currently open state schools alongside the (i) URN, (ii) Establishment number and (iii) name of the predecessor institutions for each. (36123)
- 22 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the average proportion of students was obtaining the equivalent of (a) Grade 5 or better and (b) Grade 4 or better in GCSE (i) English and (ii) Maths in each Income Deprivation Affecting Children Index decile in each year since 2010. (36124)
- 23 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will list all (a) statutory and (b) non-statutory guidance issued to schools and colleges since 4 July 2024, along with the dates on which the guidance was issued. (36125)
- 24 **Anna Sabine** (Frome and East Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what support she is providing to families requiring services under the adoption and special guardian support fund. (36280)
- 25 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to help encourage young people to learn to play a musical instrument. (36182)
- 26 **Robin Swann** (South Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to support parents with recent trends in the cost of daycare facilities. (36304)
- 27 **Luke Taylor** (Sutton and Cheam): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will consider reducing the British National Overseas visa holders' requirement for home fee status to three years of continuous residence. (36229)

- 28 **Luke Taylor** (Sutton and Cheam): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment her Department has made of the number of British National Overseas Hong Kongers aged 14 to 21 who are unable to afford the cost of paying international tuition fees at UK universities without access to student loans. (36234)
- 29 **Mr Angus MacDonald** (Inverness, Skye and West Ross-shire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether his Department has set a financial target for the reduction of energy bills by 2030. (36350)
- 30 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to support small businesses to meet the carbon reporting requirements of the EU's Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism. (36328)
- 31 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of compliance with the EU's Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism requirement for accurate carbon emissions data from complex supply chains on small manufacturers. (36329)
- 32 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether his Department has considered alternative energy transmission methods. (36339)
- 33 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether compensation schemes are available to businesses whose operations are impacted by the construction of (a) new electricity pylons and (b) electricity related infrastructure. (36340)
- 34 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he has had recent discussions with the National Grid on the potential merits of establishing (a) financial compensation and (b) support for businesses impacted by pylon developments. (36341)
- 35 **Dr Roz Savage** (South Cotswolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what the total acreage of land is in the UK that is currently covered by solar farms; and what the acreage is for which planning permission for solar farms has been granted. (36330)
- 36 **David Smith** (North Northumberland): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of steps taken by the (a) Scottish Government, (b) Northern Ireland Executive and (c) Irish Government to commit to using renewable liquid fuels as part of their decarbonisation strategies. (36268)
- 37 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of Great British Energy on household energy bills in Fylde. (36187)

- 38 **Siân Berry** (Brighton Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 24 October 2024 to Question 10174 on Pesticides, when he plans to publish the National Action Plan on the Sustainable Use of Pesticides. (36298)
- 39 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how his department plans to ensure the forthcoming review of the English Marine Protected Area (MPA) network will deliver stronger protections for vulnerable marine habitats; and how it relates to the ongoing process to manage the impacts of fishing activities such as bottom-trawling on English offshore MPAs. (36335)
- 40 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking ahead of the 2025 UN Ocean Conference to ensure the effective management of Marine Protected Areas. (36336)
- 41 **Olly Glover** (Didcot and Wantage): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the impact of excess nitrogen oxide (NOx) emissions from diesel vehicles using defeat devices on UK air quality. (36299)
- 42 **Terry Jermy** (South West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what progress he has made on phasing out lead ammunition for gamebird shooting. (36318)
- 43 **John Lamont** (Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the potential implications for its policies of Scottish Government research on Ultra High Frequency electronic identification technology in livestock. (36112)
- 44 **Carla Lockhart** (Upper Bann): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department is taking steps to strengthen border checks to prevent illegal meat imports from entering the UK through (a) Dover and (b) other ports of entry. (36143)
- 45 **Carla Lockhart** (Upper Bann): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the illegal importation of meat from regions affected by (a) African swine fever and (b) foot and mouth disease on risks to the UK agricultural sector. (36144)
- 46 **Carla Lockhart** (Upper Bann): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department plans to increase (a) funding and (b) other resources for enforcement agencies for the (i) detection and (ii) prevention of illegal meat imports at ports. (36145)

- 47 **Carla Lockhart** (Upper Bann): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will take steps to review the Border Target Operating Model to introduce mandatory spot checks on all vehicles entering the UK, in the context of illegal meat smuggling. (36146)
- 48 **Carla Lockhart** (Upper Bann): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with law enforcement agencies on taking steps to help tackle organised criminal networks involved in the illegal meat trade; and what steps he plans to take to help disrupt this activity. (36147)
- 49 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a minimum-distance rule for gill nets. (36326)
- 50 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing restrictions on setting gill nets in areas frequently used by surfers, swimmers, and paddleboarders. (36327)
- 51 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the potential merits of increasing the amount of countryside available to roam. (36349)
- 52 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of the capability of the Animal and Plant Health Agency IT equipment. (36161)
- 53 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when the last time was that Animal and Plant Health Agency IT systems were upgraded. (36162)
- 54 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of the availability of (a) veterinarians, (b) veterinary technicians and (c) other veterinary experts to manage potential future outbreaks of foot and mouth disease. (36163)
- 55 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether the Animal and Plant Health Agency has carried out scenario planning for potential (a) outbreaks of foot and mouth disease and (b) other significant biosecurity breaches. (36164)
- 56 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what plans his Department has in place to ensure that urgent biosecurity information reaches farmers quickly. (36165)

- 57 **Andrew Pakes** (Peterborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of the spread of mitten crabs to Cambridgeshire. (36274)
- 58 **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the Extended Producer Responsibility for Packaging scheme that will be introduced in April 2025 on the drinks industry. (36058)
- 59 **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of amending the definition of household waste under the Extended Producer Responsibility for Packaging scheme to apply exemptions to products consumed and disposed of within hospitality venues. (36059)
- 60 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to expand public access to land under the Right to Roam provisions. (36250)
- 61 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department plans to publish a consultation on access reform. (36251)
- 62 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to ensure that young people can access the countryside. (36180)
- 63 **Robin Swann** (South Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 5 March 2025 to Question 34165 on Food and Livestock: Transport, how many times the Border Control Post has contacted people responsible for a load in relation to (a) concerns and (b) concerns about non-attendance in each of the last twelve months. (36303)
- 64 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department has plans to support endangered species breeding programmes in (a) zoos and (b) aquariums. (36239)
- 65 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department has had discussions with the zoo sector on the potential impact of the UK's decision to leave the European Union on international breeding programmes. (36241)
- 66 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will have discussions with international counterparts on changes to the Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures (the SPS

Agreement) to support (a) zoo animal transfers and (b) commercial farmers; and if he will have discussions with representatives from Shaldon Zoo to discuss the application of the SPS Agreement to the Zoo's work. (36242)

- 67 **Terry Jermy** (South West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps he is taking to help protect the use of children's personal data on social media. (36319)
- 68 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps her Department is taking to prevent foreign actors from influencing UK democratic processes through social media. (36325)
- 69 **Rebecca Smith** (South West Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what plans he has to strengthen the regulation of online pornography platforms hosting violent and extreme content. (36297)
- 70 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of extending free bus travel to all people over 60 years old in England, outside of London. (36134)
- 71 **Olly Glover** (Didcot and Wantage): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to (a) identify and (b) recall diesel vehicles found to contain illegal defeat devices. (36300)
- 72 **Leigh Ingham** (Stafford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment his Department has made of the capacity of the UK transport network to facilitate the delivery of Special Order category abnormal indivisible loads required to achieve the Government's Net Zero targets. (36290)
- 73 **Mr Paul Kohler** (Wimbledon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an estimate of the number of miles of (a) public footpaths, (b) bridleways, (c) restricted byways and (d) other public (i) walkways and (ii) cycleways in the UK. (36305)
- 74 **Mr Paul Kohler** (Wimbledon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an estimate of the change in the number of miles of (a) public footpaths, (b) bridleways, (c) restricted byways and (d) other public (i) walkways and (ii) cycleways in the UK since 2015. (36306)
- 75 **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department has taken to expand the number of cycle routes in (a) Hexham, (b) Northumberland, (c) Newcastle, (d) North East and (e) England. (36196)
- 76 **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department has taken to improve the condition of cycle routes in (a) Hexham, (b) Northumberland, (c) Newcastle, (d) North East and (e) England. (36197)

- 77 **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to improve the safety of cycle routes in (a) Hexham, (b) Northumberland, (c) Newcastle, (d) North East and (e) England. (36198)
- 78 **Anna Sabine** (Frome and East Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what progress her Department has made on the electrification of the line between Bristol and Chippenham. (36282)
- 79 **Anna Sabine** (Frome and East Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment she has made of the (a) financial and (b) time impact of the deferred electrification between Bristol and Chippenham on commuters. (36283)
- 80 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions she has had with Avanti West Coast services on the number of delays between London Euston and Preston. (36175)
- 81 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if her Department will make an assessment of the potential impact of rail delays on the West Coast Mainline on the economy of Fylde constituency. (36176)
- 82 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to ensure reliable Sunday services on Northern Rail train services in Fylde constituency. (36177)
- 83 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to communicate upcoming service cancellations on the West Coast Mainline to (a) passengers and (b) potential passengers. (36178)
- 84N **Adam Dance** (Yeovil): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what plans she has to support the diagnosis of dyslexia in adults in the workplace. [Transferred] (35925)
- 85N **Adam Dance** (Yeovil): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of barriers faced by dyslexic adults in the workplace. [Transferred] (35926)
- 86N **Adam Dance** (Yeovil): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she plans to take to help train employers to (a) recognise and (b) support employees with (i) dyslexia and (ii) neurodivergent conditions. [Transferred] (35927)
- 87 **Bobby Dean** (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will take steps to ensure young people aged under 25 and live independently receive the same amount of Universal Credit as those aged over 25. (36200)
- 88 **Bobby Dean** (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of care leavers under the age of 25 receiving the higher rate of Universal Credit. (36201)

- 89 **Bobby Dean** (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a single adult rate for Universal Credit. (36202)
- 90 **Bobby Dean** (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to support care leavers applying for Universal Credit for the first time. (36203)
- 91 **Jo Platt** (Leigh and Atherton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 17 February 2025 to Question 30791 on Employment: Chronic Fatigue Syndrome and Long Covid, whether the proposed reforms will (a) ensure appropriate assessment of the work capability of individuals with fluctuating conditions and (b) provide adequate support for people with ME who are unable to work due to their illness. (36122)
- 92 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to prioritise British medical graduates for medical posts in the NHS. (36132)
- 93 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the increase of international medical graduates coming to the UK for work on the employment rate of British medical graduates. (36133)
- 94 **Jess Brown-Fuller** (Chichester): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to (a) improve diagnosis and care pathways for patients with peripheral arterial disease and (b) improve funding routes for the adoption of innovative technologies that will facilitate faster and safer diagnosis and treatment of the disease. (36315)
- 95 **Jess Brown-Fuller** (Chichester): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of current diagnosis and treatment pathways for patients with peripheral arterial disease. (36316)
- 96 **Jess Brown-Fuller** (Chichester): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans his Department has to improve access to preventative intervention for patients at risk of lower-limb amputation. (36317)
- 97 **John Cooper** (Dumfries and Galloway): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much (a) his Department and (b) each of its arm's length bodies has spent on external communications through (i) Crown Commercial Service agreement RM6125 and (ii) other agreements since 5 July 2024; and which firms have received funding. (36334)
- 98 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, which services GIRFT have been reviewing as part of the healthcare system that impacts on Torbay and South Devon NHS Foundation Trust in the last two years. (36168)

- 99 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhese** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent discussions he has had with Integrated Care Boards about their policies to reduce delayed discharge from hospital where patients meet the criteria to (a) return home or (b) receive community care. (36113)
- 100 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhese** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent steps his Department has taken to reduce gynaecology waiting lists. (36115)
- 101 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhese** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent steps his Department has taken to improve (a) maternity and (b) perinatal outcomes. (36116)
- 102 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhese** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent steps his Department has taken to improve cardiovascular disease outcomes. (36117)
- 103 **Mr Will Forster** (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure community pharmacies receive support to stay open. (36312)
- 104 **Olly Glover** (Didcot and Wantage): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of excess diesel emissions from vehicles using defeat devices on (a) the prevalence of respiratory diseases and (b) public health. (36301)
- 105 **Olly Glover** (Didcot and Wantage): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help tackle the public health risks associated with high levels of nitrogen oxide pollution from diesel vehicles. (36302)
- 106 **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Gateshead South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to NCEPOD's report entitled Joint Care? A review of the quality of care provided to children and young adults with juvenile idiopathic arthritis, published on 13 February 2025, whether he will take steps to implement the recommendations of that report as they relate to recognition of juvenile idiopathic arthritis by healthcare professionals. (36055)
- 107 **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Gateshead South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to support older children with arthritis as they transition to adult health and care services. (36056)
- 108 **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Gateshead South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he plans to take through the 10-year health plan to support children and young people with arthritis. (36057)

- 109 **Leigh Ingham** (Stafford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the levels of ambulance delays for Category (a) 1, (b) 2, (c) 3 and (d) 4 calls; and what assessment he has made of the impact of ambulance delays on healthcare in Stafford constituency in the last 12 months. (36289)
- 110 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 5 March 2025 to Question 32470 on Radiotherapy: Medical Equipment, for what reason his Department has not published the full details of the funding allocation for replacing older radiotherapy machines. [R] (36265)
- 111 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to invest in integrated models of palliative care. (36344)
- 112 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve bereavement support for carers. (36345)
- 113 **Shivani Raja** (Leicester East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to support women diagnosed with endometriosis in (a) Leicester and (b) the United Kingdom. (36171)
- 114 **Anna Sabine** (Frome and East Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to review prescription charges for long-term medication. (36286)
- 115 **Anna Sabine** (Frome and East Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the criteria is for medication for long-term illnesses to be exempt from prescription charges. (36287)
- 116 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help tackle childhood obesity in Fylde. (36173)
- 117 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking with the Secretary of State for Education to educate young people on the benefits of active lifestyles. (36174)
- 118 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of obesity-related illnesses on health services in (a) Fylde and (b) Lancashire. (36186)
- 119 **Euan Stainbank** (Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help improve the mental health of young people. (36236)
- 120 **Michelle Welsh** (Sherwood Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to tackle the NHS backlog for ADHD assessments in (a) Sherwood Forest and (b) Nottinghamshire. (36271)

- 121 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential impact of the proposed increase in secondary Class 1 National Insurance contributions to 15% on (a) care provider employees, (b) the contribution of the care sector to the economy and (c) the future long-term funding settlement for adult social care. (36237)
- 122 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help patients with a (a) history and (b) risk of addiction; and if he will take steps to identify that risk before addictive medication is prescribed. (36238)
- 123 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has had recent discussions with representatives from the pharmacy sector on the supply of Quetiapine modified-release tablets. (36243)
- 124 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to notify patients in need of Quetiapine modified-release tablets when the current shortage is expected to end. (36244)
- 125 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to ensure Quetiapine modified-release tablets are not in shortage for long. (36245)
- 126 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the supply shortage of Quetiapine modified-release tablets on patients. (36246)
- 127 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham Hodge Hill and Solihull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if his Department will hold a summit of international financial centres. (36045)
- 128 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had discussions with his Indian counterpart on Jagtar Singh Johal's recent acquittal. (36118)
- 129 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, when he next plans to discuss the case of Alaa Abd el-Fattah with his Egyptian counterpart. (36337)
- 130 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what representations he has made to his Pakistani counterpart on (a) the treatment of religious minorities and (b) restrictions on religious expression for Hindu students in educational institutions in that country. (36110)
- 131 **Carla Lockhart** (Upper Bann): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he plans to hold discussions with his counterpart in the Democratic Republic of the Congo on (a) the recent killing of Christians and (b) other ongoing human rights violations in that country. (36150)

- 132 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what plans he has to develop internal guidance for including child and youth consultation for policymaking across his Department. (36064)
- 133 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of establishing a Special Envoy for Children within his Department. (36065)
- 134 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of the inclusion of children in multilateral events such as the Nutrition for Growth Summit. (36066)
- 135 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 10 February to Question 28082 on the British Council, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of any decision to reduce the number of British Council offices on his Department's objectives. (36068)
- 136 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 10 February 2025 to Question 27263 on Development Aid: Asylum Hotels, what discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for the Home Department on the use of asylum hotels in advance of the first meeting of the re-established ministerial ODA board. (36069)
- 137 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department plans to take to support the integration of greener practices in (a) global healthcare and (b) the surgical sector to meet net-zero emissions targets while improving patient outcomes. (36070)
- 138 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he plans to adapt the Syria sanctions regime. (36072)
- 139 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of relaxing restrictions on the (a) energy, (b) transport and (c) finance sectors in Syria on the UK's (i) foreign policy objectives and (ii) humanitarian efforts in the region. (36073)
- 140 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what diplomatic steps is he taking to ensure continued accountability for people responsible for crimes committed during Bashar al-Assad's regime. (36074)

- 141 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of the meeting of the All-Serbian Assembly in June 2024. (36075)
- 142 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to secure the release of James Anderson from Russian custody. (36204)
- 143 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to strength ties between the UK and (a) Canada, (b) New Zealand, (c) Australia and (d) other Commonwealth countries. (36189)
- 144 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to ensure that international development funding is spent more efficiently. (36190)
- 145 **Luke Taylor** (Sutton and Cheam): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether additional vetting will be implemented for diplomatic visas issued to PRC and HKSAR applicants, specifically screening for connections to transnational repression activities. (36231)
- 146 **Luke Taylor** (Sutton and Cheam): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with the international community on the recognition of transnational repression as a distinct human rights threat. (36232)
- 147 **Harpreet Uppal** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions his Department has had with (a) locally-led mutual aid networks and (b) civil society on funding for peacebuilding programmes. (36288)
- 148 **Luke Akehurst** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if her Department will take steps to help stop (a) Palestine Action's direct action training days and (b) the spread of violent direct action training materials. (36351)
- 149 **Luke Akehurst** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will review the adequacy of legislation related to the policing of the operations of (a) Palestine Action and (b) other direct action groups. (36352)
- 150 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham Hodge Hill and Solihull North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if her Department will publish its response to the Independent Review of Disclosure and Fraud Offences. (36047)
- 151 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham Hodge Hill and Solihull North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if her Department will take steps to publish a public private economic crime data strategy. (36048)

- 152 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham Hodge Hill and Solihull North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an estimate of the number of unexplained wealth orders that have been (a) requested by and (b) granted to the National Crime Agency each year from 2020 to 2024. (36049)
- 153 **Carla Lockhart** (Upper Bann): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how revenue generated from passport fees is allocated. (36149)
- 154 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent estimate she has made of (a) the number of contracts and (b) the value of those contracts for providing English language courses for refugees over the last three years. (36257)
- 155 **Amanda Martin** (Portsmouth North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the Answer of 14 February 2025 to Question 30583 on Undocumented Migrants: English Channel, on how many days Border Force implemented a red rating for expected numbers of small boat crossings in the Channel between (a) 5 July 2023 and 5 March 2024 inclusive and (b) 5 July 2024 and 5 March 2025 inclusive. (36292)
- 156 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of proposed closures of (a) Aldridge Police Station and (b) other local police stations on community safety. (36080)
- 157 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps the Government is taking to ensure that police forces are sufficiently resourced to tackle crime rates. (36081)
- 158 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the complete list is of different firearms types currently in service with police forces in England and Wales. (36205)
- 159 **Zarah Sultana** (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of predictive policing methods on freedom of association. (36140)
- 160 **Luke Taylor** (Sutton and Cheam): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will offer asylum and temporary travel documents to pro-democracy activists in Hong Kong. (36230)
- 161 **Luke Taylor** (Sutton and Cheam): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the redevelopment of a Chinese embassy in London on transnational repression efforts against Hong Kongers, Uyghurs, Tibetans, and Chinese dissidents. (36235)
- 162 **Luke Akehurst** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of direct action taken by Palestine Action on the (a) defence sector and (b) adequacy of the supply of assets to the Armed Forces. (36249)

- 163 **Mr Calvin Bailey** (Leyton and Wanstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what progress his Department has made on waiving visa fees for (a) non UK nationality veterans who have served for four or more years and (b) dependents of those veterans; and whether he plans to introduce such waivers prior to the planned extension of the Armed Forces Covenant Duty to further authorities. (36166)
- 164 **John Cooper** (Dumfries and Galloway): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much (a) his Department and (b) each of its arm's length bodies has spent on external communications through (i) Crown Commercial Service agreement RM6125 and (ii) other agreements since 5 July 2024; and which firms have received funding. (36331)
- 165 **Brian Leishman** (Alloa and Grangemouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the (a) purpose, (b) strength and (c) budget is of the British Support Team in Ramallah. (36260)
- 166 **Brian Leishman** (Alloa and Grangemouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, where his Department has recently published information about the British Support Team Ramallah. (36261)
- 167 **Brian Leishman** (Alloa and Grangemouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 14 February 2025 to Question 29341 on Ministry of Defence: Israel, which Israeli officials visited his Department on 5 February 2025. (36262)
- 168 **Brian Leishman** (Alloa and Grangemouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether UK-supplied Challenger tanks being deployed by Ukraine in the Kursk region of Russia are equipped with shells containing depleted uranium. (36263)
- 169 **Brian Leishman** (Alloa and Grangemouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when the UK last supplied Ukraine with tank shells containing depleted uranium. (36264)
- 170 **Carla Lockhart** (Upper Bann): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what personnel levels are in the (a) Army, (b) Royal Navy, (c) Royal Air Force and (d) reserve forces. (36148)
- 171 **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what progress his Department has made on removing visa fees for (a) non-UK armed forces veterans who have served for four or more years and (b) their dependents. (36199)
- 172 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the current status is of the Dreadnought-class submarine programme. (36206)
- 173 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the role is of USAF 48th Fighter Wing's Operations Group stationed at RAF Lakenheath. (36207)
- 174 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent assessment he has made of the ongoing commitment of the United States to the European Reassurance Initiative. (36208)

- 175 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many (a) L119A1 and (b) L119A2 rifles are held by the armed forces. (36210)
- 176 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the UK's role is in maintaining Naval Support Facility Diego Garcia; and which other nations maintain that Facility. (36214)
- 177 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what aspects of Trident are reliant upon US support. (36215)
- 178 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 5 March 2025 to Question 34447 on Military Aircraft: Helicopters, what estimate he has made of the annual cost of operating the new helicopter service for (a) Ministers and (b) senior (i) officials and (ii) military personnel. (36276)
- 179 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 16 December 2024 to Question 16954 on New Towns, whether a requirement to have a New Town will be imposed on local planning authorities if (a) they do not consent to the proposed development and (b) the town development is not currently in their Local Plan. (36088)
- 180 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 27 February 2025 to Question 31882 on Local Government: Reorganisation, what the threshold is for the Secretary of State submitting a formal request for a structural review to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England. (36089)
- 181 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many days each of her departmental Ministers has spent working at the Darlington Campus since 5 July 2024. (36090)
- 182 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 16 December 2024 to Question 16954 on New Towns, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the willingness of local authorities to participate in the New Towns programme. (36091)
- 183 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether a heritage impact assessment has been conducted on proposals to move the Chinese Embassy to the former Royal Mint building. (36092)
- 184 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 16 December 2024 to Question 16954 on New Towns, what the planning mechanism is by which a New Town area will be designated; and what the role of (a) site-specific national planning policy, (b) development corporations and (c) strategic authorities is in this process. (36093)

- 185 **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) the withdrawal of the Retail, Hospitality and Leisure multiplier and (b) imposition of the new £500,000 multiplier on the marginal tax rate on business rate bills from April 2026 at the £500,000 Rateable Value; and what assessment she has made of the potential merits of tapering the multipliers in the same manner as small business rate relief. (36094)
- 186 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 20 December 2024 to Question 19964 on Land Registry: Buildings, how many staff attended on average the Land Registry's Croydon office each week in November 2024. (36095)
- 187 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 27 February 2025 to Question 31042 on MHCLG: Trade Union Officials, whether the level of facility time provided to the trade unions in her Department has increased since 4 July 2025. (36096)
- 188 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 27 February 2025 to Question 32152 on Unitary councils, what the estimated population per councillor is under the new proposed unitaries with 500,000 populations. (36097)
- 189 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to para 2.19 of the National Audit Office report entitled Local Government financial sustainability, published in February 2025, HC691, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of levels of demand for asylum accommodation on prices for local authorities to procure accommodation. (36098)
- 190 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what guidance her Department has issued to local authorities on the practice of charging (a) to allow householders to park within the curtilage of their property without a formally approved dropped kerb and (b) making highways works to drop a kerb; and whether councils are able to generate a profit from such charges. (36099)
- 191 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to paragraph 2.2.5 of the Devolution White Paper, published in December 2025, CP 1218, whether the Integrated Settlement for London will entail devolution of funding to (a) London Boroughs, (b) the pan-London organisation of London Councils and (c) the Greater London Authority; and whether she plans to transfer power from London Boroughs to the Greater London Authority. (36100)

- 192 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the written statement of 3 March 2025, HCWS487, on Anti-Muslim Hate/Islamophobia Definition Working Group, what the criteria was used to select (a) the chair and (b) the working group members. (36101)
- 193 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the written statement of 3 March 2025, HCWS487, on Anti-Muslim Hate/Islamophobia Definition Working Group, when the (a) terms of reference and (b) membership will be deposited. (36102)
- 194 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the written statement of 3 March 2025, HCWS487, on Anti-Muslim Hate/Islamophobia Definition Working Group, what interests the chair of the working group on delivering a definition of Anti-Muslim Hatred/Islamophobia has declared; and whether he will be remunerated. (36103)
- 195 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to improve transparency in the pre-application process for nationally significant infrastructure projects. (36338)
- 196 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how much her Department has spent on housing asylum seekers in (a) Essex and (b) South Basildon and East Thurrock constituency since 2022. (36347)
- 197 **Luke Myer** (Middlesbrough South and East Cleveland): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the Regulator of Social Housing's statistics entitled Private registered provider social housing stock and rents in England 2023 to 2024, published on 29 October 2024, for what reason 544 private registered provider properties in Middlesbrough are not available to let; and what steps she is taking to ensure that those properties are let. (36254)
- 198 **Luke Myer** (Middlesbrough South and East Cleveland): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to introduce (a) targets and (b) incentives to reduce the number of long-term vacant social housing properties in (i) Middlesbrough and Redcar, (ii) Cleveland and (iii) other areas with above-average vacancy rates. (36255)
- 199 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 4 March 2025 to Question 33161 on Fire and Rescue Services: Finance, how are retained business rates used to fund fire and rescue services. (36213)

- 200 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will arrange local referenda before proceeding with local government reorganisation in Lancashire. (361191)
- 201 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds Central and Headingley): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what safeguards her Department has put in place to help protect unaccompanied children from Ukraine through the Homes for Ukraine Scheme. (361119)
- 202 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds Central and Headingley): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what her Department's timetable is for the implementation of changes to permitted development rights for air source heat pumps. (36120)
- 203 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the land use breakdown of (a) the average Parliamentary constituency, (b) Ashton-under-Lyne constituency, (c) Oldham West, Chadderton & Royton constituency, (d) Greenwich & Woolwich constituency, (e) Nottingham North & Kimberley constituency and (f) Bethnal Green & Stepney constituency. (36219)
- 204 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make a comparative assessment of the cumulative housing target for (a) Tower Hamlets, (b) Broxtowe, (c) Nottingham, (d) Greenwich, (e) Oldham and (f) Tameside under (i) the new housing targets and (ii) the housing targets under the previous system. (36220)
- 205 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what she expects the average density per hectare to be of housing developments built during this Parliament. (36221)
- 206 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an estimate of the amount of land in hectares which has an active planning permission. (36222)
- 207 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an estimate of the number of houses that would be built if all active planning permissions were approved. (36223)
- 208 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to her Department's press release entitled Government unveils plans for next generation of new towns, published on 13 February 2025, if she will publish a list of all proposals received. (36224)

- 209 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to her Department's press release entitled Government unveils plans for next generation of new towns, published on 13 February 2025, whether any of the proposals received cover Mid Bedfordshire constituency. (36225)
- 210 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the Press Release Government unveils plans for next generation of new towns, published on 13 February 2025, if she will publish a list of the sites unlocked through the New Homes Accelerator. (36226)
- 211 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to her Department's press release entitled Government unveils plans for next generation of new towns, published on 13 February 2025, if she will publish a list of the 350 sites stuck in the system referenced. (36227)
- 212 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an estimate of the number of homes expected to be built between July 2024 and July 2025. (36228)
- 213 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many people are in prison as a result of recall. (36121)
- 214 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will overrule changes to sentencing guidance which will place greater emphasis on pre-sentence reports. (36135)
- 215 **John Cooper** (Dumfries and Galloway): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how much (a) her Department and (b) each of its arm's length bodies has spent on external communications through (i) Crown Commercial Service agreement RM6125 and (ii) other agreements since 5 July 2024; and which firms have received funding. (36333)
- 216 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will bring forward legislative proposals to ensure the provision of pre-sentencing reports for all offenders. (36258)
- 217 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 5 March 2025 to Question 33841 on Mentally Disordered Offenders: Crimes of Violence, what (a) practical and (b) legal issues there are with linking medical records with justice datasets. (36348)
- 218 **Anna Sabine** (Frome and East Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment her Department has made of the potential merits of increasing the compensation offered to jurors on jury service for (a) mileage and (b) subsistence. (36284)
- 219 **Anna Sabine** (Frome and East Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps she plans to take to increase jurors' compensation in line with inflation. (36285)

- 220 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether the pilot scheme to provide support for jurors on the most traumatic cases will be (a) continued and (b) widened to include more courts. (36138)
- 221 **John Lamont** (Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the Scottish Government's proposals to adopt Ultra High Frequency electronic identification technology for animals on farming in the rest of the UK. (36111)
- 222 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham Hodge Hill and Solihull North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if her Department will publish its response to its consultation on Reforming anti-money laundering and counter-terrorism financing supervision, published on 30 June 2023. (36046)
- 223N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate she has made of the amount of interest accrued from frozen Russian assets that has been used to provide military aid to Ukraine. [Transferred] (35718)
- 224 **Sir Iain Duncan Smith** (Chingford and Woodford Green): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many meetings between Chinese and UK officials took place between October 1 2024 and March 1 2025. (36039)
- 225 **Leigh Ingham** (Stafford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the impact of the (a) closure of local banks and (b) opening of banking hubs on people who are elderly or disabled. (36291)
- 226 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of (a) introducing targeted relief for and (b) reforming employer National Insurance contributions. (36076)
- 227 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she has had discussions with Cabinet colleagues on the potential merits of introducing a a phased reduction in employer National Insurance contributions for businesses with fewer than 50 employees. (36077)
- 228 **Kanishka Narayan** (Vale of Glamorgan): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment her Department has made of the suitability of the current asset and employee number eligibility caps for the Enterprise Management Incentive in supporting the fastest-growing tech startups in the UK. (36159)
- 229 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, for what reason the publication of new VAT guidance in October 2024 was following the Budget. (36126)
- 230 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether independent schools under the new interpretation of VAT entities following the Autumn Budget 2024 are their own class of business. (36127)

- 231 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether the new VAT legislation for private schools led to HMRC amending or redefining the scope of input tax recovery for business who made exempt supplies prior to registration. (36128)
- 232 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how private schools who were not previously VAT-registered but did produce taxable supplies that were under the registration threshold will be treated under the new VAT guidance. (36129)
- 233 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the compatibility of changes to VAT legislation with the principal of fiscal neutrality. (36130)
- 234 **Anna Sabine** (Frome and East Somerset): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what progress her Department has made on ensuring eligible retired firefighters receive due compensation under the McCloud remedy. (36281)
- 235 **David Smith** (North Northumberland): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will have discussions with her US counterpart on the impact of the US Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act on the privacy rights of UK citizens who have US citizenship but have never resided in that country. (36267)
- 236 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps she is taking to support blind people to access cash when local bank branches close. (36179)
- 237 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to her Department's news story entitled, Lights, Camera, Action! 40% business rates relief for film studios rolled out, published on 16 February 2025, whether her announcement on film business rates of 16 February 2025 is in addition to fiscal measures outlined in Autumn Budget 2024. (36218)
- 238 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will bring forward legislative proposals to enable the repurposing of assets seized from sanctions violations to fund reparations for victims of serious (a) human rights and humanitarian law violations and (b) corruption. (36248)
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## Questions for Answer on Tuesday 11 March

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Laurence Turner** (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps his Department is taking to develop weightings for trade union (a) access and (b) recognition when (i) awarding public contracts and (ii) determining strategic suppliers.[R] (36272)
- 2N **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham Hodge Hill and Solihull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, for what reason the launch of the service to register Companies House authorised agents has been delayed. (36040)
- 3N **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham Hodge Hill and Solihull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many (a) high-end, (b) trade-based and (c) cash-based money laundering incidents were identified by Companies House in each year between 2020 and 2024. (36041)
- 4N **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham Hodge Hill and Solihull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many requests were made by Companies House to query information (a) sent for acceptance to and (b) already published on the register using the new enforcement powers introduced in March 2024. (36042)
- 5N **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham Hodge Hill and Solihull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether Companies House has key performance indicators to measure the quality of information on the registry. (36043)
- 6N **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham Hodge Hill and Solihull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many requests were made to Companies House to (a) remove and (b) change director details in each year between 2020 and 2024. (36044)
- 7N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether UK Sport has had discussions with the Amaury Sport Organisation on the UK hosting the 2027 Grand Départ of the Tour de France. (36211)
- 8N **Jess Brown-Fuller** (Chichester): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what progress her Department has made with the Office for Students on [implementing the third category of registration] for (a) smaller and (b) specialist providers of (i) Trinity College London level five and six Professional Performing Arts Diplomas and (ii) other qualifications in the context of accessing the Lifelong Learning Entitlement. (36314)
- 9N **Calum Miller** (Bicester and Woodstock): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of the time taken to confirm the Adoption Support Fund budget on children receiving therapy through that fund. (36322)

- 10N **Calum Miller** (Bicester and Woodstock): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that the time taken to confirm Adoption Support Fund funding does not lead to gaps in therapy provision for adopted children with additional needs. (36323)
- 11N **Calum Miller** (Bicester and Woodstock): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of linking the Adoption Support Fund annual funding cap to inflation. (36324)
- 12N **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department has taken to increase access to books for young people. (36181)
- 13N **Graham Leadbitter** (Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what discussions he has had with DCC to ensure there will be alternate smart meter connections in rural areas. (36278)
- 14N **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to help reduce household energy bills in Fylde constituency. (36185)
- 15N **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she plans to review the (a) amount of funding and (b) current measures being used by the Border Force to seize illegal meat. (36294)
- 16N **Mr Paul Kohler** (Wimbledon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate her Department has made of the potential impact of the expansion of (a) Heathrow and (b) Gatwick Airport on the level of nitrogen dioxide emissions in (i) Greater London and (ii) the South East. (36307)
- 17N **Mr Paul Kohler** (Wimbledon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department has developed contingency plans to respond to potential legal challenges to the proposed expansion to Heathrow airport. (36308)
- 18N **Mr Paul Kohler** (Wimbledon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of the proposed Heathrow airport expansion on trends in the level of particulate matter. (36309)
- 19N **Mr Paul Kohler** (Wimbledon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what independent modelling her Department has used to conduct cost-benefit analysis of Heathrow expansion; and whether this analysis included consideration of (a) air pollution-related illnesses and premature deaths and (b) NHS expenditure. (36310)
- 20N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 5 March 2025 to Question 34603 on Rolling Stock: Northern, what information her Department holds on the number of train cars in good working order but not in use by Northern. (36061)

- 21N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many applications for (a) Navigational Watch Rating certificates, (b) Engine Room Watch Rating certificates, (c) Electro-Technical Watch Ratings Certificates, (d) Able Seafarer Deck Certificates of Proficiency and (e) Yacht Rating Certificates, were received by the Maritime and Coastguard Agency in each year since 2014-15; and how many were issued by the MCA in each of those years. (36062)
- 22N **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the increase in Employers National Insurance Contributions on the budgets of train and bus operators transitioning from franchise to public mode of operations management. (36079)
- 23N **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that the availability of (a) practical and (b) theory driving tests is commensurate with the expected number of applicants at any given time. (36295)
- 24N **Pippa Heylings** (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what guidance her Department has issued to staff on (a) contacting and (b) assessing benefits claims for (i) victims and (ii) survivors of domestic violence and economic abuse. (36195)
- 25N **Graham Leadbitter** (Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the rate of statutory sick pay. (36279)
- 26N **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, which Minister has oversight of the Getting It Right First Time programme. (36167)
- 27N **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps should be taken prior to a test for change on a healthcare offer. (36169)
- 28N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent steps he has taken to help improve the quality of maternity care in (a) Slough, (b) Berkshire and (c) England. (36114)
- 29N **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will publish the dates on which he or the Minister of State for Care has met with (a) Community Pharmacy England and (b) the National Pharmacy Association since 4 July 2024. (36139)
- 30N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will guarantee funding for the Pharmacy First scheme beyond 1 April 2025. (36151)
- 31N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to ensure there will be no deterioration in access to the Pharmacy First scheme in the next financial year. (36152)

- 32N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to expand access to the Pharmacy First scheme. (36153)
- 33N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to prevent pharmacy closures. (36154)
- 34N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with the Chancellor on the potential impact of increased National Insurance contributions on pharmacies. (36155)
- 35N **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will direct NHS England to update the guidance on gluten-free food prescriptions in the document entitled Prescribing Gluten-Free Foods in Primary Care: Guidance for Clinical Commissioning Groups, published on 28 November 2018. (36296)
- 36N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 17 December to Question 18869 on Palestinians: Fire and Rescue Services, what progress he has made on discussions with Israeli counterparts to ensure the successful delivery of this donation. (36087)
- 37N **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 7 February 2025 to Question 27532 on the Soft Power Council, what allocation from existing budgets has (a) been allocated to and (b) been spent on the Soft Power Council to date; and what estimate he has made of the resources needed to support the Council in the financial year 2025-26. (36067)
- 38N **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 12 February 2025 to Question 28557 on International Day of Education, what estimate his Department has made of the proportion of aid delivered to Afghanistan reaching women and girls. (36071)
- 39N **Brendan O'Hara** (Argyll, Bute and South Lochaber): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, when the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for the Middle East, North Africa, Afghanistan and Pakistan last visited the Middle East. (36083)
- 40N **Saqib Bhatti** (Meriden and Solihull East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the request by the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs to call in the planning application for the new Chinese Embassy on national security. (36142)
- 41N **Graham Leadbitter** (Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she has taken to encourage scientists to emigrate to the UK. (36277)

- 42N **Calum Miller** (Bicester and Woodstock): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, by what date her Department plans to embed domestic abuse specialists in 999 control rooms in the Thames Valley constabulary area. (36321)
- 43N **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): 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 the funding for neighbourhood police officers in the financial year 2025-26 and beyond. (36082)
- 44N **Shivani Raja** (Leicester East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many hotel rooms her Department has currently contracted for the purpose of accommodating asylum seekers. (36170)
- 45N **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of revising Ukraine visa schemes to create a potential UK settlement pathway, such as where people have no family or home to return to in Ukraine, assessed on a case by case basis. (36293)
- 46N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether the Strategic Defence Review will consider the UK's nuclear capability. (36104)
- 47N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 5 March 2025 to Question 33516 on Defence: Finance, whether his plan to spend 2.5% of GDP on defence expenditure in the 2026-27 financial year includes expenditure on the intelligence and security services. (36105)
- 48N **Dave Doogan** (Angus and Perthshire Glens): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when each F-35 entered into service. (36131)
- 49N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of Tranche 1 Typhoon jets being repurposed for deployment in Ukraine. (36051)
- 50N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether any of the contracts for the three external reviewers conducting the Strategic Defence Review have been extended. (36052)
- 51N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 27 February 2025 to Question 33149 on Armed Forces: Protective Clothing, what is the difference in the level of protection between the Peltor ComTac XP/XPI ear defender and the General Service Peltor Ear Muff ear defender. (36209)
- 52N **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department is taking to manage the potential impact of recent legal cases against veterans on trends in the level of recruitment for the Armed Forces. (36183)

- 53N **Nesil Caliskan** (Barking): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to her Department's policy paper entitled Commonhold White Paper: The proposed new commonhold model for homeownership in England and Wales, published on 3 March 2025, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of its proposals on commonhold on (a) existing leaseholders (b) current Right to Manage arrangements. (36259)
- 54N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 4 March 2025 to Question 33161 on Fire and Rescue Services: Finance, what factors the funding formula uses to (a) determine and (b) distribute funding to fire and rescue services. (36212)
- 55N **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment with the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care of the potential impact of urban (a) trees and (b) woodland on (i) mental and (ii) physical health. (36188)
- 56N **Dr Simon Opher** (Stroud): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what her planned timeline is for the proposed extension of the maximum period that an eligible prisoner may spend on Home Detention Curfew. (36156)
- 57N **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will take legislative steps to criminalise people who knowingly mislead a potential employer with a misrepresentative CV. (36184)
- 58N **Mr Paul Kohler** (Wimbledon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of trends in the levels of air pollution on (a) economic productivity and (b) workforce participation. (36311)
- 59N **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps she plans to take to (a) support small businesses and (b) ensure that they are not disproportionately impacted, in the context of the anticipated increase in Employers National Insurance Contributions from April 2025, . (36078)

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## Questions for Answer on Wednesday 12 March

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Alice Macdonald** (Norwich North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when she plans to instruct the Office for Students to review the number of dental undergraduate training places in the East of England. (36252)

- 2N **Calum Miller** (Bicester and Woodstock): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department plans to introduce legislation for the provision of (a) early screening for neurodivergent conditions and (b) improved teacher training in those conditions. (36320)
- 3N **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Stamford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the implications of the Budapest Memorandum for his policies. (36141)

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### Oral Questions to the Prime Minister

- 1 **Mike Martin** (Tunbridge Wells): If he will list his official engagements for Wednesday 12 March. (903143)
- 2 **Shaun Davies** (Telford): (903144)
- 3 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): (903145)
- 4 **John Slinger** (Rugby): (903146)
- 5 **Tulip Siddiq** (Hampstead and Highgate): (903147)
- 6 **Richard Burgon** (Leeds East): (903148)
- 7 **Sojan Joseph** (Ashford): (903149)
- 8 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): (903150)
- 9 **Dave Doogan** (Angus and Perthshire Glens): If he will make an assessment of the durability of UK-US relations. (903151)
- 10 **Peter Dowd** (Bootle): (903152)
- 11 **Zarah Sultana** (Coventry South): (903153)
- 12 **Lloyd Hatton** (South Dorset): (903154)
- 13 **Sir Geoffrey Clifton-Brown** (North Cotswolds): (903155)
- 14 **Sir Ashley Fox** (Bridgwater): (903156)
- 15 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South and Mid Down): (903157)
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## Questions for Answer on Thursday 13 March

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Luke Myer** (Middlesbrough South and East Cleveland): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what plans his Department has to reform regulations on social media advertising to prevent the promotion of products that breach UK product regulations. (36256)
- 2N **Pippa Heylings** (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will ensure that Mandatory Reconsiderations relating to decisions on Child Disability Living Allowance claims are dealt with within 28 days. (36192)
- 3N **Pippa Heylings** (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will publish information on success rates for (a) Mandatory Reconsideration of decisions on Child Disability Living Allowance (DLA) applications and (b) Tribunals relating to decisions on Child DLA applications. (36193)
- 4N **Pippa Heylings** (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what proportion of claims for Child Disability Living Allowance were decided within the target timeframe of 45 working days in (a) 2024 and (b) so far in 2025. (36194)
- 5N **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether it is her Department's policy for claimants eligible only for basic Universal Credit who have not found employment after 18 months to undertake mandatory work experience placements. (36106)
- 6N **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether it is her Department's policy to stop (a) Universal Credit, (b) New Style Jobseeker's Allowance and (c) income-based Jobseeker's Allowance claims of people who refuse to (i) engage with a Jobcentre and (ii) accept a job offer. (36107)
- 7N **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to paragraph 3.26 of the Autumn Statement 2023, CP 977, what progress her Department has made on rolling out mandatory work placements for Universal Credit claimants who were unable to find employment at the end of the Restart programme. (36108)
- 8N **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the press notice entitled Government bolsters employment support to unlock work for sick and disabled people, published on 6 March 2025, how this policy will relate to the Additional Work Coach Time programme. (36109)
- 9N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what plans his Department has to support post-conflict stabilisation work in Syria. [R] (36084)

- 10N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what plans his Department has to support civil society in Syria. [R] (36085)
- 11N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what plans his Department has to work with European partners to support post-conflict stabilisation work in Syria. [R] (36086)
- 12N **Steve Witherden** (Montgomeryshire and Glyndŵr): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing legislation to make anti-LGBTQ+ hate crimes an aggravated offence. (36269)
- 13N **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to support landlords to improve the EPC ratings of their properties. (36266)

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### Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Business and Trade

- 1 **Jamie Stone** (Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross): What steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to support businesses in rural areas. (903158)
- 2 **Shaun Davies** (Telford): What steps he is taking to support manufacturing in the West Midlands. (903159)
- 3 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): What steps his Department is taking to improve the regulatory environment. (903160)
- 4 **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): What steps he is taking to support high street businesses. (903161)
- 5 **Kenneth Stevenson** (Airdrie and Shotts): What assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the National Minimum Wage and National Living Wage on families in Airdrie and Shotts constituency. (903162)
- 6 **Danny Beales** (Uxbridge and South Ruislip): What steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help tackle the international trading of stolen vehicles. (903163)
- 7 **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): What steps he is taking to support the hospitality industry. (903164)
- 8 **Luke Akehurst** (North Durham): What assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the National Minimum Wage and National Living Wage on families. (903165)
- 9 **Tony Vaughan** (Folkestone and Hythe): What steps his Department is taking to help micro-businesses comply with general product safety regulations. (903166)

- 10 **Katie Lam** (Weald of Kent): If he will take steps to reduce employment regulation for businesses. (903167)
- 11 **Rebecca Smith** (South West Devon): What assessment he has made of the potential impact of the level of energy costs on businesses. (903168)
- 12 **Josh Newbury** (Cannock Chase): What steps his Department is taking to support trade union recognition in the workplace. [R] (903169)
- 13 **Sir Edward Leigh** (Gainsborough): What steps he is taking to support the hospitality industry. (903170)
- 14 **David Davis** (Goole and Pocklington): What steps he is taking to ensure that compensation is paid to people impacted by the Post Office Horizon scandal in a timely manner. (903171)
- 15 **Alex Baker** (Aldershot): What steps his Department is taking to support small businesses. (903172)
- 16 **Mr Jonathan Brash** (Hartlepool): What steps his Department is taking to protect UK steel exports. (903173)
- 17 **Mr Alistair Carmichael** (Orkney and Shetland): What recent assessment he has made of the potential impact of changes to employer National Insurance contributions on small and medium-sized enterprises. (903174)
- 18 **Dr Allison Gardner** (Stoke-on-Trent South): What steps his Department is taking to support small businesses. (903175)
- 19 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): What steps his Department is taking to promote British business abroad. (903176)
- 20 **Charlie Dewhurst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): What steps he is taking to help reduce employment costs for employers. (903177)
- 21 **Douglas McAllister** (West Dunbartonshire): What assessment he has made of the potential merits of a free trade agreement with India. (903178)
- 22 **David Reed** (Exmouth and Exeter East): What steps he is taking to support the hospitality industry. (903179)
- 23 **Bradley Thomas** (Bromsgrove): What steps he is taking to support high street businesses. (903180)
- 24 **Cameron Thomas** (Tewkesbury): What recent discussions he has had with his counterpart in Ukraine on economic growth. (903181)
- 25 **Frank McNally** (Coatbridge and Bellshill): What steps he is taking to help increase levels of international investment in Scotland. (903182)
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**Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Business and Trade**

- T1 **Joy Morrissey** (Beaconsfield): If he will make a statement on his departmental responsibilities. (903183)
- T2 **Steve Race** (Exeter): (903184)
- T3 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): (903185)
- T4 **Jo Platt** (Leigh and Atherton): (903186)
- T5 **Chris Law** (Dundee Central): (903187)
- T6 **Chris Bloore** (Redditch): (903188)
- T7 **Jenny Riddell-Carpenter** (Suffolk Coastal): (903189)
- T8 **Amanda Hack** (North West Leicestershire): (903190)
- T9 **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): (903191)
- T10 **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): (903192)
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**Questions for Answer on Friday 14 March****Questions for Written Answer**

- 1N **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment his Department has made of the potential across the Durham Coalfield for producing sustainable geothermal energy from disused mines. (36136)
- 2N **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment his Department has made of the impact of data centres on regional energy usage, in the context of increases in the use of AI. (36137)
- 3N **Steve Witherden** (Montgomeryshire and Glyndŵr): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what plans her Department has to help tackle hate crimes against trans people in England and Wales. (36270)
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## Questions for Answer on Monday 17 March

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Tom Gordon** (Harrogate and Knaresborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent discussions he has had with delivery firms on ensuring that delivery drivers are adequately compensated. (36157)
- 2N **Tom Gordon** (Harrogate and Knaresborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of bringing forward legislative proposals to protect delivery drivers from exploitative working practices. (36158)
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## Questions for Answer on Thursday 20 March

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Michael Wheeler** (Worsley and Eccles): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to increase access to NHS dentistry in Worsley and Eccles constituency. (36273)