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Questions tabled on Friday 7 March 2025

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- † Indicates a Question not included in the random selection process but accepted because the quota for that day had not been filled.
- N Indicates a question for written answer on a named day under S.O. No. 22(4).
- [R] Indicates that a relevant interest has been declared.

Questions for Answer on Monday 10 March

Questions for Written Answer

- Ben Maguire (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to support small businesses to meet the carbon reporting requirements of the EU's Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism. [Transferred] (36328)
- Ben Maguire (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, 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. [Transferred] (36329)
- 3N **Steff Aquarone** (North Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of implementing the recommendations from the Commission on Crime and Gambling Related Harms, published in April 2023 on the use of the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002.

[Transferred] (35899)

4 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether the upcoming negotiation with the European Union on Sanitary and Phyto-Sanitary arrangements will include zoo breeding programmes.

[Transferred] (36240)

Olly Glover (Didcot and Wantage): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment her Department has made of the impact of excess nitrogen oxide (NOx) emissions from diesel vehicles using defeat devices on UK air quality. [Transferred] (36299)

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- Anna Sabine (Frome and East Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
 Department, what progress her Department has made on ensuring eligible retired
 firefighters receive due compensation under the McCloud remedy.

 [Transferred] (36281)
- 7 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, 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. [Transferred] (36094)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 11 March

- Ben Obese-Jecty (Huntingdon): To ask the Solicitor General, how many prosecutions for child-trafficking there have been in Cambridgeshire since 2010. (36473)
- 2 Dr Scott Arthur (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he has had discussions with Scottish universities on the development of an industrial strategy. (36534)
- 3 **Dr Scott Arthur** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of the Scottish Government's National innovation strategy 2023 to 2033 on his industrial strategy. (36535)
- 4 Mary Kelly Foy (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he has taken to tackle compensation delays for people impacted by the Horizon Post Office scandal; what steps he is taking to (a) close the loophole that allows the Post Office to reset the compensation timeline by requesting information and (b) improve (i) transparency and (ii) accountability in the process. (36447)
- Mr James Frith (Bury North): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, with reference to the UK Live Comedy Sector Survey Report 2024, published on 6 February 2025, if her Department will take steps to recognise live comedy as an art form, in the context of eligibility for funding from (a) Arts Council England, (b) the National Lottery and (c) other organisations.
- 6 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to support all-weather sports facilities in Lincolnshire. (36355)

- 7 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what plans her Department has to remove the cap on charity lottery ticket sales.

 (36403)
- 8 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to increase the (a) transparency and (b) accountability of lottery fundraising by charities. (36404)
- 9 Julia Buckley (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what requirement her Department has placed on academy trusts to monitor school buildings where asbestos is present. (36528)
- David Chadwick (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether an emergency fund will be made available to adoption and special guardianship therapy providers to ensure there is no break in existing therapy work with children and families. (36545)
- 11 **David Chadwick** (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will consider a permanent fund for therapeutic support for adoptive and special guardship families. (36546)
- 12 **Pippa Heylings** (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she plans to provide additional funding to expand enhanced resource bases. (36465)
- 13 **Pippa Heylings** (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much funding she plans to provide to schools in South Cambridgeshire in the 2025-26 financial year. (36466)
- Pippa Heylings (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what information her Department holds on the number of schools that receive charitable funding to cover essential costs. (36467)
- 15 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to help identify victims of child-trafficking in schools in Cambridgeshire. (36474)
- Cameron Thomas (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that teachers have access to accompaniment by professionally trained companions during (a) disciplinary and (b) grievance hearings. (36570)
- 17 **Cameron Thomas** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will take steps to ensure that teachers are given priority to enrol their children at schools they teach at. (36571)

- 18 Cameron Thomas (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the impact of Covid 19 on the reception class cohort of September 2025; and whether additional (a) preparation and (b) provision has been made for that cohort. (36572)
- 19 Dr Scott Arthur (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of the support provided by (a) his Department and (b) energy suppliers for vulnerable households for the cost of energy. (36532)
- Dr Scott Arthur (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security 20 and Net Zero, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of the support provided by (a) his Department and (b) energy suppliers for people with chronic ill health for the cost of energy. (36533)
- 21 Helen Maguire (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many and what proportion of households are (a) eligible for and (b) in receipt of the Warm Homes Discount in Epsom and Ewell constituency. (36561)
- 22 Helen Maguire (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that fuel poverty interventions are (a) sufficient and (b) well targeted. (36562)
- 23 Dr Luke Evans (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 25 February to Question 31434 on Animal Products: Labelling, what discussions he has had with (a) statutory bodies and (b) animal welfare campaign groups on including animal welfare labelling in future food labelling regulations. (36450)
- Mr James Frith (Bury North): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and 24 Rural Affairs, if he will take steps to ensure that fees under the Extended Producer Responsibility scheme are sustainable for businesses using glass packaging. (36446)
- Sir John Hayes (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for 25 Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent steps he has taken to support recycling (a) efforts and (b) infrastructure in Lincolnshire. (36356)
- 26N Mr Paul Kohler (Wimbledon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his 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. [Transferred] (36311)
- 27 Rupert Lowe (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will bring forward legislation to prohibit the slaughter of animals without being stunned for Halal meat. (36520)

- Rupert Lowe (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate his Department has made of how many animals were slaughtered without being stunned for the production of Halal meat in 2024. (36521)
- 29 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many and what proportion of animals were slaughtered without being stunned for the production of Halal meat in the UK in 2024. (36522)
- 30 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate his Department has made of the proportion of all meat (a) produced and (b) consumed in the UK that is Halal meat. (36523)
- 31 Alex Mayer (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 10 October 2024 to Question 6928 on Fish Products: Faroe Islands, when his response to the public consultation on fairer food labelling will be published. (36513)
- 32 **Cameron Thomas** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions he has had with farmers on ensuring that agricultural soil health adheres to recommended guidelines to mitigate flooding. (36569)
- Alison Bennett (Mid Sussex): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps his Department is taking to ensure the protection of personal data in the context of Apple's withdrawal of Advanced Data Protection. (36544)
- Luke Myer (Middlesbrough South and East Cleveland): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment his Department has made of the role of social media platforms in facilitating (a) paid-to-party and (b) yachting modelling schemes; and what steps he is taking with the Secretary of State for the Home Department to prevent the recruitment of young women for exploitative purposes through such schemes.
- 35 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether Network Rail's debt will move to the balance sheet of Great British Railways. (36511)
- Tom Morrison (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her

 Department has taken to protect small taxi businesses from the potential impact of ridehailing companies operating in local authority-licensed areas. (36489)
- Tom Morrison (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what guidance her Department is providing to local authorities on ensuring ride hailing companies comply with local authority fare regulations for private hire vehicles. (36490)
- Tom Morrison (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent discussions her Department has had with local authorities on the public safety risks associated with ride-hailing firms operating outside their licensed areas. (36491)

- 39 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 25 February 2025 to Question 31507 on Pension Credit, from which directorate have the additional staff been deployed to process pension credit applications; and for how long the additional staff have been seconded to process pension credit applications. (36448)
- 40 Dr Luke Evans (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 25 February 2025 to Question 31507 on Pension Credit, whether she is taking steps to ensure that backlogs of work are actioned within directorates that have seconded additional staff to process pension credit applications.
 (36449)
- 41 **Sarah Gibson** (Chippenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an assessment of the adequacy of Universal Credit provisions for single parent families. (36539)
- 42 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what proportion of food procured by her Department is sourced in the UK.

 (36357)
- 43 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to reform the interaction between Universal Credit and Housing Benefit for young people in supported accommodation to remove disincentives to work.

 (36483)
- 44 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment her Department has made of the impact of the 65% Housing Benefit taper rate on the employment prospects of young people living in supported accommodation.

 (36484)
- Tom Morrison (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department plans to align housing support for young people in supported accommodation with the Universal Credit housing element provided to private renters. (36485)
- 46 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department plans to reinstate the Independent Living Fund to provide additional support to young people in supported accommodation. (36486)
- 47 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of work intensification on the ability of incapacity benefit claimants to (a) find and (b) maintain paid employment.

 (36492)
- Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to reduce potential barriers to accessing Pension Credit for pensioners who do not have access to digital services or face challenges with online applications. (36401)

- 49 **Sadik Al-Hassan** (North Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure the proposed changes to National Institute for Health and Care Excellence Highly Specialised Technology (HST) routing criteria aligns with the stated aim of HST to secure more equitable treatment access for very small populations with ultra-rare diseases. (36556)
- Sadik Al-Hassan (North Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure the proposed changes to National Institute for Health and Care Excellence Highly Specialised Technology (HST) routing criteria aligns with the stated aim of HST to encourage (a) research on and (b) innovation for ultra-rare diseases when there are challenges in generating an evidence base that is robust enough to bring the product to market.
- Sadik Al-Hassan (North Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential impact of National Institute for Health and Care Excellence proposed changes to its Highly Specialised Technology routing criteria on access to medicines for people living with rare diseases.

(36558)

- 52 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to (a) formally recognise accredited school-based counsellors as part of the children's mental health workforce and (b) integrate those counsellors into (i) NHS and (ii) education-based mental health services. (36393)
- 53 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what proportion of food procured by his Department is sourced in the UK. (36359)
- Fupert Lowe (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the total cost to the public purse is of the Supervised Toothbrushing Programme. (36519)
- 55 **Brian Mathew** (Melksham and Devizes): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to further research into rare diseases.

 (36536)
- Luke Myer (Middlesbrough South and East Cleveland): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to engage with independent pharmacy owners to (a) address financial pressures and (b) prevent pharmacy closures.

 (36517)
- 57 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 7 March 2025 to Question 34376 on NHS: Finance, how the Carr-Hill formula applies to over-subscribed GP surgeries. (36475)
- 58 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 7 March 2025 to Question 35000 on General Practitioners:

 Contracts, how many GP contracts have been handed back since 4 July 2024. (36477)

- **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to review autism assessment questionnaire to be inclusive of female autism. (36506)
- **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to support women living with arthritis. (36509)
- Joe Robertson (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the average waiting time from referral to diagnosis has been for people being referred to memory assessment services in the last five years. (36541)
- G2 Joe Robertson (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the annual average integrated care board spend on memory assessment services has been for each year between 2014 and 2024. (36542)
- **Dr Roz Savage** (South Cotswolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make funding available to support the creation of a Covid-19 memorial in South Cotswolds constituency. (36566)
- **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of mental health services for children in Bedfordshire. (36503)
- **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he will take to support mental health services for children in Bedfordshire. (36504)
- **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of protecting the title of nurse in law.

 (36505)
- Mohammad Yasin (Bedford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to (a) attend the World Health Assembly 2025 and (b) endorse the WHO resolution on Reducing the Burden of Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) through the Promotion of Kidney Health and Strengthening Prevention and Control of Kidney Disease.

 (36441)
- **Saqib Bhatti** (Meriden and Solihull East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential
 impact of the proposed reduction of the proportion of gross national income spent on
 official development assistance on women and girls in Afghanistan. (36456)
- **Saqib Bhatti** (Meriden and Solihull East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much and what proportion of official
 development assistance to Afghanistan is being spent on programmes supporting Afghan
 women and girls.

 (36457)

- 70 **Saqib Bhatti** (Meriden and Solihull East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he plans to ringfence official
 development assistance for women and girls in Afghanistan. (36458)
- 71 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 4 February 2025 to
 Question 28556 on International Day of Education, how much funding his Department
 will provide in (a) 2025-26 and (b) subsequent years for (i) girls' education overseas, (ii)
 Education Cannot Wait and (iii) the Global Partnership for Education. (36405)
- 72 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department is taking steps to
 ensure that aid reclassified as international climate finance provides additional finance to
 developing countries. (36406)
- 73 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking ensure
 the (a) effectiveness and (b) adequacy of the delivery of international climate finance
 spending planned for the (i) final two years of the 2021-2026 funding period and (ii) other
 years.

 (36407)
- 74 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much and what proportion of expenditure
 on international climate finance will have been with (a) multilateral organisations and (b)
 development banks in each financial year between 2020-21 and 2025-26. (36410)
- 75 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what estimate he has made of (a) overspends and (b) underspends in the International Climate Finance budget. (36411)
- 76 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what amount of International Climate Finance
 funding is (a) allocated and (b) distributed via other Government departments. (36412)
- 77 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has held recent discussions with his Turkish counterpart on the ongoing legal proceedings against Ekrem İmamoğlu. (36366)
- 78 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has met his counterparts in Jamaica since taking office. (36367)
- 79 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential implications for its policies of Jamaica's legislative steps to remove His Majesty King Charles III as head of state. (36368)

- 80 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department is collaborating with international partners to support Guyana's territorial integrity. (36369)
- 81 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has met with the High Commissioner of Guyana since taking office. (36370)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of recent changes in the Commonwealth Fund for Technical Co-operation on (a) capacity building, (b) technical assistance, (c) development projects and (d) the implications for UK-funded initiatives.
- 83 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent progress has been made on adopting publicly accessible registers of beneficial ownership in the British Overseas Territories. (36372)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help (a) support economic (i) development and (i) diversification and (b) reduce reliance on financial services in British Overseas Territories. (36373)
- 85 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help support British Overseas Territories to (a) tackle illegal fishing and (b) protect marine biodiversity. (36374)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help support British Overseas Territories to improve their disaster (a) preparedness and (b) response capabilities in the context of trends in the number of natural disasters. (36375)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department is taking steps to help support the Commissioner for South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands following the grounding of iceberg A23a.

 (36376)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had recent discussions with his US counterpart on the (a) proposed designation of Mexican drug cartels as terrorist organisations and (b) the potential impact of that proposal on UK-Mexico relations. (36377)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of energy reform policies in Mexico on investment by British companies in the renewable energy sector in that country.

 (36378)

- **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department is taking steps with regional partners to help prevent illegal gold mining operations in (a) Honduras and (b) Guatemala. (36379)
- **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with his Canadian counterpart on the potential impact of interprovincial trade barriers on UK-Canada trade relations. (36380)
- 92 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential implications of for his policies of recent changes in Canada's border security measures for UK citizens traveling to Canada. (36381)
- **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with Canadian authorities on the preservation of the endangered Vancouver Island marmot and its implications for UK-Canada biodiversity initiatives. (36382)
- **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the recent discovery of lithium deposits in Quebec on UK-Canada energy cooperation. (36383)
- **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to engage with CARICOM authorities on the issue of freedom of movement for CARICOM nationals and its implications for UK citizens in the region. (36384)
- **Steve Barclay** (North East Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of (a) 14 February 2025 to Question 30619 on Deportation and (b) 25 February 2025 to Question 33426, how many appeals against deportation orders have sought to rely on rights under the ECHR in the most recent period for which figures are available for and in which a manual review would not be of disproportionate cost.
- **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many (a) men, (b) women, (c) male children and (d) female children have come to the UK via the Afghan Citizens Resettlement Scheme since 6 January 2022. (36480)
- **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the hon. Member for Blaenau Gwent and Rhymney, representing the House of Commons Commission, what proportion of food procured by the Houses of Parliament is sourced in the UK. (36358)
- **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the average time taken was for the issuing of security clearances by his Department for businesses in the defence sector in the latest period for which data is available. (36428)

- James Cartlidge (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether there have been any changes to the process of issuing security clearances to representatives of defence businesses by his Department since 5 July 2024. (36429)
- James Cartlidge (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the £1.6bn funding for air defence missiles announced on 2 March 2025, whether he has held discussions with relevant stakeholders on a potential expansion of the Belfast manufacturing site.
- 102 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he plans to implement the Modernised Accommodation Offer. (36431)
- James Cartlidge (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when the VXE30 drone will reach minimum deployable capability. (36432)
- 104 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when Indago 4 will reach minimum deployable capability. (36433)
- 105 James Cartlidge (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the out of service date is for Desert Hawk III. (36434)
- 106 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what progress he has made on Project Tiquila. (36435)
- 107 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the deployment of Peregrine on HMS Lancaster. (36436)
- 108 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he plans to expand the deployment of Peregrine on naval vessels beyond HMS Lancaster. (36437)
- 109 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what proportion of food procured by his Department is sourced in the UK. (36360)
- 110 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential impact on European security of a drawdown of US Air Force in Europe United Kingdom (USAFE-UK) forces; and what discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the potential impact of such a drawdown for local economies in areas surrounding USAFE-UK bases. (36468)
- 111 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential suitability of developing a capability similar to the USAF's Light Attack Experiment to provide close air support in operations characterised by UK air dominance for the (a) Royal Air Force or (b) Army Air Corps. (36469)

- 112 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many (a) men, (b) women, (c) male children and (d) female children have come to the UK via the Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy since 1 April 2021. (36481)
- 113 **Cameron Thomas** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of the presence of asbestos at Ashchurch military barracks since 2019. (36567)
- 114 Cameron Thomas (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of asbestos on sites owned by his Department on (a) local communities and (b) surrounding infrastructure. (36568)
- Gideon Amos (Taunton and Wellington): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, whether her Department is taking steps to help
 reduce delays in Building Safety Regulator processes that relate to the construction of (a)
 social and (b) affordable homes. (36540)
- Julia Buckley (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a statutory private parking code of practice. (36527)
- Julia Buckley (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she has had recent discussions with private parking firms on issuing penalty charge notices where a person has paid for parking but has made a mistake in keying in the car registration number. (36529)
- 118 **Sir Iain Duncan Smith** (Chingford and Woodford Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the potential implications for her policies of the submission by Historic England on potential impact of the Royal Mint Court Development on the Tower of London. (36353)
- 119 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to restructure London Boroughs.
 (36414)
- 120 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,

 Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to convert existing leasehold flats
 to commonhold tenure; and whether conversion will be voluntary. (36415)
- 121 **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 the (a) abolition of ground rents and (b) creation of commonhold tenure on the
 purchase price of new build flats.

 (36416)

- **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the potential
 impact of the Commonwealth and Leasehold Reform Act 2002 on types of tenure used in
 new build development. (36417)
- **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, for what reason BRE group will continue to certify
 (a) cladding, (b) insulation and (c) other products. (36418)
- **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, with reference to the Grenfell Tower Inquiry Phase
 2 Report: Government response, published on 26 February 2025, what her planned
 timetable is for (a) primary and (b) secondary legislation on (i) fire and (ii) building
 safety.

 (36419)
- **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, with reference to the Grenfell Tower Inquiry Phase
 2 Report: Government response, published on 26 February 2025, what her planned
 timetable is for the publicly available record of public inquiry recommendations. (36420)
- **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 25 February 2025 to
 Question 31491 on Housing: Windows, whether her Department holds records of which
 local authorities have issued Article 4 directions for removing permitted development
 rights. (36421)
- **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of trends in the level
 of service charges for (a) unadopted roads and (b) community spaces in (i) new build
 housing and (ii) private estate developments. (36422)
- **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, with reference to the Grenfell Tower Inquiry Phase
 2 Report: Government response, published on 26 February 2025, whether she plans to
 implement recommendations accepted in principle in full. (36423)
- **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, whether her Department collects data on the
 number of known rough sleepers that have been offered statutory support by local
 authorities. (36424)
- **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of making telecommunications companies statutory consultees in the planning process for new housing developments. (36512)

- Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, with reference to the National Planning Policy
 Framework published in December 2024, what her Department's definitions of (a) grey belt and (b) green belt are.

 (36394)
- Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, with reference to the National Planning Policy
 Framework, published in December 2024, what instruction has been given to the planning inspectorate on determining land as grey belt. (36396)
- 133 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, what estimate her Department has made of the
 number of empty retail units in town centres; and what assessment she has made of the
 potential merits of introducing new (a) grants and (b) funding streams to encourage
 small businesses to occupy vacant spaces.
 (36397)
- 134 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,

 Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to support (a) councils and

 (b) local authorities to improve high streets. (36398)
- 135 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 6 March 2025 to Question 34056 on Fire and Rescue Services: Finance, what specific elements of the Settlement Funding Assessment use population data from the 2001 Census. (36478)
- 136 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what the 2013 population projection from the 2011 Census used in the Settlement Funding Assessment estimates the population of Cambridgeshire to be in that year.

 (36479)
- 137 Ian Roome (North Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to regulate increases in service charges; and what steps she is taking to bring into force the legislative provisions of the Leasehold and Freehold Reform Act 2024 relating to service charges. (36510)
- 138 **David Smith** (North Northumberland): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,

 Communities and Local Government, what discussions she has had with the homelessness
 sector on tackling youth homelessness. (36537)
- David Smith (North Northumberland): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, whether her Department has made a comparative
 assessment between (a) young adults and (b) other age groups experience of
 homelessness; and if she will address young adult's needs specifically in the homelessness
 strategy.

 (36538)

- Blake Stephenson (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, with reference to her Department's press release
 Government unveils plans for next generation of new towns, published on 13 February
 2025, how the £20 million to help transform neglected small-scale council-owned sites
 into new homes for areas most in need will be distributed.

 [R] (36494)
- 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 13
 February 2025, whether the £51.5m funding to drive regeneration and brownfield deliver is
 additional to funding outlined at the Autumn Budget 2024. (36495)
- Blake Stephenson (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, with reference to the Minister for Housing and
 Planning's oral contribution of 3 March 2025, Official Report, columns 3 and 4, for what
 reasons her Department has not discussed the suitability of potential locations for new
 towns with the New Towns Taskforce.

 (36496)
- Blake Stephenson (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, with reference to the Minister for Housing and
 Planning's oral contribution of 3 March 2025, Official Report, column 4, if she will set out
 the incentives her Department will offer to local authorities for new towns.

 [R] (36497)
- 144 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the Minister for Housing and Planning's oral contribution of 3 March 2025 in response to a Question from the hon. Member for Mid Bedfordshire, Official Report, columns 3 and 4, if she will publish guidance on what would happen if a local planning authority was unable to meet its housing target due to construction of a new town on its available sustainable development area. [R] (36498)
- 145 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, with reference to the Minister for Housing and
 Planning's oral contribution of 3 March 2025, Official Report, columns 3 and 4, what her
 Department's policy is on whether local authorities that accept new towns will be subject
 to the duty to co-operate for local plans.

 [R] (36499)
- 146 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, with reference to the Minister for Housing and
 Planning's oral contribution of 3 March 2025, Official Report, columns 3 and 4, what her
 Department's policy is on whether housing supplied pursuant to a New Towns Taskforce
 recommendation can be included in a local authority's Five year housing land supply
 calculation.

 [R] (36500)

- **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, with reference to the Minister for Housing and
 Planning's oral contribution of 3 March 2025, Official Report, columns 3 and 4, whether the
 New Towns Taskforce can recommend more than one new town in a local authority area.

 [R] (36501)
- Blake Stephenson (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, with reference to her Department's policy paper
 entitled New Towns Taskforce: Terms of Reference, published on 18 September 2024, if she
 will make an assessment of the New Towns Taskforce's performance in engaging with (a)
 central government, (b) local government and (c) external stakeholders under paragraph
 6(b) of those terms of reference.
- Julia Buckley (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what recent assessment she has made of the effectiveness of the Solicitors Regulation Authority in investigating complaints on solicitor conduct. (36525)
- **Julia Buckley** (Shrewsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what recent assessment she has made of effectiveness of the Legal Ombudsman in processing complaints in a timely manner. (36526)
- **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what proportion of food procured by her Department is sourced in the UK. (36361)
- **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 7 March to Question 34375 on Elections: Disqualification Orders, how many prosecutions have been made under the Elections Act 2022. (36476)
- **James Wild** (North West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of amending legislation so that driving disqualification periods commence at the end of any custodial sentence imposed. (36455)
- **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what proportion of food procured by his Department is sourced in (a) the UK and (b) Northern Ireland. (36364)
- **Chris Law** (Dundee Central): To ask the Prime Minister, with reference to his speech entitled, Prime Minister's remarks from the plenary session at the first UK-Ireland Summit: 6 March 2025, what steps he is taking to work more closely with the EU to (a) boost trade, (b) create jobs and (c) deliver economic growth. (36413)
- **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, what proportion of food procured by his Department is sourced in (a) the UK and (b) Scotland. (36362)

- 157 Dr Scott Arthur (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she plans to provide additional funding to the Scottish Government for the cost of additional National Insurance contributions in the public sector from the 2025-26 financial year. (36531)
- Dame Caroline Dinenage (Gosport): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much and what proportion of funding made available through the Equitable Life Payment

 Scheme was returned to her Department. (36390)
- 159 **Mr James Frith** (Bury North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment has she made of the potential merits of increasing the alcohol-free threshold from 0.05% ABV to 0.5% ABV. (36443)
- 160 **Mr James Frith** (Bury North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of (a) extended producer responsibility fees and (b) other taxes increases on the viability of UK breweries. (36444)
- 161 **Mr James Frith** (Bury North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps she is taking to encourage (a) investment and (b) growth in the beer and pub sector through reforming business rates. (36445)
- 162 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of lowering the Housing Benefit taper rate and increasing the applicable amount for young people in supported housing to reduce barriers to employment. (36487)
- Tom Morrison (Cheadle): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate her Department has made of the potential cost savings to the Treasury from increasing employment among young people in supported accommodation through benefit reform.

 (36488)
- 164 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps she is taking to help mitigate the impact of public sector pay settlements for 2025 on inflation.

 (36400)
- 165 **Patrick Spencer** (Central Suffolk and North Ipswich): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether the forecasts for input VAT reclaimable by private schools are in line with Revenue and Customs Brief 16 being issued. (36547)
- Patrick Spencer (Central Suffolk and North Ipswich): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether food for (a) people living at school and (b) people living at home will have VAT payable on it under the VAT guidance published in November 2024 by HMRC. (36548)

- **Patrick Spencer** (Central Suffolk and North Ipswich): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much input VAT is forecast to be repayable to private schools for the first quarter that the VAT is levied; how much output VAT is expected to be raised from private schools in the first quarter; and what the net payment is to private schools for the first quarter of this implementation. (36549)
- Patrick Spencer (Central Suffolk and North Ipswich): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much input VAT is forecast to be repayable to private schools for the first quarter that the VAT is levied; how much output VAT is expected to be raised from these schools from these schools in the first quarter; and what the net payment to private schools is for the first quarter of this implementation under the current HMRC interpretation of the guidance. (36550)
- **Patrick Spencer** (Central Suffolk and North Ipswich): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she plans to adapt the VAT penalty regime for private schools in the context of the publication of comprehensive guidance by HMRC. (36551)
- **Patrick Spencer** (Central Suffolk and North Ipswich): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she plans to introduce leniency provisions for private schools through the initial implementation of VAT. (36552)
- **Patrick Spencer** (Central Suffolk and North Ipswich): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if HMRC will extend the 30-day challenge period for instances where they disallow VAT. (36553)
- Patrick Spencer (Central Suffolk and North Ipswich): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether the forecasts for input VAT reclaimable by private schools are in line with Revenue and Customs Brief 16 (2016) being issued. (36554)
- **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, what proportion of food procured by her Department is sourced in (a) the UK and (b) Wales. (36363)
- **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what discussions she has had with the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care on supporting women living with a musculoskeletal condition. (36507)
- **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what discussions she has had with the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology on supporting research into women's health. (36508)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 12 March

- Clive Jones (Wokingham): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what estimate the UK Statistics Authority has made of the number of pubs in Wokingham constituency in January (a) 2019, (b) 2020, (c) 2021, (d) 2022, (e) 2023, (f) 2024 and (g) 2025; and which constituency in (a) England, (b) the South East and (c) Berkshire has the most pubs. (36530)
- 2N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Epping Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that Government-funded tree planting schemes are avoiding planting sycamore trees adjacent to, or near to, known equine grazing areas, in the context of the causative link between exposure to sycamore trees and seeds and (a) equine atypical myopathy and (b) hypoglycin A toxicity. [R] (36459)
- 3N **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will publish a new national strategy for tackling littering. (36460)
- 4N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she made an assessment of the potential impact of relocating HM Coastguard's mud rescue capability from Coleraine to Bangor on the (a) North Coast and (b) North West.
- 5N **Calum Miller** (Bicester and Woodstock): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, which regions have the longest driving test waiting times; and what steps her Department is taking to reduce delays in these regions. (36565)
- 6N **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to help tackle litter along (a) motorways and (b) dual carriageways.

 (36461)
- 7N **Graham Leadbitter** (Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of changing the replacement rate to the Statutory Sick Pay lower earnings limit on people on this limit.

 (36543)
- 8N **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 3 March 2025 to Question 33016 on Pension Credit: Aldridge-Brownhills, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of publishing data on the number of outstanding Pension Credit claims at the constituency level. (36402)
- 9N **Dr Danny Chambers** (Winchester): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will take steps to ensure that the level of funding for mental health services (a) reflects changes in service demand and (b) address the current imbalance of resource allocation between mental and physical health. (36555)

- 10N **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what the annual cost to the public purse is of
 maintaining the Chagos Marine Protected Area. (36452)
- 11N **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential
 impact of the proposed treaty with Mauritius on the Chagos Islands on the long term
 sustainability of the Chagos Marine Protected Area. (36453)
- 12N **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much funding his Department has provided through the Blue Belt Programme to help protect ocean health in the British Indian Ocean
 Territories since 2022. (36454)
- 13N **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to ensure
 that (a) gender equity and (b) the needs of (i) women, (ii) indigenous groups, (iii) people
 with disabilities and (iv) other vulnerable communities are prioritised in international
 climate finance initiatives. (36408)
- 14N **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent progress his Department has made
 on increasing private finance through (a) British International Investment and (b) British
 Investment Partnerships to help meet the UK's international climate finance targets; and
 how private finance is being targeted towards (i) low-income countries and (ii) climatevulnerable regions. (36409)
- 15N **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions his Department has had
 with the (a) Iraqi Government and (b) Kurdish Regional Government on (a) resolving the
 teachers' dispute and (b) protecting workers' rights in Iraqi Kurdistan. (36462)
- 16N **Luke Myer** (Middlesbrough South and East Cleveland): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department has had recent discussions with the (a) Football Association and (b) Football Association of Wales on increasing the level of football clubs' contributions to policing costs at matches; and what steps she is taking to reduce the burden on police budgets of policing football matches. (36515)
- 17N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people from (a) Guinea-Bissau and (b) Portugal have entered the UK by (i) age and (ii) ethnicity since 2010. (36470)
- 18N Ben Obese-Jecty (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many children from (a) Guinea-Bissau and (b) Portugal have left the UK permanently since 2010.
 (36471)

- 19N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many cases of child-trafficking have been investigated in Cambridgeshire since 2010.

 (36472)
- 20N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential implication for his policies of the decision by the US to pause intelligence sharing with Ukraine. (36425)
- 21N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the decision by the US to pause intelligence sharing with Ukraine on the use of Storm Shadow missiles supplied by Britain.

 (36426)
- 22N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the decision by the US to pause intelligence sharing with Ukraine on the use of UK RC-135W Rivet Joint to support intelligence gathering for Ukraine. (36427)
- 23N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 7 March 2025 to Question 35428 on Boxer Vehicles: Procurement, what is the delivery schedule for Mechanised Infantry Vehicles (BOXER) during the period 2025 to 2027 by (a) month and (b) brigade. (36482)
- 24N **Steff Aquarone** (North Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the use of lower layer super output areas to define eligible postcodes for the Warm Homes Local Grant; and whether she has made an assessment of the effectiveness of that criteria in supporting households in poverty.

 [R] (36524)
- 25N **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, with reference to the National Planning Policy
 Framework, published in December 2024, what steps she plans to take to ensure
 consultation with local communities before any developments are approved on grey belt
 land.

 (36395)
- 26N **Kirith Entwistle** (Bolton North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, when she plans to respond to (a) Question 34399 on Legal Costs: Low Incomes and (b) Question 34403 on Sentencing: Legal Costs, tabled on 27 February 2025. (36493)
- 27N **John McDonnell** (Hayes and Harlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what recent discussions her Department has had with private prison operators on the right of prison officers to take industrial action. (36354)
- 28N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will make an estimate of the cumulative number of years of experience held by prison officers in each year since 2010. (36385)

- 29N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will make an estimate of the cumulative number of years of experience held by probation officers in each year since 2021. (36386)
- 30N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many incidents of (a) attrition, (b) sickness absence and (c) work-related stress there were for probation officers in each region in the most recent period for which data is available. (36387)
- 31N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the capacity of accredited probation programmes is in each region. (36388)
- 32N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what estimate she has made of the amount of time off in lieu that was accrued by probation officers in each year since 2021; and how much and what proportion of this time was (a) taken and (b) rolled over.
- 33N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the Prime Minister's Oral Statement of 25 February 2025 on Defence and Security, whether all of the announced uplift to defence spending will be allocated to the Ministry of Defence.
- 34N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the Prime Minister's Oral Statement of 25 February 2025 on Defence and Security, whether she plans to hold any of the announced uplift to defence spending as a reserve. (36439)
- 35N **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she has had discussions with Cabinet colleagues on using funding reallocated from the Overseas Development Assistance budget to fund the Chagos settlement. (36451)
- 36N **Calum Miller** (Bicester and Woodstock): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to her speech entitled Chancellor vows to go further and faster to kickstart economic growth on 29 January 2025, which Minister is responsible for the Oxford-Cambridge Growth Corridor. (36563)
- 37N **Calum Miller** (Bicester and Woodstock): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the level of (a) physical and (b) social infrastructure needed for the Oxford-Cambridge Growth Corridor to achieve its aims. (36564)
- 38N **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment she has made of the potential impact of changes to Agricultural Property Relief (APR) on the ability of farming families to pass on agricultural (a) businesses and (b) property to future generations.

Questions for Answer on Thursday 13 March

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Rebecca Smith** (South West Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the level of energy costs on businesses.

 [Transferred] (903168)
- 2N **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to support landlords to improve the EPC ratings of their properties.

 [Transferred] (36266)
- 3N **Danny Beales** (Uxbridge and South Ruislip): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help tackle the international trading of stolen vehicles.

 [Transferred] (903163)
- 4N **Mr Alistair Carmichael** (Orkney and Shetland): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment she has made of the potential impact of changes to employer National Insurance contributions on small and medium-sized enterprises. [Transferred] (903174)

Questions for Answer on Friday 14 March

- John Milne (Horsham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, on what evidential basis he determined the level of funding through the Rural England Prosperity Fund in the 2025-26 financial year. (36560)
- 2N **John Milne** (Horsham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what proportion of people claiming (a) disability and (b) incapacity benefits with a mental health condition are eligible for those benefits due solely to a mental health condition.(36559)
- 3N **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, which organisations have presented to the Child Poverty Taskforce ministerial advisory sessions; and on what topics. (36440)
- 4N **Luke Myer** (Middlesbrough South and East Cleveland): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of community pharmacy closures on patient access to NHS services in deprived areas. (36518)
- 5N **Luke Myer** (Middlesbrough South and East Cleveland): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to prevent the illegal use of off-road bikes. (36516)

Questions for Answer on Monday 17 March

- 1N **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when her Department plans to make a decision on the extension of transitional protections for free school meal entitlements beyond 31 March 2025. (36463)
- 2N **Sir Julian Smith** (Skipton and Ripon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will meet with the Lobular Moon Shot Project to discuss funding for lobular breast cancer research. (36392)