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Questions tabled on Wednesday 19 March 2025

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Questions for Answer on Thursday 20 March

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the document entitled Cabinet Office: The Rt Hon Sir Keir Starmer KCB KC MP Gifts - 5 July to 31 October 2024, published on 19 February 2025, on what date he the Prime Minister purchased the Taylor Swift merchandise he was given by Universal Music Operations Ltd. with reference to the document entitled Cabinet Office: The Rt Hon Sir Keir Starmer KCB KC MP Gifts - 5 July to 31 October 2024, published on 19 February 2025, on what date the Prime Minister purchased the Taylor Swift merchandise he was given by Universal Music Operations Ltd. [Transferred] (39116)
- 2 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answers of 14 January and 20 February 2025 to Questions 22185 and 30473 on Prime Minister: Furniture and Prime Minister: Press Conferences, for what reason a Labour Party lectern was used at the Plan for Change event; and whether the Labour Party was involved with the organisation of that event. [Transferred] (39118)
- 3 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the National Procurement Policy Statement on 13 February 2025, what discussions his Department has had with representatives of small-to-medium sized enterprises on the potential impact of the (a) National Procurement Policy Statement and (b) Employment Rights Bill on the administration of businesses. [Transferred] (39257)
- 4 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what assessment he has made with Cabinet colleagues on the potential impact of the (a) updated National Procurement Policy Statement and (b) Employment Rights Bill on the capacity of small and medium enterprises to (i) bid for and (ii) undertake public contracts. [Transferred] (39258)

5 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will take steps to introduce a feedback mechanism for small-to-medium sized businesses to report issues relating to the (a) National Procurement Policy Statement procurement criteria and (b) obligations for employers in the Employment Rights Bill. [Transferred] (39259)

6 **Sir Geoffrey Cox** (Torridge and Tavistock): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether his Department has considered providing access to post boxes in new housing developments. [Transferred] (38959)

7 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether the Industrial Strategy Council has met. [Transferred] (38940)

8 **Adam Joge** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he has taken to increase international investment in (a) Newcastle-under-Lyme constituency and b) Staffordshire. [Transferred] (39371)

9 **Adam Joge** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking with his Cabinet colleagues to increase trade between the four nations in the UK. [Transferred] (39373)

10 **Tim Roca** (Macclesfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of the UK joining the pan-Euro-Mediterranean (PEM) convention. [Transferred] (39278)

11 **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Gateshead South): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, for what reason the investment reserves for the (a) Mineworkers Pension Scheme and (b) British Coal Staff Superannuation Scheme were not transferred to members at the same time. [Transferred] (38961)

12 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the press release entitled Households near new pylons to save hundreds on energy bills, published on 10 March 2025, if he will make an estimate of the potential impact of an electricity pylon being erected within 500 meters of an average house on the capital value of that house. [Transferred] (39028)

13 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will take steps to focus public sector procurement on locally produced food. [Transferred] (39080)

14 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, which Department or agency leads on the Cross Government Working Level Group on Indoor Air Quality; how often it has met since Public Health England closed in September 2021; and which Ministers are involved in its meetings. [Transferred] (39057)

15 **Susan Murray** (Mid Dunbartonshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with his Indian counterpart on the release of Jagtar Singh Johal. [Transferred] (39317)

16 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of the enhanced tier of the Foreign Influence Registration Scheme on (a) Russian, (b) Iranian and (c) Chinese interference in democratic processes. [Transferred] (39025)

17 **David Chadwick** (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what support is available for members of the armed forces who have served in Northern Ireland. [Transferred] (39376)

18 **Mr Louie French** (Old Bexley and Sidcup): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 10 March 2025 to Question 34945 on Freedom of Expression, if she will make an assessment of the compatibility of the Youth Parliament's statement in its manifesto 2024-26 that freedom of speech should be balanced against the rights of others, and the law should better reflect this, with the Government commitment to freedom of speech. [Transferred] (39130)

19 **Richard Foord** (Honiton and Sidmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, whether he plans to re-open judicial processes for British military veterans in new legacy legislation. [Transferred] (39143)

20 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what information his Department holds on whether foreign political donations from outside the Republic of Ireland are channelled through Irish (a) people, (b) companies and (c) unincorporated associations to Northern Ireland. [Transferred] (39024)

21 **Alex Easton** (North Down): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate she has made of the potential impact of her Department's proposed welfare reforms on the Northern Ireland block grant. [Transferred] (39368)

22 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if the Department will make an assessment of the potential impact of reducing Business Rate Relief from 75% to 40% on Grassroots Music Venues. [Transferred] (39203)

23 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential implications for her policies of the findings of the report by the Music Venue Trust entitled Annual Report 2024, published on 24 January 2025, on the potential impact of the reduction in business rate relief on (a) grassroots music venues and (b) jobs. [Transferred] (39204)

Questions for Answer on Monday 24 March

Questions for Written Answer

1N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Attorney General, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of referring the sentencing of Nicholas Prosper to the Unduly Lenient Sentence scheme. (39549)

2N **Jim Allister** (North Antrim): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 24 October 2024 to Question 10214 on Crafts: Northern Ireland, whether the Government has made a decision on the vote in the Northern Ireland Assembly on the applicability motion in relation to EU Regulation 2023/2411 on 19 March 2024. (39679)

3 **David Chadwick** (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will bring forward legislative proposals to allow (a) town, (b) community and (c) parish councils to be eligible complainants to ombudsman services. (39811)

4 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 16 December 2024 to Question 18401 on Government People Group: Civil Service, what is the (a) remit and (b) function of the 836 staff in the Government People Group; and what the annual staffing cost of the non fast streamers in that group was in the 2024-25 was in that financial year. (39575)

5 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answers of (a) 26 November 2024 to Question 14705 and (b) 21 October 2024 to Question 8434 on Prime Minister: Aviation, whether the Cabinet Office collates information on which flights (i) use Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) and (ii) the proportion of SAF used. (39576)

6 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the Succession Select AI tool published by his Department on 17 December 2024, whether the First Civil Service Commissioner was consulted about the use of AI for Civil Service appointments. (39577)

7 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 12 December 2024 to Question 17764 on Civil Servants: Remote Working, what the (a) author, (b) title, (c) publication and (d) publication date was of each of the studies on remote working reviewed by his Department. (39579)

8 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many transactions under review under the National Security and Investment Act remain under review beyond the 30-working-day statutory deadline. (39580)

9 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 27 January 2025 to Question 25448 on 48 Group, whether Ministers are permitted to attend meetings of the 48 Group. (39581)

10 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 20 January 2025 to Question 24247 on Public Appointments, on how many occasions Ministers have rejected Advisory Assessment Panel advice and asked that a competition is re-run since 5 July 2024; and for which appointments. (39582)

11 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 16 October 2024 to Question 7344 on Civil Servants: Pay, what the estimated salary cost for 2025 was projected to be in (a) March 2025 and (b) June 2024. (39583)

12 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what the average salary cost of a civil servant was in each year between 2009 and 2024. (39584)

13 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 13 January 2025 to Question 21391 on Cabinet Office: Christmas, if he will publish the guidance on away days, staff days and celebrations. (39586)

14 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 28 January 2025 to Question 24882 on Tulip Siddiq, how many staff work in the (a) Independent Adviser's secretariat and (b) Propriety and Ethics directorate excluding that secretariat. (39587)

15 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 26 November 2024 to Question 14099 on Permanent Secretaries: Recruitment, what his planned timetable is for the implementation of those recommendations. (39588)

16 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what estimate the Office for National Statistics has made of the change in headcount of the public sector since June 2024. (39589)

17 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what guidance he has issued on publishing (a) details of individual helicopter flights under £25,000 in value on gov.uk and (b) the total annual spend on helicopter flights by (i) each Department and (ii) all Departments. (39687)

18 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to (a) the Answer of 6 March 2025 to Question 34453 on Prime Minister: Aviation and (b) his letter to the hon. Member for Isle of Wight East of 13 March 2025 on helicopter travel, if he will publish an aggregate figure for the total cost of the Prime Minister's domestic air travel since 4 July 2024 that does not reveal granular movements. (39688)

19 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what information his Department holds on the number of civil service employees under performance management procedures. (39701)

20N **Dame Harriett Baldwin** (West Worcestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether his Department made an assessment of the potential impact of changes made to (a) National Insurance and (b) the National Living Wage at the Autumn Budget 2024 on the number of apprenticeships offered by high street businesses. (39407)

21N **Dame Harriett Baldwin** (West Worcestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what information his Department holds on the number and proportion of (a) hairdressing and (b) beauty businesses that are considering closing in the next 12 months. (39408)

22 **Sarah Gibson** (Chippenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of a minerals trade deal between the US and Ukraine. (39749)

23 **Sarah Gibson** (Chippenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of a minerals trade deal between the US and Ukraine on the UK's Critical Minerals Strategy. (39751)

24 **Tracy Gilbert** (Edinburgh North and Leith): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what estimate his Department has made of the number of employees who will benefit from the increase in national minimum wage rates in Edinburgh North and Leith constituency. (39755)

25N **Mary Glindon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will take steps to require the largest (a) public and (b) private companies to have (i) an Audit Committee and (ii) an internal audit function, in the context of the collapse of ISG. (39413)

26N **Mary Glindon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make an assessment of the potential (a) costs and (b) merits of making internal audit functions a mandatory requirement for all contractors delivering public sector infrastructure projects. (39414)

27N **Mary Glindon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he has made an assessment of the potential merits of giving the Audit, Reporting and Governance Authority the statutory power to sanction all company directors. (39415)

28N **Mary Glindon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of widening the definition of a public interest entity in the context of (a) BHS, (b) Bulb and (c) ISG. (39417)

29 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to support the ceramics industry in Staffordshire. (39664)

30 **Adam Joge** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to help increase trade with countries in sub-Saharan Africa. [R] (39665)

31N **Ruth Jones** (Newport West and Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what estimate his Department has made of (a) the amount of scrap metal produced in the UK, (b) the maximum demand for scrap metal that can be used in the UK and (c) the impact that a ban on scrap metal exports would have on the UK economy and metals recycling sector. (39562)

32N **Ruth Jones** (Newport West and Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of adopting minimum recycled content requirements for (a) new infrastructure projects and (b) finished steels. (39563)

33N **Mr Paul Kohler** (Wimbledon): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of energy costs on nightlife businesses. [R] (39776)

34 **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to the Prime Minister's Oral Statement of 25 February 2025 on Defence and Security, Official Report, columns 361-364, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of reducing Official Development Assistance funding as a proportion of Gross National Income on UK businesses. (39528)

35 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent assessment he has made of the impact of bank branch closures on local (a) residents and (b) businesses in market towns in Surrey Heath constituency. (39780)

36 **Melanie Ward** (Cowdenbeath and Kirkcaldy): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many people in Cowdenbeath and Kirkcaldy constituency have received compensation through the Post Office Horizon redress schemes. (39770)

37 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of Q95 of the oral evidence given by the Chief of Policy of the Confederation of British Business to the Business and Trade Select Committee on 11 February 2025. (39651)

38 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to support the (a) beer and (b) pub sector to increase (i) economic growth and (ii) business investment in the context of his industrial strategy. (39707)

39 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent assessment his Department has made of the potential contribution of the (a) brewery and distillery and (b) pub sector to (i) economic growth and (ii) job creation. (39708)

40 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether his Department is taking steps to help protect the (a) brewery, (b) distillery and (c) pub sector from US tariffs. (39709)

41 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will publish details of all active export licences. (39787)

42 **Iqbal Mohamed** (Dewsbury and Batley): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she plans to take steps to help fund the repair and reopening of Dewsbury Sports Centre. (39750)

43 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, with reference to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government's press release entitled Bureaucratic burden lifted to speed up building in growth agenda, published on 10 March 2025, whether she has had discussions with the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government on the potential impact of removing the Theatres Trust as a statutory consultee on the creative industries. (39783)

44 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, with reference to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government's press release entitled Bureaucratic burden lifted to speed up building in growth agenda, published on 10 March 2025, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of removing the Theatres Trust as a statutory consultee on the creative industries. (39785)

45 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will make an estimate of the economic contribution of live theatre to the creative industry. (39786)

46 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, with reference to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government's press release entitled Bureaucratic burden lifted to speed up building in growth agenda, published on 10 March 2025, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of removing Sport England as a statutory consultee on grassroots sport. (39788)

47N **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, when she plans to respond to the letter of 4 February 2025 from the hon. Member for Henley and Thame on the Stop Killing Games Campaign. (39716)

48 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to help improve the (a) recruitment and (b) retention of school teachers. (39702)

49 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to help improve the terms and conditions of teachers in the public sector. (39703)

50N **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what discussions she is having with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on the future of the Adoption and Special Guardian Support Fund. (39569)

51N **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she is taking steps to ensure the continuance of the funding for the Adoption and Special Guardian Support Fund after March 2025. (39570)

52N **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the level of (a) importance of the Adoption and Special Guardian Support Fund to families with adopted children and (b) funding provided to families out of the Fund in the last reported financial year. (39571)

53N **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the potential merits of increasing musical and wider cultural education alongside the child poverty reduction strategy. (39566)

54N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate she has made of the number of families unable to access the Support for Families with Disabilities grant scheme due to oversubscription in 2024-25. (39481)

55 **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to confirm the future of the Support for Families with Disabilities grant scheme for future financial years. (39482)

56N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department conducted an equality impact assessment prior to the decision to withdraw funding for non-specialist disabled students' allowance software. (39485)

57N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, for what reasons her Department has withdrawn funding for non-specialist disabled students' allowance software. (39486)

58N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what her planned timetable is for launching the kinship allowance trial scheme; and if she will make a statement. (39487)

59 **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how her Department plans to assess the outcomes of the kinship allowance trial scheme. (39488)

60 **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, which local authority areas have been selected to take part in the kinship allowance trial scheme. (39489)

61 **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what discussions she has had with the Future of Work Cabinet Committee on (a) employment support and (b) paid employment leave for kinship carers. (39490)

62 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what criteria will be used to determine how the new growth and skills levy may be spent; and whether a criteria will be published. (39389)

63N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, on what date the minutes of her meeting with Katharine Birbalsingh were (a) written and (b) edited. (39574)

64 **Sonia Kumar** (Dudley): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much funding has been allocated for STEM professional development from April 2025; and how teachers will access this funding. (39799)

65 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to increase the flexibility of the apprenticeship levy for small businesses. (39695)

66N **Calum Miller** (Bicester and Woodstock): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when she plans to answer Questions (a) 36322, (b) 36323 and (c) 36324, tabled by the hon. Member for Bicester and Woodstock on 6 March 2025. (39685)

67 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment she has made of the potential impact of covid-19 on the long-term (a) educational attainment and (b) mental well-being of school children in Surrey Heath constituency. (39773)

68 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to improve mental health support for children with special educational needs in Surrey Heath constituency. (39775)

69 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she has taken to protect teachers from assaults in schools in Surrey Heath constituency. (39779)

70 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to promote healthy eating in schools. (39430)

71 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that (a) GCSE and (b) equivalent assessments in (i) Mathematics and (ii) English prioritise the evaluation of students' analytical and problem-solving skills. (39620)

72 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of changes made by exam boards on pupils (a) with SEND and (b) with poor working memory. (39621)

73 **Ian Sollom** (St Neots and Mid Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to improve the infrastructure available to provide (a) physical education and (b) outdoor activities in schools. (39673)

74 **Ian Sollom** (St Neots and Mid Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to help schools deliver (a) physical education and (b) school sports initiatives. (39675)

75 **Ian Sollom** (St Neots and Mid Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will take steps to reinstate the Business Engagement Forum to help ensure collaboration between officials in her Department and industry leaders. (39745)

76 **Cameron Thomas** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment her Department has made of the adequacy of the allocation of funding for (a) PE and (b) Sports Premium in Gloucestershire. (39761)

77N **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to help support the recruitment of qualified learning support assistants. (39717)

78 **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of extending the Adoption and special guardianship support fund beyond March 2025. (39734)

79 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what guidance her Department has issued on the use of third-party consultants by local authorities to (a) assess and (b) re-assess EHC plans. (39656)

80 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what guidance her Department issues to local authorities on determining the level of funding allocated for each EHC plan. (39657)

81 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 19 March 2025 to Question 37398 on Adoption and Special Guardianship Support Fund, will if she will respond to the email from the hon. Member for Newton Abbot on the Adoption and Special Guardianship Support Fund after the spending review. (39772)

82N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to manage the environmental impact of installing overground pylons. (39526)

83 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, which city GB Energy executive staff will be based. (39530)

84 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what plans his Department has for his existing departmental offices in Aberdeen. (39531)

85 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether his Department has identified suitable locations in Aberdeen in which to house the headquarters of GB Energy. (39532)

86 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what discussions he has had with BP on the company's new strategy to prioritise oil and gas production over investment in renewable energy; and whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of this decision on the Government's green strategy. (39666)

87 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment his Department has made of the impact of BP's decision to scale back investment in renewable energy and increase investment in oil and gas on their ability to be a credible partner in the transition to renewable energy. (39667)

88 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of BP's plan to scale back renewable energy investment on achieving the UK's 2030 target to reduce emissions by 68% compared to 1990 levels. (39668)

89 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he has had discussions with his counterpart in Brazil on the four-lane highway through protected Amazon rainforest being built for the COP30 climate summit in the Brazilian city of Belém. (39669)

90 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent assessment he has made of the potential impact of changes to the British Coal Staff Superannuation Scheme on the living standards of the recipients of that pension in Newcastle-under-Lyme constituency. (39663)

91N **Ruth Jones** (Newport West and Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of differentiating the emissions associated between pre- and post-consumer scrap metal in the UK Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism. (39564)

92 **Lincoln Jopp** (Spelthorne): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he has made an assessment of the water quality of water from places with floating solar panels on the source. (39741)

93 **Satvir Kaur** (Southampton Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he has considered extending the funding of the Community Energy Fund. (39714)

94N **Sir Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, pursuant to the Answer of 18 March 2025 to Question 37979 on Natural Gas: Imports, what the minimum safety criteria are with which a shale gas company must comply when plugging an unused well; and who monitors compliance with safety standards. (39384)

95 **Mr Angus MacDonald** (Inverness, Skye and West Ross-shire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of pre-configured smart meters on radio teleswitch service customers who are unable to switch to a smart meter. (39781)

96 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, pursuant to the Answer of 19 March to Question 37365 on Photovoltaics: Import Controls, what steps he is taking to monitor the Solar Stewardship Initiative. (39645)

97 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, pursuant to the Answer of 19 March 2025 to Question 37365 on Photovoltaics: Import Controls, what steps he has taken with Cabinet colleagues to tackle forced labour in global supply chains in the manufacture of solar panels. (39646)

98 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, pursuant to the Answer 19 March 2025 to Question 37370 on Infrastructure, what the evidential basis is for his decision to raise the solar threshold for Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects from 50MW to 100MW. (39647)

99 **John Whitby** (Derbyshire Dales): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what plans he has to support community-based energy projects. (39760)

100 **Sir Gavin Williamson** (Stone, Great Wyrley and Penkridge): 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 the alleged use of slave labour within the supply chains for solar panels. (39412)

101N **Claire Young** (Thornbury and Yate): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an assessment of recent trends in the level of smart meter failures (a) during installation and (b) in the weeks after installation. (39764)

102N **Claire Young** (Thornbury and Yate): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what data his Department holds on the number of smart meter failures broken down by (a) installing company, (b) type of smart meter and (c) local authority. (39765)

103N **Claire Young** (Thornbury and Yate): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what the cost to the public purse was of spending to support the installation of smart meters in financial years (a) 2022-23, (b) 2023-24 and (c) 2024-25. (39766)

104N **Claire Young** (Thornbury and Yate): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department plans to take to help community energy projects secure appropriate minimum prices for the power generated. (39767)

105N **Claire Young** (Thornbury and Yate): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of taking legislative steps to establish community energy clubs. (39768)

106 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions (a) he and (b) his Department had with the (i) Scotland Office and (ii) Department for Business and Trade on the application for an English Whisky geographical indication prior to the submission of that application. (39529)

107N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, for what reason Natural England's annual report and accounts for 2023/24 have not yet been presented to Parliament; and what his planned timetable is for its publication. (39385)

108 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 9 August 2024 to Question HL407 on Rodenticides: Safety, to which species the Government Oversight Group is considering extending the monitoring of Second-Generation Anticoagulant Rodenticide residues. (39686)

109 **Anna Gelderd** (South East Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department plans to hold a public consultation ahead of the reapproval process for glyphosate in December 2025. (39684)

110 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of implementation of the Aarhus Convention. (39470)

111 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to encourage public bodies to prioritise the purchase of produce from (a) Newcastle-under-Lyme and (b) Staffordshire. (39671)

112N **Ruth Jones** (Newport West and Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of a nationwide kerbside collection for lithium-ion batteries and small Waste from Electrical and Electronic Equipment. (39565)

113 **Afzal Khan** (Manchester Rusholme): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of increasing extended producer responsibility collection targets for glass bottles to 90%. (39552)

114 **Afzal Khan** (Manchester Rusholme): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions he has had with the Welsh Government on aligning the UK-wide bottle return scheme with the planned scheme for Wales. (39553)

115 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the closure of the Sustainable Farming Incentive on the effectiveness of the Environmental Land Management scheme. (39437)

116 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will take steps he is taking to help increase the freshwater pearl mussel population. (39435)

117 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, further to his Department's policy paper, Government response to the independent review of protected site management on Dartmoor: full report, published 11 April 2024, if he will increase investment in agri-environmental funds for Dartmoor National Park. (39658)

118 **Dan Aldridge** (Weston-super-Mare): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions he has had with Meta on preventing the sale of illegal e-bikes on their marketplace platform. (39769)

119N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of Meta's content reporting procedures. (39527)

120 **Alex Brewer** (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether his Department (a) monitors and (b) regulates the use of AI in apps aimed at children and teenagers. (39810)

121 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment he has made of proposals to (a) integrate geospatial data into the National Data Library and (b) review licensing barriers to its use. (39534)

122 **Amanda Hack** (North West Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, how many animals housed in (a) UK laboratories, (b) breeding centres and (c) universities were not used in scientific procedures in 2023. (39797)

123 **Amanda Hack** (North West Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, how many unused animals originally acquired for scientific procedures were euthanized in 2023 due to (a) a surplus to requirement and (b) any other reason. (39798)

124 **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps his Department is taking to help prevent the public provision of personally identifiable information online. (39491)

125 **Dr Neil Shastri-Hurst** (Solihull West and Shirley): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, how many meetings his Department has had with representatives of the civilian space sector since 5 July 2024. (39721)

126 **Kirsteen Sullivan** (Bathgate and Linlithgow): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of allocating dedicated radio spectrum access to energy (a) distribution and (b) transmission networks on (i) the resilience and (ii) decarbonisation of those networks. (39659)

127 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions he has had with (a) Connecting Devon and Somerset and (b) Airband on (i) resuming full-scale operations and (ii) the effectiveness of communications between the three parties. (39653)

128 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what plans his Department has to enable Ofcom to regulate poor customer service. (39654)

129 **Anna Gelderd** (South East Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to help tackle delays caused by (a) tolls and (b) traffic to emergency service vehicles on the Tamar (i) bridge and (ii) ferries. (39681)

130 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the average waiting time for driving tests is in Birmingham, Edgbaston constituency. (39545)

131 **Margaret Mullane** (Dagenham and Rainham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she make it her policy to introduce a new interest-free loan scheme for taxi drivers purchasing new taxis matched to the retail price of the LEVC TXE. (39724)

132 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment she has made of the (a) effectiveness and (b) cost-efficiency of pothole repair strategies in Surrey Heath Constituency. (39777)

133 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she has had recent discussions with Boeing on the potential impact of technological advances in airplane manufacturing on travel times between London and the US. (39418)

134 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make it her policy to introduce a ban on pavement parking in non-metropolitan areas. (39792)

135N **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when she plans to make a decision on the final business case submitted by Chiltern Railways.

(39715)

136 **Chris Bloore** (Redditch): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many and what proportion of people claiming the health top-up on Universal Credit are aged between 18 and 21 years old.

(39753)

137N **Richard Burgon** (Leeds East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of welfare reform on people with multiple sclerosis.

(39478)

138N **Richard Burgon** (Leeds East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to ensure that people with multiple sclerosis are supported through the Personal Independence Payment system.

(39479)

139N **Richard Burgon** (Leeds East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to ensure that changes to the Work Capability Assessment prevent disabled people from entering poverty.

(39480)

140 **Dr Beccy Cooper** (Worthing West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she has taken to implement a strategic plan to remove asbestos from all non-domestic buildings.

(39670)

141N **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that adequate transition arrangement are put in place to help support people with changes to the levels of benefits.

(39611)

142 **Marsha De Cordova** (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what information her Department holds on the number of Employment and Support Allowance claimants who were (a) overpaid and (b) underpaid due to (i) claimant error and (ii) government error in 2024.

(39561)

143 **Bobby Dean** (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an estimate of the number of payments her Department has issued as a result of maladministration in the last 12 months.

(39633)

144 **Bobby Dean** (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the average value was of each maladministration payment made by her Department in the last 12 months.

(39634)

145 **Bobby Dean** (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the cost to the public purse was of maladministration payments issued by her Department in the last 12 months.

(39635)

146 **Bobby Dean** (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department has had a recruitment freeze on any roles in the last 12 months; and whether she plans to implement a recruitment freeze in the next 12 months. (39636)

147 **Alex Easton** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what discussions she has had with the Northern Ireland Executive on the potential impact of her Department's welfare reforms on people in Northern Ireland. (39661)

148 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent estimate she has made of the number of young people not in education, employment or training in (a) Birmingham and b) Birmingham, Edgbaston constituency. (39542)

149 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to modernise Job Centres in Birmingham, Edgbaston constituency. (39544)

150 **Terry Jermy** (South West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what her planned timetable is for making the Pathways to Work: Reforming Benefits and Support to Get Britain Working Green Paper accessible for persons with disabilities online. (39672)

151 **Terry Jermy** (South West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of increasing (a) digitalisation and (b) automation in the provision of welfare services. (39674)

152N **Mr Paul Kohler** (Wimbledon): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people (a) of all ages and (b) under 22 years of age receive the Limited Capability for Work and Work-Related Activity element of Universal Credit in the (i) London Borough of Merton and (ii) the London Borough of Kingston upon Thames. (39795)

153N **Mr Paul Kohler** (Wimbledon): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people (a) of all ages and (b) under 22 years of age receive the Limited Capability for Work and Work-Related Activity element of Universal Credit in Wimbledon constituency. (39796)

154 **Andy MacNae** (Rossendale and Darwen): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made with the Secretary of State for Transport on the potential impact of safe walking and cycling routes on rates of economic inactivity. (39662)

155 **Iqbal Mohamed** (Dewsbury and Batley): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of proposed changes to Personal Independence Payments on disabled people in the Dewsbury and Batley constituency. (39754)

156 **Iqbal Mohamed** (Dewsbury and Batley): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department plans to take to support vulnerable claimants through upcoming changes to the Personal Independence Payment assessment process. (39756)

157 **Iqbal Mohamed** (Dewsbury and Batley): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the average time is to process a Personal Independence Payment appeal in Dewsbury and Batley constituency. (39757)

158N **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many Pension Credit applications her Department has processed in the latest period for which data is available. (39438)

159 **Ian Roome** (North Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what her planned timetable is for restarting mandatory reassessments of incapacity benefits. (39722)

160 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to her Department's green paper Pathways to work: reforming benefits and support to get Britain working, published on 18 March 2025, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of this announcement on families in poverty. (39426)

161 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many new Personal Independence Payment claims her Department has received in the last 12 months. (39427)

162 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many attendance allowance applications her Department has received in the last 12 months. (39428)

163 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many Pension Credit applications her Department has received in the last 12 months. (39429)

164 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department has plans to review the application of (a) National Insurance contributions and (b) home responsibilities protection in cases where an individual was contracted out of the Additional State Pension. (39622)

165 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to ensure that disabled people are adequately supported through the benefits assessment process. (39660)

166 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether she plans to increase (a) Statutory Maternity Pay and (b) Maternity Allowance beyond the rate of inflation over the next four years. (39737)

167 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if her Department will make an assessment of the potential impact of the change in the weekly rate of Statuary Maternity Pay and Maternity Allowance from April 2025 on child poverty in Devon. (39740)

168 **Chris Bloore** (Redditch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of when the NHS will be meet its target of 92% of people waiting for elective mental health treatment waiting no longer than 18 weeks from referral to their first treatment. (39710)

169 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve the treatments available for brain tumours in west London. (39456)

170 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve diagnosis times for young people with cancer. (39550)

171N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, for what services the NHSBSA paid Crawford & Co; and what the budget for expenditure on the services of Crawford & Co is for the Vaccine Damage Payment Scheme for 2025-26. (39386)

172N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to his Department's contract entitled Medical Assessments: Vaccine Damage Payment Scheme, procurement reference, CF-0724900D00000000rwimUAA, whether Crawford & Company are required to respond to Vaccine Damage Payment Scheme claims within a specified time period; and whether they receive rewards on account of the speed of assessments. (39387)

173N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an estimate of the number of Vaccine Damage Payment Scheme claims on Covid-19 vaccinations which have been accepted following mandatory reversal based upon (a) additional evidence provided and (b) existing evidence. (39388)

174 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made any recent assessment of the security of the supply chain of titanium salicylate. (39568)

175 **Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, which projects using NHS data undertaken by (a) Novartis, (b) IQVIA, (c) AstraZeneca, (d) Merck, (e) Novo Nordisk, (f) GSK, (g) Roche and (h) Janssen-Cilag have adopted the (i) no value sharing, (ii) free or discounted products, (iii) royalty or revenue share, (iv) profit share, (v) intellectual property ownership share, (vi) equity share and (vii) fee for access NHS value sharing approaches. (39551)

176 **Zoe Franklin** (Guildford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure that adults with autism are not placed in accommodation that disrupts access to established support networks. (39744)

177 **Anna Gelderd** (South East Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help people in South East Cornwall constituency to access healthcare services in Devon using the Tamar Crossings. (39680)

178 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of employees of NHS England: Midlands are in the (a) ESM 1, (b) ESM 2, (c) ESM 3 and (d) ESM 4 salary bands. (39547)

179N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will make the data on the use of symptomatic FIT for patients with suspected bowel cancer symptoms across each ICB publicly available. (39483)

180 **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with NHS England on increasing the use of symptomatic FIT for patients with suspected bowel cancer symptoms within General Practice. (39484)

181 **Imran Hussain** (Bradford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help ensure that access to the NHS Diabetes Prevention Programme will continue for all those who need it. (39457)

182 **Afzal Khan** (Manchester Rusholme): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has conducted a risk assessment on the potential impact of (a) future pandemics and (b) geopolitical disruption to the UK's blood stocks; and what contingency plans are in place for these scenarios. (39557)

183 **Afzal Khan** (Manchester Rusholme): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what funding his Department has made available to improve the UK's whole blood processing and plasma collection capacities. (39558)

184 **Afzal Khan** (Manchester Rusholme): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to invest in new technologies and innovations to enhance the efficiency and resilience of the UK's blood supply chain. (39559)

185 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve access to NHS dental services for people in wheelchairs. (39676)

186 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve accessibility to NHS dental services for disabled users without access to transport. (39677)

187 **Brian Mathew** (Melksham and Devizes): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to increase the availability of ear wax removals in primary care settings in Melksham and Devizes constituency. (39763)

188 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many physician associates are working in GP surgeries across (a) Greater Manchester and (b) the North West. (39572)

189 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking with the NHS to help ensure that it meets the target that 92% of people waiting for elective mental health treatment wait no longer than 18 weeks from referral to their first treatment. (39573)

190N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has held on the 2025/26 NHS Payment Scheme with the (a) voluntary and (b) community sector. (39807)

191N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference his Department's consultation entitled 2025/26 NHS Payment Scheme, published on 30 January 2025, what (a) meetings he has held with and (b) representations he has received from (i) health charities and (ii) Royal Colleges on NHS payment limits. (39808)

192N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an estimate of the average cost to the public purse of one band 5 nursing hour supplied by (a) On-framework staffing agencies and (b) Off-framework staffing agencies at the Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital NHS Trust in each year since 2019. (39595)

193N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the average cost to the public purse is of one band 5 nursing hour supplied by (a) On-framework staffing agencies and (b) Off-framework staffing agencies to the NHS in each year since 2019. (39596)

194N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of banning the use of off-framework staffing agencies by the NHS. (39597)

195N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he is taking steps to use on-framework staffing agencies to reduce the number of unfilled nursing shifts. (39598)

196 **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of taking legislative steps to ensure there is an allied health professional on the boards of NHS (a) integrated care boards and (b) hospital trusts. (39599)

197 **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to his oral statement of 13 March 2025 on NHS England Update, Official Report, column 1284, what plans his Department has to support hospital trusts under the NHS Oversight Framework after NHS England is abolished. (39600)

198 **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to his oral statement of 13 March 2025 on NHS England Update, Official Report, column 1284, what steps his Department plans to take to implement the mandate to NHS England, published on 30 January 2025, after NHS England is abolished. (39601)

199 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of when the NHS will be able to meet the target of 92% of people waiting for elective mental health treatment waiting no longer than 18 weeks from referral to their first treatment. (39594)

200N **Dr Simon Opher** (Stroud): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of publishing year-round data on the number of patients being treated in temporary care environments. (39602)

201N **Dr Simon Opher** (Stroud): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help reduce the use of temporary care environments in patient care. (39603)

202N **Dr Simon Opher** (Stroud): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to publish guidance on the use of temporary care environments before the publication of the urgent and emergency care plan. (39604)

203N **Dr Simon Opher** (Stroud): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to complete the review of postgraduate medical training. (39605)

204 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will ensure that the National Cancer Plan includes a strategy for (a) research and (b) improved treatment for brain tumours in children. (39738)

205 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he has taken to foster (a) an inclusive and (b) a respectful working environment for NHS hospital staff in Surrey Heath Constituency. (39742)

206 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he has taken to support neurodiverse people employed in the healthcare sector in Surrey Heath Constituency. (39743)

207 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to (a) raise awareness of and (b) support individuals impacted by breast cancer in Surrey Heath constituency. (39782)

208 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of lowering the age threshold for routine breast cancer screening invitations. (39784)

209 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to help ensure that the Government's UK Neurology Forum include migraine as a priority for (a) discussion and (b) policy recommendations. (39420)

210 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will have discussions with Cabinet colleagues on the potential merits of including migraine as a category within the (a) Get Britain Working white paper and (b) workforce participation and productivity strategies. (39421)

211 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of migraine-related absenteeism on the economy. (39422)

212 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help ensure that migraine is recognised within (a) the Access to Work scheme and (b) workplace health and disability strategies. (39423)

213 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made in the levels of regional variations in waiting times for specialist migraine treatment. (39424)

214 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking with devolved governments to help ensure the equal provision of NICE-approved treatments across the UK for (a) advanced and (b) complex Parkinson's disease. (39425)

215 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of recent trends in the level of measles cases across the UK. (39432)

216 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help tackle severe malnutrition in people under the age of 18. (39434)

217 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of the proposed increase in employer National Insurance contributions on social care providers in Fylde constituency. (39623)

218 **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 the proposed increase to employers National Insurance contributions on hospices in Lancashire. (39624)

219 **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 the proposed increase to employers National Insurance contributions on general practices in Fylde constituency. (39625)

220 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he has taken to increase NHS capacity for winter 2025-26 in Fylde constituency. (39626)

221 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve the safety of NHS maternity services in Fylde constituency. (39627)

222 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of call waiting times for emergency support for suicidal people in Bedfordshire. (39789)

223 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 19 February 2025 to Question 29563 on General Practitioners: Finance, what his planned timetable is for confirming the allocations for integrated care boards. (39790)

224 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 19 February 2025 to Question 29563 on General Practitioners: Finance, what his planned timetable is for confirming funding for GP surgery projects. (39791)

225 **Harpreet Uppal** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans his Department has for the funding of children's hospices once NHS England is dissolved. (39759)

226 **Max Wilkinson** (Cheltenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of providing immediate cash-flow funding for pharmacies. (39606)

227 **Max Wilkinson** (Cheltenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the status is of the independent economic review of pharmacies, in the context of the recently announced abolition of NHS England. (39607)

228 **Max Wilkinson** (Cheltenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what his planned timetable is for publishing the independent economic review of pharmacies. (39608)

229 **Max Wilkinson** (Cheltenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of providing immediate cash-flow funding for pharmacies. (39609)

230 **Nesil Caliskan** (Barking): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department plans to provide further aid to (a) the Occupied Palestinian Territories and (b) Gaza. (39726)

231 **Nesil Caliskan** (Barking): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what information his Department holds on the amount of UK aid that has reached Gaza since 15 January 2025. (39732)

232 **Nesil Caliskan** (Barking): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent steps his Department has taken to help secure a ceasefire between Israel and Hamas. (39800)

233N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the current situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina. (39460)

234 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of supporting cooperatives in developing countries. (39533)

235 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with his counterpart in Yemen on the restriction of freedom of religion or belief for Baha'is in that country; and whether the John Bunyan Fund for Freedom of Religion and Belief will be used to assist people facing persecution. (39548)

236 **Andrew Gwynne** (Gorton and Denton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions his Department has had with representatives from (a) the UN, (b) India, (c) Pakistan and (d) the Kashmiri people on the political situation in Jammu and Kashmir. (39392)

237 **Andrew Gwynne** (Gorton and Denton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of reports of human rights abuses in Jammu and Kashmir. (39393)

238 **Andrew Gwynne** (Gorton and Denton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has made recent representations to his (a) Indian and (b) Pakistani counterpart on reported human rights abuses in Kashmir. (39394)

239 **Andrew Gwynne** (Gorton and Denton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking with his international counterparts to help implement the recent United Nations resolutions on Jammu and Kashmir. (39395)

240 **Andrew Gwynne** (Gorton and Denton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an estimate of the number of civilian casualties resulting from Israeli air strikes on Gaza on 18 March 2025. (39396)

241 **Andrew Gwynne** (Gorton and Denton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had discussions with his Israeli counterpart on the recent Israeli air strikes on Gaza. (39397)

242 **Andrew Gwynne** (Gorton and Denton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with his international counterpart on restoring the ceasefire conditions between Israel and Hamas in Gaza. (39398)

243 **Andrew Gwynne** (Gorton and Denton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had recent discussions with his international counterparts on the accessibility of Gaza for the distribution of humanitarian aid. (39399)

244 **Andrew Gwynne** (Gorton and Denton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had discussions with his international counterparts on re-establishing the processes for the remaining hostages held by the Hamas regime to be released. (39400)

245 **Carla Lockhart** (Upper Bann): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much and what proportion of Government funding for the promotion of Freedom of Religion or Belief was allocated to supporting persecuted religious communities globally in the each of the last three financial years. (39593)

246 **Iqbal Mohamed** (Dewsbury and Batley): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with his Israeli counterpart on (a) the enforcement of an immediate ceasefire and (b) unrestricted humanitarian access to aid in Gaza. (39730)

247 **Iqbal Mohamed** (Dewsbury and Batley): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what diplomatic steps he is taking to help ensure that Israel uphold its obligations under international law. (39733)

248 **Iqbal Mohamed** (Dewsbury and Batley): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will suspend arms sales to Israel. (39736)

249 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of access to (a) water and (b) sanitation in Sudan. (39439)

250N **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with (a) Israel, (b) the USA, (c) the UAE and (d) other countries in the region on the ceasefire agreement between Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories. (39440)

251 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to ensure the UK's active involvement in discussions on the ceasefire agreement between Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories. (39441)

252 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to support the ceasefire agreement between Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories. (39442)

253N **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the oral contribution of the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs in the debate on Israeli-Palestinian Peace: International Fund on 11 March 2025, Official Report, column 368WH, when the inaugural meeting of the international fund for Israeli-Palestinian peace will take place in London; and who will be present. (39443)

254 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with (a) Israel and (b) regional partners on the future governance of Gaza. (39444)

255 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to ensure that the UK supports (a) normalised relations and (b) peace between Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories. (39445)

256 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had discussions with regional partners on the potential reconstruction of Gaza. (39446)

257N **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he made of the potential impact of the reduction in Official Development Assistance funding on programmes in (a) Israel and the (b) Occupied Palestinian Territories in the 2025-26 financial year. (39447)

258N **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking with international partners to help ensure that UN Member States pay assessed contributions (a) in full and (b) on time. (39448)

259 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to help support efforts to promote conflict prevention in (a) the United Nations and (b) other multilateral fora. (39449)

260 **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 UN Secretary General's UN80 Initiative. (39450)

261 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what plans he has for participation at the 2025 UN Ocean Conference by (a) officials and (b) Ministers. (39451)

262 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what plans he has for participation at the Financing for Development Conference 2025 by (a) officials and (b) Ministers. (39452)

263 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what plans he has for participation at the World Summit for Social Development 2025 by (a) officials and (b) Ministers. (39453)

264 **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 the Sudanese Government's response to the findings of the report by the Integrated Food Security Phase Classification entitled Famine Review Committee: Sudan, published on 24 December 2025, on the effectiveness of (a) UK and (b) multilateral nutrition and food programmes operating in that country. (39454)

265 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 19 March 2025 to Question 37762 on British Indian Ocean Territory: Seas and Oceans, whether the Marine Protected Area established by Mauritius under the terms of the agreement between the UK and Mauritius will be supported by his Department's Blue Belt Programme. (39648)

266N **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 19 March 2025 to Question 36635 on British Indian Ocean Territory: Sovereignty, whether he has received proposals from his Mauritian counterpart on a new Mauritian Marine Protected Area (MPA); whether the area for the proposed MPA will be different to the existing MPA; whether a map of the proposed MPA will be published; whether the proposed treaty with Mauritius will contain provisions to (a) ensure a continuity of protection for the existing area covered by the existing MPA once the proposed change in sovereignty takes place, (b) maintain the existing MPA and (c) require Mauritius to implement a new MPA; and if he will make an estimate of the potential cost to the public purse of supporting Mauritius in implementing a new MPA. (39401)

267N **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the proposed agreement with Mauritius on the British Indian Ocean Territory will contain (a) provisions and (b) timescales when costings can be reviewed; whether a measure of indexation will be used to uplift UK payments to Mauritius for the lease; what currency will payments be required to be made including the relevant exchange rate provision; at what point will the UK need to give notice of its request to extend the lease; whether the Mauritius Government will be able to set the cost of the exercise of the extension provisions; and whether arbitration processes will be in place to arbitrate potential disputes over the costs of exercising the lease extension provisions. (39402)

268 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the agreement with Mauritius on the British Indian Ocean Territory will contain dispute and arbitration mechanisms. (39403)

269N **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the UK-Mauritius political agreement on the exercise of sovereignty over the Chagos Archipelago, announced on 3 October 2024, whether Prime Minister Ramgoolam requested changes to the provisions on the exercising of sovereign rights and authorities over Diego Garcia for the duration of the lease after 3 October 2024. (39801)

270N **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, on what date was the most recent draft of the proposed treaty with Mauritius on the British Indian Ocean Territory agreed between both the UK and Mauritian Governments. (39404)

271N **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, under the provisions of the most recent draft of the proposed treaty between the UK and Mauritius on the British Indian Ocean Territory on what date the proposed transfer of sovereignty will commence. (39405)

272 **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the Marine Protected Area covering the British Indian Ocean Territory. (39406)

273 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to support Poland in countering Russian pressure. (39431)

274N **David Taylor** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he is taking steps with his international partners to reduce arms sales to warring parties in Sudan. (39719)

275 **Melanie Ward** (Cowdenbeath and Kirkcaldy): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what representations he has made to his Israeli counterpart on restarting civil-military cooperation with UNRWA. (39771)

276N **Dame Harriett Baldwin** (West Worcestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate she has made of the number and proportion of barber shops that are linked to money laundering. (39410)

277 **Marsha De Cordova** (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent discussions she has had with the Metropolitan Police on the case of Ali Kololo. (39560)

278 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to help tackle hate crimes based on religion in (a) the West Midlands, (b) Birmingham and (c) Birmingham Edgbaston constituency. (39538)

279 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to help improve the collection of data on people affected by hate crime by (a) religion and (b) ethnicity. (39539)

280 **Mary Glindon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to help (a) people seeking asylum and (b) refugees to (i) develop their skills and (ii) increase their employability. (39416)

281 **Afzal Khan** (Manchester Rusholme): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what her Department's planned timetable is for the completion of the migration of casework operations to the new ATLAS system. (39554)

282 **Blair McDougall** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the implications for her policies of the High Court ruling that Part 4 of the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022 is incompatible with the European Convention on Human Rights. (39632)

283 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the administrative cost to her Department is of preparing an emergency travel document. (39698)

284 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what costs contribute to the fee for an emergency travel document. (39699)

285 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department plans to introduce (a) exemptions and (b) reduced fees for emergency travel documents for people in financial hardship. (39700)

286 **Dr Roz Savage** (South Cotswolds): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps the Government is taking to improve the finances of fire and rescue services. (39692)

287 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she has had discussions with the Police Service of Northern Ireland on the timing of the implementation of firearms licenses. (39433)

288 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of the requirement for children born in the UK to parents with refugee status making separate asylum claims to obtain refugee status on asylum application backlogs. (39617)

289 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she plans to introduce an (a) expedited and (b) automatic process for granting refugee status to children born in the UK to parents with existing refugee status. (39618)

290 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the requirement for children born in the UK to parents with refugee status to make a separate asylum claim to obtain refugee status on people with that status. (39619)

291N **Luke Akehurst** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the policy paper entitled Australia-UK Ministerial Consultations (AUKMIN) 2024: joint statement, published on 17 December 2024, what progress he has made on exploring enhanced collaboration on Land Mobility Platforms. (39704)

292N **Luke Akehurst** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when his Ministers next plan to meet their Australian counterparts. (39705)

293 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Army's submission to the Strategic Defence Review, whether it is his policy that the Army should be (a) resilient, (b) built upon collaboration with industry, (c) increasing UK prosperity and reinforcing operational independence. (39492)

294 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Army's submission to the Strategic Defence Review, whether it is his policy that the Army enhances (a) society, (b) cohesion and (c) resilience with land forces as the framework integrator for national (i) resilience, (ii) defence and (iii) regeneration. (39803)

295 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Army's submission to the Strategic Defence Review, whether it is his policy that the Army (a) fights and (b) operates differently by rapidly integrating technology at every level to multiply (i) lethality, (ii) mass and (iii) effect. (39804)

296 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Army's submission to the Strategic Defence Review, whether it is his policy that the Army fights on the land to be the world-class army that (a) NATO is asking for and (b) the UK needs. (39805)

297 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Army's submission to the Strategic Defence Review, whether it is his policy that the Army harnesses the talent of exceptional people (a) enabling, (b) inspiring and (c) optimising the force. (39806)

298 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Army's submission to the Strategic Defence Review, whether it is his policy that the Army fights from the land as an enabler for multi-domain operations as part of the Integrated Force alongside allies and partners. (39493)

299N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to ensure that World War Two veterans are able to attend (a) VE day and (b) VJ day commemorative events (i) in the UK (ii) overseas. (39494)

300N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department has allocated separate funding to support World War Two veterans travelling overseas to attend (a) VE day and (b) VJ day commemorative events (i) in the UK (ii) overseas. (39495)

301N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what funding has been allocated by his Department to support the delivery of (a) VE day and (b) VJ day commemorative events (i) in the UK (ii) overseas. (39496)

302N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has held discussions with the Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust on funding used to sponsor World War Two veterans attending (a) VE day and (b) VJ day commemorative events (i) in the UK (ii) overseas. (39497)

303 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent progress his Department has made on the delivery of Remus 300s to the Royal Navy. (39498)

304 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent progress his Department has made on the delivery of Remus 100s to the Royal Navy. (39499)

305 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what estimate his Department has made of the total operational cost paid by the United States for all military bases shared with the United Kingdom. (39500)

306 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the annual rent paid by the United States is for the use of (a) RAF Mildenhall, (b) RAF Lakenheath, (c) Ascension Island, (d) Diego Garcia and (e) any other UK base in use by that country. (39501)

307 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of provision of childcare for serving personnel. (39502)

308 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many hours of firing time have been lost at Penally Gallery Range due to (a) physical incursion into the range danger area by (i) members of the public and (ii) animals, (b) aerial incursion into the range danger area by drones and (c) for other reasons since 5 July 2024.

(39503)

309 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many hours of firing time have been lost at Sennybridge Training Area due to (a) physical incursion into the range danger area by (i) members of the public and (ii) animals, (b) aerial incursion into the range danger area by drones and (c) for other reasons since 5 July 2024.

(39504)

310 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many hours of firing time have been lost at Sealand ranges due to (a) physical incursion into the range danger area by (i) members of the public and (ii) animals, (b) aerial incursion into the range danger area by drones and (c) for other reasons since 5 July 2024.

(39505)

311 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many hours of firing time have been lost at Holcombe Moor due to (a) physical incursion into the range danger area by (i) members of the public and (ii) animals, (b) aerial incursion into the range danger area by drones and (c) for other reasons since 5 July 2024.

(39506)

312 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many hours of firing time have been lost at Kingsbury ranges due to (a) physical incursion into the range danger area by (i) members of the public and (ii) animals, (b) aerial incursion into the range danger area by drones and (c) for other reasons since 5 July 2024.

(39507)

313 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many hours of firing time have been lost at Catterick Training Area due to (a) physical incursion into the range danger area by (i) members of the public and (ii) animals, (b) aerial incursion into the range danger area by drones and (c) for other reasons since 5 July 2024.

(39508)

314 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many hours of firing time have been lost at Leek and Upper Hulme Training area due to (a) physical incursion into the range danger area by (i) members of the public and (ii) animals, (b) aerial incursion into the range danger area by drones and (c) for other reasons since 5 July 2024.

(39509)

315 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many hours of firing time have been lost at Battle Hill Ranges due to (a) physical incursion into the range danger area by (i) members of the public and (ii) animals, (b) aerial incursion into the range danger area by drones and (c) for other reasons since 5 July 2024.

(39510)

316 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many hours of firing time have been lost at Bellerby Ranges due to (a) physical incursion into the range danger area by (i) members of the public and (ii) animals, (b) aerial incursion into the range danger area by drones and (c) for other reasons since 5 July 2024. (39511)

317 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many hours of firing time have been lost at Whittington ranges due to (a) physical incursion into the range danger area by (i) members of the public and (ii) animals, (b) aerial incursion into the range danger area by drones and (c) for other reasons since 5 July 2024. (39512)

318 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many hours of firing time have been lost at Feldom Ranges due to (a) physical incursion into the range danger area by (i) members of the public and (ii) animals, (b) aerial incursion into the range danger area by drones and (c) for other reasons since 5 July 2024. (39513)

319 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many hours of firing time have been lost at Thetford due to (a) physical incursion into the range danger area by (i) members of the public and (ii) animals, (b) aerial incursion into the range danger area by drones and (c) for other reasons since 5 July 2024. (39514)

320 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many hours of firing time have been lost at Wathgill Ranges due to (a) physical incursion into the range danger area by (i) members of the public and (ii) animals, (b) aerial incursion into the range danger area by drones and (c) for other reasons since 5 July 2024. (39515)

321 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many hours of firing time have been lost at Fingringhoe due to (a) physical incursion into the range danger area by (i) members of the public and (ii) animals, (b) aerial incursion into the range danger area by drones and (c) for other reasons since 5 July 2024. (39516)

322 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many hours of firing time have been lost at Otterburn Ranges due to (a) physical incursion into the range danger area by (i) members of the public and (ii) animals, (b) aerial incursion into the range danger area by drones and (c) for other reasons since 5 July 2024. (39517)

323 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many hours of firing time have been lost at Barton Road due to (a) physical incursion into the range danger area by (i) members of the public and (ii) animals, (b) aerial incursion into the range danger area by drones and (c) for other reasons since 5 July 2024. (39518)

324 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many hours of firing time have been lost at Ponteland Ranges due to (a) physical incursion into the range danger area by (i) members of the public and (ii) animals, (b) aerial incursion into the range danger area by drones and (c) for other reasons since 5 July 2024. (39519)

325 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many hours of firing time have been lost at Beckingham due to (a) physical incursion into the range danger area by (i) members of the public and (ii) animals, (b) aerial incursion into the range danger area by drones and (c) for other reasons since 5 July 2024. (39520)

326 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many hours of firing time have been lost at Aldershot due to (a) physical incursion into the range danger area by (i) members of the public and (ii) animals, (b) aerial incursion into the range danger area by drones and (c) for other reasons since 5 July 2024. (39521)

327 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many hours of firing time have been lost at Ash Ranges due to (a) physical incursion into the range danger area by (i) members of the public and (ii) animals, (b) aerial incursion into the range danger area by drones and (c) for other reasons since 5 July 2024. (39522)

328 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many hours of firing time have been lost at Altcar Rifle Range due to (a) physical incursion into the range danger area by (i) members of the public and (ii) animals, (b) aerial incursion into the range danger area by drones and (c) for other reasons since 5 July 2024. (39523)

329 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many hours of firing time have been lost at Barrossa Ranges due to (a) physical incursion into the range danger area by (i) members of the public and (ii) animals, (b) aerial incursion into the range danger area by drones and (c) for other reasons since 5 July 2024.. (39524)

330 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many hours of firing time have been lost at Chilcomb Range due to (a) physical incursion into the range danger area by (i) members of the public and (ii) animals, (b) aerial incursion into the range danger area by drones and (c) for other reasons since 5 July 2024. (39525)

331 **Zoe Franklin** (Guildford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department is taking to ensure serving personnel who are posted away on operational duties and have a property in the UK are able to receive council tax discounts; and how his Department ensures personnel are (a) informed and (b) supported in accessing this discount. (39758)

332 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of increasing levels of defence spending on levels of (a) Government funding and (b) private sector investment in Birmingham, Edgbaston constituency. (39543)

333 **Brian Leishman** (Alloa and Grangemouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the purpose is of Project HEZUK; and whether that project (a) is ongoing or (b) has been discontinued. (39809)

334 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what his planned timetable is for the Challenger 2 modernisation programme. (39638)

335 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 18 March 2025 to Question 37374 on Warrior Vehicles, which regiments are currently (a) equipped with and (b) trained to use the Warrior Infantry Fighting Vehicles; and in which roles. (39639)

336 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 18 March 2025 to Question 37371 on F-35 Aircraft: Procurement, what steps he is taking to procure additional F-35 aircraft. (39640)

337 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential economic impact of constructing F-35 aircraft in the UK. (39641)

338 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what is the difference in (a) purchase and (b) running cost between the (i) F-35A and (ii) F-35B variants. (39642)

339N **Brendan O'Hara** (Argyll, Bute and South Lochaber): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether the RAF has deployed Shadow R1 surveillance flights to Gaza since 15 January 2025. (39455)

340 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 6 March 2025 to Question 34448, on Ministers: Helicopters, how much of the post-4 July Ministerial expenditure to date relates to helicopter travel (a) before 1 January 2024 and (b) after 1 January 2025. (39689)

341 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department is taking steps to provide childcare to parents who serve in the armed forces. (39419)

342 **Dr Neil Shastri-Hurst** (Solihull West and Shirley): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many meetings his Department has had with representatives of the defence space sector since 5 July 2024. (39720)

343 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to support veterans who served in Northern Ireland in Fylde constituency. (39628)

344 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the proposed increase to employers' National Insurance contributions on the defence industry in Fylde constituency. (39629)

345 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to increase his Department's support for SMEs in the defence industry in Fylde constituency. (39630)

346 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to support cadet forces in Fylde constituency. (39631)

347 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what equipment his Department has procured from the United States for the armed forces since 1 January 2024. (39652)

348 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, on how many occasions The Gardens Trust has (a) not provided a timely response to a request for feedback and (b) provided feedback that was in conflict with matters settled in the relevant local plan as a statutory planning consultee in the last three years. (39567)

349 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, when she plans to provide an Answer to Question 35806 on Resettlement: Afghanistan, tabled on 5 March 2025. (39610)

350 **Zoe Franklin** (Guildford): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that rental prices remain affordable; and whether she has considered mechanisms to stabilise rents. (39723)

351 **Anna Gelderd** (South East Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the Tamar Crossing tolls on economic growth in (a) South East Cornwall constituency and (b) Plymouth. (39682)

352 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what recent assessment has she made of the adequacy of local authority powers to ensure that vacant rental properties are made available for new tenancies. (39535)

353 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to continue supporting local authorities with large shares of exempt supported accommodation in their areas through the supported housing improvement programme. (39536)

354 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what progress has she made in implementing the Supported Housing (Regulatory Oversight) Act 2023. (39537)

355 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing regulations for managing agents. (39540)

356 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 21 January 2025 to Question 23351 on Regulator of Social Housing: Translation Services, if she will issue updated guidance to the regulator on translation services to councils and social housing providers to reflect the guidance outlined in the Written Ministerial Statement of 12 March 2013 entitled Translation into Foreign Languages, Official Report, Column 5WS. (39802)

357 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what her planned timetable is for commencing (a) environmental delivery plans and (b) developments affected by nutrient neutrality rules. (39461)

358 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the guidance entitled Green Belt, published on 27 February 2025, whether her Department consulted Historic England on the new guidance on historic (a) towns and (b) villages. (39462)

359 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the guidance entitled Green Belt, published on 27 February 2025, whether an environmental principles assessment was prepared in relation to the new guidance. (39463)

360 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to provide funding through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund in 2026-27. (39464)

361 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether the guidance entitled Green Belt, published on 27 February 2025, will apply to (a) planning applications for authorised, (b) retrospective planning permission for unauthorised, (c) planning enforcement (i) decisions and (ii) appeals in relation to unauthorised and (d) plan-making for traveller sites on the Green Belt. (39465)

362 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the guidance entitled Green Belt, published on 27 February 2025, how a (a) historic town and (b) non-historic town is defined. (39466)

363 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how much (a) capital and (b) resource funding was allocated to the UK Shared Prosperity Fund in the (i) 2024-25 and (ii) 2025-26 financial year. (39467)

364 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether the guidance entitled Green Belt, published on 27 February 2025, would permit villages in the green belt to be merged with towns. (39468)

365 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she has increased the level of funding for the Greater London Authority in 2025-26 to address the increase in employers' National Insurance contributions; and what representation she has received from the Greater London Authority on this subject. (39469)

366 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, further to her Department's Green Belt guidance published on 27 February 2025, for what policy reasons Green Belt (a) purpose (c) and (b) purpose (e) do not form part of the Green Belt assessment process. (39471)

367 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether the proposed (a) combined authorities and (b) combined county authorities will operate in shadow form before they are vested. (39472)

368 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she will make it her policy to introduce combined mayoral authorities only in areas where they have been approved through a local referendum. (39473)

369 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to paragraph 2.1.1 of her Department's English devolution white paper published on 16 December 2024, whether she will designate Surrey as a Foundation Strategic Authority. (39474)

370 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what the estimated cost is to the public purse of compliance with the Aarhus Convention. (39475)

371 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will publish her Department's report "Population size and local authority performance: final research report", written in 2006. (39476)

372 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 3 March 2025 to Question 31950 on Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government: Electronic Purchasing Card Solution, whether her Department received representations from the Cabinet Office on this matter. (39477)

373 **Afzal Khan** (Manchester Rusholme): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the potential impact on local authority budgets of providing crisis support to families impacted by No Recourse to Public Funds conditions. (39555)

374 **Afzal Khan** (Manchester Rusholme): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an estimate of the total cost to the public purse of local authorities providing crisis support to families affected by No Recourse to Public Funds conditions. (39556)

375 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure that landlords cannot lawfully obstruct emergency vehicle access to residential properties. (39746)

376 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what support her Department has made available to residents facing increases in management fees by (a) landlords and (b) management companies.

(39747)

377 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what figures her Department uses for the population of (a) Cambridgeshire and (b) Peterborough; and if she will publish those figures.

(39637)

378 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many land transactions for nationally significant infrastructure projects were via compulsory purchase order since 4 July 2024.

(39644)

379 **Tristan Osborne** (Chatham and Aylesford): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of amending the Blue Badge scheme to include statutory requirement to expand the offer on a shorter fixed-term basis to people with temporary mobility problems or conditions.

(39739)

380 **Dr Roz Savage** (South Cotswolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department has plans to introduce dedicated capital investment funding for fire and rescue services to help improve (a) infrastructure, (b) fleet renewal and (c) training facilities.

(39691)

381 **Dr Roz Savage** (South Cotswolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she has plans to allocate additional funding to fire and rescue services to improve their wildfire and flood response rates.

(39693)

382N **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to make water companies statutory consultees in all planning applications.

(39713)

383N **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to make provision for grampian conditions to apply to any housing development planning applications where Ofwat has opened enforcement cases on the delayed delivery of environmental improvement schemes.

(39718)

384 **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to support park home residents.

(39735)

385 **Chris Bloore** (Redditch): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that children's voices are included in family court cases.

(39678)

386 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps she is taking to help ensure effective prosecution rates (a) serious and (b) violent crime in Birmingham Edgbaston constituency. (39541)

387 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps she is taking to help ensure effective prosecutions in cases of violence against women and girls in Birmingham, Edgbaston constituency. (39546)

388 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether her Department has considered removing the exemption for both parties being within the dwelling in section 31 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1988. (39762)

389 **James McMurdo** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many new prison places have been created since July 2024. (39727)

390 **James McMurdo** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what estimate she has made of the average daily cost of housing prisoners (a) under Operation Safeguard and (b) in standard prison accommodation. (39728)

391 **James McMurdo** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether she plans to release more criminals from prison early due to prison overcrowding. (39729)

392N **Dame Harriett Baldwin** (West Worcestershire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential implications for her policies of trends in the level of disguised employment in the (a) hairdressing and (b) beauty industries; and what steps she plans to take with Cabinet colleagues to help tackle disguised employment. (39409)

393N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether her Department holds information on the dates of future meetings of the Global Sovereign Debt roundtable in 2025. (39390)

394N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 30 January 2025 to Question 26424 on Cars: Credit, if she will make an assessment of the potential implications for her policies of trends in the level of consumer credit debt relating to car purchases for the next five years. (39391)

395 **Anna Gelderd** (South East Cornwall): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of toll charges at the Tamar crossings on the (a) profitability and (b) sustainability of local businesses in South East Cornwall constituency. (39683)

396N **Mr Paul Kohler** (Wimbledon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether her Department plans to make an assessment of the potential merits of implementing a targeted VAT relief to 15% for (a) food, (b) alcohol and (c) tickets for (i) grassroots and (ii) cultural nightlife businesses. [R] (39774)

397 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether her Department plans to make an assessment of the potential impact of off-payroll working IR35 reforms on (a) self-employed workers and (b) small businesses. (39696)

398 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the proposed increase in employer National Insurance contributions on high street hair salons. (39697)

399 **Iqbal Mohamed** (Dewsbury and Batley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will take steps to help fund the repair and reopening of Dewsbury Sports Centre. (39752)

400 **Margaret Mullane** (Dagenham and Rainham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will extend the VAT exemption afforded to adapted motor vehicles for people with disabilities to London's Black Cabs. (39725)

401 **Dr Roz Savage** (South Cotswolds): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she has made an assessment of the potential impact of the proposed increase to employer National Insurance contributions on fire and rescue services; and whether her Department has plans to provide additional funding to cover such costs. (39694)

402 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent discussions she has had with the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions on financial support for disabled people. (39436)

403 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the Prime Minister's Oral Statement of 25 February 2025 on Defence and Security, Official Report, columns 631-634, if she will make an estimate of the savings to the public purse by reducing the amount spent on official development assistance as a proportion of gross national income. (39793)

404 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the Prime Minister's Oral Statement of 25 February 2025 on Defence and Security, Official Report, columns 631-634, if she will provide a breakdown of the funding sources for the proposed increase in defence spending. (39794)

405 **Kirsteen Sullivan** (Bathgate and Linlithgow): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will take steps to engage with the public to explain the (a) need and (b) sources of funding for large infrastructure projects near local communities to grow the economy. (39655)

406 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether her Department is taking steps to support Safe Hands plan holders financially impacted by its administration. (39592)

407 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent estimate her Department has made of the contribution of the (a) brewery, (b) distillery and (b) pub sector to the UK economy in the 2024-25 financial year. (39711)

408 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what fiscal steps her Department is taking to support the growth of the (a) beer and (b) pub sector. (39712)

409 **N Dame Harriett Baldwin** (West Worcestershire): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what assessment she has made on the potential impact of the Autumn Budget 2024 on the levels of employment of women in the (a) hairdressing and (b) beauty industries. (39411)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 25 March

Questions for Written Answer

1N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what guidance his Department has issued on (a) the rules surrounding the communication of market sensitive information to the media and the public and (b) how the Market Abuse Regulation applies to government departments. (39578)

2N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 13 January 2025 to Question 21066, how many full time equivalent staff work in each of those established business units. (39585)

3N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 16 December 2024 to Question 19065 on Migration, what estimate the Office for National Statistics has made of levels of net migration in each year between 2024-25 and 2029-30; and how those estimates are calculated. (39590)

4N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the (a) Government Property Agency and (b) Crown Commercial Service plan to recognise any diversity and inclusion (a) days and (b) weeks in 2025. (39591)

5N **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 5 March 2025 to Question 34447 on Military Aircraft: Helicopters, which suppliers supply helicopter services under the Ministerial Air Transport administered contract. [Transferred] (39292)

6N **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what data his Department holds on the average duration that civil service employees remain under performance management before a resolution is reached. (39748)

7N **Samantha Niblett** (South Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to ensure a multi-year funding agreement for social care to cover the full cost of care and enable care providers to plan long term. (39778)

8N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 11 March to Question 35836 on NHS: Negligence, how many patient (a) deaths and (b) life-changing injuries resulted from those instances of clinical negligence in each year financial year since 2019-20, broken down by speciality. (39649)

9N **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of (a) 28 February 2025, to Question 31166 and (b) 5 March 2025 to Question 34449, on Ministers: Aviation, if he will list the number of individual journeys that aggregates to the £4,282 cost. (39690)

10N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many of the new homes her Department has committed to delivering over the course of this Parliament have been (a) planned, (b) started and (c) completed. (39650)

11N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what recent progress she has made with Cabinet colleagues on implementing the strategy on tackling violence against women and girls. (39643)

Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care

- 1 **Lloyd Hatton** (South Dorset): What steps he is taking to shift care from major hospitals into community hospitals. (903374)
- 2 **Rosie Wrighting** (Kettering): What assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of access to NHS dental services. (903375)
- 3 **Paulette Hamilton** (Birmingham Erdington): What assessment he has made of the adequacy of the provision of health services for women. (903376)
- 4 **Joani Reid** (East Kilbride and Strathaven): What assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of the independent review into data and statistics on sex and gender by Professor Alice Sullivan. (903377)
- 5 **Laura Kyrke-Smith** (Aylesbury): What assessment he has made of the adequacy of the provision of health services for women. (903378)
- 6 **Max Wilkinson** (Cheltenham): What steps his Department is taking to improve cancer care in the west of England. (903379)
- 7 **Kevin McKenna** (Sittingbourne and Sheppey): What steps his Department is taking to help tackle inequalities in nursing career progression. (903380)
- 8 **Sojan Joseph** (Ashford): What steps his Department is taking to reduce the number of people waiting for NHS treatment. (903381)

- 9 **Sarah Hall** (Warrington South): What recent progress his Department has made on implementing the hub and spoke model for community pharmacy. (903382)
- 10 **Anneliese Midgley** (Knowsley): What assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of access to NHS dental services. (903383)
- 11 **David Williams** (Stoke-on-Trent North): What assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of access to NHS dental services. (903384)
- 12 **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): What steps he is taking to support families of patients who have been sectioned under the Mental Health Act 1983. (903385)
- 13 **Alex Baker** (Aldershot): What assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of access to NHS dental services. (903386)
- 14 **Kevin Bonavia** (Stevenage): What steps he is taking to shift care from hospitals into the community. (903387)
- 15 **Sarah Smith** (Hyndburn): What steps he is taking to ensure special educational and disability needs are met by the NHS. (903388)
- 16 **Mohammad Yasin** (Bedford): What steps his Department is taking to support hospices. (903389)
- 17 **Markus Campbell-Savours** (Penrith and Solway): What data his Department uses to monitor endometriosis diagnosis waiting times. (903390)
- 18 **Cameron Thomas** (Tewkesbury): What recent steps he has taken to increase access to GP appointments. (903391)
- 19 **Mr Gagan Mohindra** (South West Hertfordshire): How he plans to allocate the additional funding for the NHS announced in the Autumn Budget 2024. (903392)
- 20 **Melanie Onn** (Great Grimsby and Cleethorpes): What assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of access to NHS dental services. (903393)
- 21 **Chris Hinchliff** (North East Hertfordshire): What progress he has made on creating a National Care Service. (903394)
- 22 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): What assessment he has made of the potential impact of guidance issued by District Valuer Services on the availability of city centre GP premises. (903395)
- 23 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): What assessment he has made of trends in the level of health inequalities in coastal communities. (903396)
- 24 **Euan Stainbank** (Falkirk): What steps his Department is taking to improve clinical pathways for people diagnosed with postural orthostatic tachycardia syndrome. (903397)

25 **Charlie Maynard** (Witney): What recent discussions he has had with the National Institute for Health and Care Research on how much of the £40 million funding for brain tumour research has been spent. (903398)

Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care

T1 **Anneliese Midgley** (Knowsley): If he will make a statement on his departmental responsibilities. (903399)

T2 **Alan Strickland** (Newton Aycliffe and Spennymoor): (903400)

T3 **Alistair Strathern** (Hitchin): (903401)

T4 **Andrew George** (St Ives): (903402)

T5 **Patricia Ferguson** (Glasgow West): (903403)

T6 **Jenny Riddell-Carpenter** (Suffolk Coastal): (903404)

T7 **Ian Sollom** (St Neots and Mid Cambridgeshire): (903405)

T8 **Christine Jardine** (Edinburgh West): (903406)

T9 **Josh Simons** (Makerfield): (903407)

T10 **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): (903408)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 26 March

Questions for Written Answer

1N **Perran Moon** (Camborne and Redruth): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he has considered implementing a licencing regime similar to the Petroleum Exploration and Development Licence to help clarify the (a) rights and (b) responsibilities of developers of geothermal energy. (39706)

2N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had discussions with his counterpart in Bosnia and Herzegovina in the last two weeks. (39458)

3N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what his Department's policy priorities will be when the UK chairs the Berlin Process 2025. (39459)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 2 April

Questions for Written Answer

1N **Michael Wheeler** (Worsley and Eccles): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether his Department is taking steps to integrate hydrogen into the National Grid. (39731)

2N **Tony Vaughan** (Folkestone and Hythe): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many international social care workers have (a) had contact with the regional partnerships financed by the international recruitment fund for the adult social care sector and (b) been assisted into new employment by those partnerships. [R] (39612)

3N **Tony Vaughan** (Folkestone and Hythe): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the regional partnerships financed by the international recruitment fund for the adult social care sector; whether he plans to publish an evaluation of the project. [R] (39613)

4N **Tony Vaughan** (Folkestone and Hythe): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the oral contribution by the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for the Home Department on 22 January 2025, Official Report, column 414WH, what guidance his Department has provided to regional partnerships for supporting international care workers on ensuring they offer assistance to all care workers. [R] (39614)

5N **Tony Vaughan** (Folkestone and Hythe): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the oral contribution of the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for the Home Department of 22 January 2025, Official Report, column 414WH, how many displaced international care workers whose sponsor's licence had not been revoked have been supported by regional partnerships since they were established. [R] (39615)

6N **Tony Vaughan** (Folkestone and Hythe): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many sponsoring employers in the care sector had their sponsorship licence revoked in each year between 2022 to 2024; and what information her Department holds on the number of overseas care workers who have become unemployed following the revocation of their employer's sponsorship licence in that time period. [R] (39616)