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Questions tabled on Wednesday 26 March 2025

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 - † Indicates a Question not included in the random selection process but accepted because the quota for that day had not been filled.
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 - [R] Indicates that a relevant interest has been declared.
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Questions for Answer on Thursday 27 March

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to support the tourism sector in South Shropshire.
[Transferred] (41141)
- 2 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what (a) statutory and (b) non-statutory bodies her Department is consulting on her plans for musical education.
[Transferred] (41172)
- 3 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what progress she has made on producing a plan for musical education. [Transferred] (41173)
- 4 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he has had recent discussions with his officials on the potential merits of transferring the British Coal Superannuation Scheme to its members.
[Transferred] (41138)
- 5 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 17 March 2025 to Question 37074 on Low Alcohol Drinks, if he will have discussions with the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care on the potential merits of amending the marketing and labelling rules for the alcohol-free drinks to increase it from 0.05% to 0.5% ABV.
[Transferred] (41063)

- 6 **James Wild** (North West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of Extended Producer Responsibility fees on trends in the levels of pub closures; and what steps his Department is taking to support pubs in adhering to Extended Producer Responsibility regulations. [Transferred] (41144)
- 7 **David Chadwick** (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether Northern Powerhouse Rail is designated as an England and Wales project. [Transferred] (41331)
- 8 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing chiropractors to people with musculoskeletal conditions to help increase the number of people in work. [Transferred] (41290)
- 9N **Graham Leadbitter** (Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of UK Government policies between 2010 and 2024 on excess deaths. [Transferred] (40783)
- 10 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, for what reasons the National Security Technology and Innovation Exchange has been closed. [Transferred] (41118)
- 11 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the Home Office's closed consultation entitled Impact assessment: alcohol in licensed pavement areas, published on 10 May 2024, whether her Department has produced an impact assessment on the decision to allow the Covid-19 easements in relation to alcohol licensing on (a) pavement licences and (b) takeaway pints to expire at the end of March 2025. [Transferred] (41054)
- 12 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will bring forward legislative proposals to ensure all planning decisions do not impact the UK's climate and nature targets. [Transferred] (41339)
- 13 **David Chadwick** (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of (a) raising the annual capital borrowing cap for the Welsh Government and (b) introducing a mechanism where it rises with inflation. [Transferred] (41378)
- 14 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 19 March 2025, to Question 37217, on Energy: Shops, whether the installation of energy efficiency measures to meet the minimum energy efficiency standards are a positive material change for the purposes of (a) business rate valuations and (b) revaluations. [Transferred] (41059)

- 15 **Andy Slaughter** (Hammersmith and Chiswick): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what the (a) value and (b) quantity was of seafood imported from (a) Cameroon in (A) 2023, (B) 2024 and (C) 2025 and (b) Trinidad and Tobago since October 2023. [Transferred] (41035)
- 16 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the HM Revenue and Customs' Policy paper entitled Alcohol Duty uprating, published on 30 October 2024, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of the 3.4% increase in alcohol duties on the pub sector. [Transferred] (41248)

Questions for Answer on Friday 28 March

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham Hodge Hill and Solihull North): To ask the Solicitor General, what information her Department holds on the number of (a) attempted and (b) successful public prosecutions under Section 45 of the Criminal Finances Act 2017, broken down by (a) type or sub-type of offence and (b) prosecuting organisation or agency. [Transferred] (41003)
- 2 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 13 December 2024 to Question 18212 on Prime Minister: Special Advisers, when he plans to publish a list of special advisers and their salaries. (41639)
- 3 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to his Department's press release entitled Mass cancellation of government credit cards in crackdown on wasteful spend, published on 18 March 2025, if he will require Departments to publish Government Procurement Card spending above £0. (41640)
- 4 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 14 March 2025 to Question 36677 on Senior Civil Servants: Performance Appraisal, whether he plans to make changes to facilitate the dismissal of under-performing civil servants. (41641)
- 5 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 14 March 2025 to Question 37425 on Office for National Statistics: Industrial Disputes, what the disputed issues are. (41642)
- 6 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he plans to publish guidance on diversity networks. (41643)

- 7 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the Government plans to publish a further round of the UK National Action Plan for Open Government; and which department is the lead for progress on previous action plans. (41644)
- 8 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what the length of time before an email in his Department's inbox is subject to automatic deletion; whether such deleted emails remain searchable on the Server; and whether (a) manually deleted and (b) auto-deleted emails remain held for the purposes of (i) public inquiries, (ii) subject access requests and (iii) Freedom of Information Act requests. (41645)
- 9 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what guidance has been issued to civil servants on how Diversity and Inclusion considerations should be embedded in all decision-making and delivery. (41646)
- 10 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 17 March 2025 to Question HL5388 on Government Departments: Assets, if he will place in the Library a copy of each department's most recent Strategic Asset Management Plan. (41647)
- 11 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 17 March 2025 to Question 37807 on Advisory Committee on Business Appointments and House of Lords Appointments Commission, what the existing Memorandum of Understanding or equivalent document is between Cabinet Office and HOLAC. (41648)
- 12 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the Procurement Policy Note 002: Social Value Model, published in February 2025, what estimate he has made of the regulatory cost to the public sector of such contract compliance requirements of the new measures on trade unions and fair work. (41649)
- 13 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 4 March 2025 to Question 34456 on Information Rights User Group, whether the decision not to hold a meeting of the Group since April 2024 was made by (a) Ministers and (b) officials. (41650)
- 14 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what guidance his Department has issued on the use of third-party AI tools in relation to topics with a security classification; and what assessment he has made of whether such AI tools transfer information outside of government further to their terms and conditions. (41651)
- 15 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether his Department has used AI software to help respond to (a) Freedom of Information Act requests and (b) written parliamentary questions. (41652)

- 16 **Charlie Dewhurst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 22 January 2025 to Question 23884 on 10 Downing Street: Repairs and Maintenance, if he will publish the Freedom of Information Act response with reference FOI2025/01530. (41653)
- 17 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the Security and Intelligence Agencies Financial Statement 2023-24, published on 2 December 2024, what (a) risks and (b) performance issues were identified during the Performance and Risk Reviews conducted in 2023-24 for those agencies; and what steps he is taking to tackle those risks and issues. (41511)
- 18 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he plans to use recruitment consultants for staffing test-and-learn teams. (41512)
- 19 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the Prime Minister has taken steps to reduce his business travel since 4 July 2024. (41415)
- 20 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 10 February 2025 to Question 28582 on Government Departments: Directors, whether non-executive directors who are consultant lobbyists are required to recuse themselves on all matters relating to their lobbying clients. (41427)
- 21 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many Senior Civil Service roles in the Cabinet Office have been permanently filled by people who were initially appointed on an interim or temporary basis by grade in the last 12 months. (41428)
- 22 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many transactions have been voluntary notified to his Department under the terms of the National Security and Investment Act since 5 July 2024. (41429)
- 23 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to his Department's guidance entitled The Approvals Process for the Creation of New Arm's-Length Bodies, whether the Cabinet Office Public Bodies Team assessed Skills England against the requirement that the creation of a new ALB should only be considered as a last resort; whether the department provided evidence that alternative delivery models such as enhancing an existing body, executive agency, or departmental function were considered; and which of the three tests outlined in chapter 2 of that guidance it overcame. (41430)
- 24 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many days' notice the House of Lords Appointments Commission was given to clear and undertake due diligence in relation to the appointment of Baroness Gustafsson of Chesterton. (41431)

- 25 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 13 February 2025 to Question 29023 on Special Advisers: Industrial Disputes, whether he has issued guidance to special advisers on whether they may undertake industrial action with special advisers from other Departments. (41432)
- 26 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 27 November 2024, to Question 6057, on Prime Minister's Office: Vacancies, what proportion of external recruitment competitions in 10 Downing Street resulted in the selection of a successful candidate who was already (a) in post temporarily and (b) working in 10 Downing Street since 4 July 2024. (41433)
- 27 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will take steps to (a) speed up the handling of Freedom of Information requests across Government and (b) reduce the number of refusals to those requests. (41434)
- 28 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 8 January 2025 to Question 19414 on Non-departmental public bodies, how many arm's length bodies other than non-departmental public bodies the Government has (a) announced it will open, (b) opened, (c) announced it will close, and (d) closed since 4 July 2024. (41435)
- 29 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what information the Government Communications Service holds on spending on (a) external marketing, (b) external public relations and (c) other forms of external communications by (i) his and (ii) other Departments. (41436)
- 30 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 21 February 2025, to Question 30682, on Honours, for what reasons the three Honours campaigns were closed and then later re-opened; and how many of the subsequently-successful candidates were individuals who only applied after the campaigns were re-opened. (41437)
- 31 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 10 January 2025 to Question 21347 on Conditions of Employment, whether his Department has issued guidance on non-contingent labour contract which explains that direction on their use. (41438)
- 32 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 26 November 2024 to Question 14113 on the Permanent Secretary Remuneration Committee, whether Permanent Secretaries on the Committee are bound by its decisions on remuneration, and what mechanisms are in place to manage potential conflicts of interest. (41439)

- 33 **Danny Beales** (Uxbridge and South Ruislip): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the Employment Rights Bill on (a) drivers employed by app companies, (b) couriers employed by app companies and (c) gig economy workers. (41745)
- 34 **Juliet Campbell** (Broxtowe): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he has made an assessment of the adequacy of standards of food and drink imports. (41585)
- 35 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what progress the Competition and Markets Authority (CMA) has made on their investigation into misleading environmental claims made in relation to fast moving consumer goods announced in January 2023; and when he expects the CMA to report publicly on any findings. (41666)
- 36 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many products have been investigated in detail by the Competition and Markets Authority as part of its fast-moving consumer goods investigation announced in January 2023. (41667)
- 37 **Paul Davies** (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he has consulted with independent retailers on the development of the New Business Growth Service. (41771)
- 38 **Paul Davies** (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, when the New Business Growth Service is going to be launched. (41772)
- 39 **Richard Foord** (Honiton and Sidmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of increasing the level of financial penalty for employers who do not pay their ex-employee promptly after losing a tribunal. (41534)
- 40N **Graham Leadbitter** (Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 24 March to Question 38512 on Trade: Occupied Territories and Western Sahara, whether his Department has issued guidance on the nature of the risks related to economic and financial activities in (a) Western Sahara and (b) Occupied Palestinian Territory. (41654)
- 41 **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of proposed reforms to the personal independence payment on the employment (a) rights of and (b) obligations of employers to disabled employees. (41665)
- 42 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the impact of the trends in the level of cash only barber shops on high streets. (41600)

- 43 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the impact of (a) employers national insurance contributions and (b) national minimum wage increases on the hair salon industry. (41601)
- 44 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, how much funding has been allocated to grassroots sports facilities in (a) Buckinghamshire and (b) Milton Keynes in each of the last five years. (41724)
- 45 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what recent steps her Department has taken to support the development of local arts and cultural organisations in (a) Buckinghamshire and (b) Milton Keynes. (41725)
- 46 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to increase participation in youth sport in (a) Buckinghamshire and (b) Milton Keynes. (41726)
- 47 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, how many museums have received funding from Arts Council England in (a) Buckinghamshire and (b) Milton Keynes. (41727)
- 48 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to support access to leisure facilities in South Shropshire constituency. (41476)
- 49 **Liam Conlon** (Beckenham and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to improve access to sports facilities for disabled people in (a) Beckenham and Penge and (b) the UK. (41628)
- 50 **Liam Conlon** (Beckenham and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that sports facilities funding will encourage broader participation in sports by under-represented communities in (a) Beckenham and Penge constituency and (b) the UK. (41629)
- 51 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to help tackle sexual harassment in sports settings. (41422)
- 52 **Max Wilkinson** (Cheltenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department has made an impact assessment of the decision to allow sports betting in all casinos. (41778)
- 53 **Max Wilkinson** (Cheltenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department has made an impact assessment of the decision to allow up to 80 gaming machines in certain casinos. (41779)
- 54 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether Poland's President will be invited to the 80th VE celebrations. (41490)

- 55 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of not funding the Listed Places of Worship Grant Scheme beyond 2026 on those places of worship. (41561)
- 56 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what recent discussions she has had with religious leaders on the Listed Places of Worship Grant scheme. (41562)
- 57 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to help ensure the adequacy of support for children in kinship care. (41668)
- 58 **Adam Dance** (Yeovil): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of reducing funding for level 7 healthcare apprenticeships on the NHS long-term workforce plan. (41693)
- 59 **Adam Dance** (Yeovil): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of reducing funding for level 7 healthcare apprenticeships on the number of advanced clinical practitioners in the NHS. (41694)
- 60 **Adam Dance** (Yeovil): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of reducing funding for level 7 apprenticeships on the number of chartered town planners in local government. (41695)
- 61 **Adam Dance** (Yeovil): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of reducing funding for level 7 healthcare apprenticeships on skills shortages in the NHS; and what discussions she has had with the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care on that funding. (41696)
- 62 **Zöe Franklin** (Guildford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department has plans to increase registration fees for social workers. (41636)
- 63 **Tom Gordon** (Harrogate and Knaresborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to help retain foster carers. (41621)
- 64 **Amanda Hack** (North West Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of index-linking all future funding with the Holiday Activities and Food Programme to ensure it (a) keeps pace with inflation and (b) continues to effectively support children experiencing holiday hunger. (41615)
- 65 **Amanda Hack** (North West Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of formally extending the scope of the Holiday Activities and Food Programme to include all children in households with below-average resources. (41616)

- 66 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many individual representations her Department has received from Staffordshire County Council on the (a) funding and (b) quality of SEND provision in North Staffordshire in each of the last five years. (41529)
- 67 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many schools in (a) Newcastle-under-Lyme and (b) Staffordshire have received notices of finance from Staffordshire County Council. (41581)
- 68 **Uma Kumaran** (Stratford and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of funding allocations for adult learning in the (a) 2025-26 and (b) 2026-27 financial years. (41703)
- 69 **Mr Angus MacDonald** (Inverness, Skye and West Ross-shire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will take steps to introduce universal dyslexia screening within the first two years of primary school to help ensure (a) early identification and (b) support for dyslexic children. (41713)
- 70 **Mr Angus MacDonald** (Inverness, Skye and West Ross-shire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will take steps to make dyslexia training mandatory for (a) classroom educators and (b) on-going continued professional development. (41714)
- 71 **Mr Angus MacDonald** (Inverness, Skye and West Ross-shire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will take steps to help ensure that Ofsted assessments include a requirement for schools to provide SEND training for all teachers. (41715)
- 72 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent discussions her Department has had with (a) secondary school teachers and (b) head teachers on (i) smart phones in schools and (ii) young people on social media. (41747)
- 73 **Ms Julie Minns** (Carlisle): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the validation process for new phonics programmes is. (41623)
- 74 **Ms Julie Minns** (Carlisle): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the potential implications for her policies of the University of Florida's UFLI phonics programme. (41624)
- 75 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what discussions she has had with Cabinet colleagues on the potential impact of changes to (a) employer National Insurance contributions and (b) the minimum wage on the number of new apprentices in the hair salon industry. (41612)
- 76 **Dr Roz Savage** (South Cotswolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of cuts to funding for level 7 healthcare apprenticeships on the deliverability of the NHS long-term workforce plan. (41755)

- 77 **Dr Roz Savage** (South Cotswolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of cuts to funding for level 7 healthcare apprenticeships on the availability of Advanced Clinical Practitioners in the NHS. (41758)
- 78 **Dr Roz Savage** (South Cotswolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of cuts to funding for level 7 apprenticeships on the availability of Chartered Town Planners in local government. (41759)
- 79 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate she has made of the number of teaching assistants who are on temporary contracts. (41418)
- 80 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department has plans to restore the core schools budget to 2010 in real terms. (41605)
- 81 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the Impact Note on removal of eligibility of private schools for business rates charitable relief, published on 30 October 2024, for what reasons the Government did not model the impact on economic growth. (41519)
- 82 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what contracts have been agreed by her Department for (a) designing and (b) constructing new school buildings that are net zero in operation; and what the value was of each contract. (41554)
- 83 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much has been spent on ultra-low carbon measures for (a) primary and (b) secondary schools in England in each year since 2015. (41555)
- 84 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much her Department is projected to spend on ultra-low carbon measures for (a) primary and (b) secondary schools by 2030. (41557)
- 85 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many (a) primary and (b) secondary school buildings will be (a) sold, (b) refurbished and (c) demolished between 2025 and 2030. (41558)
- 86 **Harpreet Uppal** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what proportion of pupils who are persistently absent from school have been identified as having special educational needs and disabilities. (41768)
- 87 **Harpreet Uppal** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the impact of persistent absence on (a) SEND pupils and (b) their families. (41769)

- 88 **Harpreet Uppal** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to support children with (a) SEND and (b) mental health needs to return to school after a period of absence. (41770)
- 89 **Harpreet Uppal** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made an assessment of the adequacy of access to CAMHS services for special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) children in Huddersfield. (41773)
- 90 **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she plans to take to ensure all staff working with children and young people have the appropriate training to identify and support children with speech, language and communication challenges. (41707)
- 91 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make it her policy that the existing level of funding for Education and Health Care Plans will be provided in Newton Abbot constituency in 2025-26. (41782)
- 92 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to ensure long-term sustainable funding for youth services. (41538)
- 93 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of reductions in youth service funding on young people. (41541)
- 94 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will take steps to ensure that local authorities are carrying out their statutory duty to deliver youth services. (41545)
- 95 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent assessment his Department has made of the capacity to support increased renewable energy generation of the electricity grid in (i) Buckinghamshire and (ii) Milton Keynes. (41728)
- 96 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to support businesses to transition to clean energy sources in (a) Buckinghamshire and (b) Milton Keynes. (41729)
- 97 **Connor Naismith** (Crewe and Nantwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps he is taking to prevent companies fraudulently mis-selling (a) solar panels and (b) other energy generating equipment. (41634)
- 98 **Connor Naismith** (Crewe and Nantwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what criteria his Department is using to allocate funding for school solar panel installation; and what steps he is taking to ensure that the most energy-inefficient school buildings are prioritised. (41655)

- 99 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he has had discussions with Cabinet colleagues on the potential merits of extending the £250 reduction in electricity bills for who live within 500m of a pylon to those living near to Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project level solar farms. (41521)
- 100 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, on which date the increased threshold for Nationally Significant Infrastructure projects for solar will take effect. (41524)
- 101 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds Central and Headingley): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to ensure energy suppliers are resolving noncommunicating smart meters. (41508)
- 102 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what fire prevention policies battery energy storage systems sites are required to follow. (41547)
- 103 **John Whitby** (Derbyshire Dales): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of decoupling the electricity wholesale price from gas. (41709)
- 104 **Juliet Campbell** (Broxtowe): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what progress he has made on discontinuing the use of gestation cages for pigs. (41584)
- 105 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to include an exemption in the veterinary agreement that is being negotiated with the European Union that would protect the United Kingdom's ability to implement animal welfare method-of-production labelling, including on imports. (41444)
- 106 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what standards exist in statutory regulations for controlling concentrations of pollutants in ambient air in England. (41406)
- 107 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, (a) where and (b) how standards apply in statutory regulations to control concentrations of pollutants in ambient air in England. (41407)
- 108 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, which five pollutants in ambient air in England have seen the largest reduction in concentrations since Directive 2008/50/EC was introduced. (41408)
- 109 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, where the limit values set in the Air Quality Standards Regulations 2016 to control concentrations of particulate matter (PM10) in ambient air apply. (41409)

- 110 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of (a) limit values, (b) objectives and (c) targets to control concentrations of pollutants in ambient air in England. (41410)
- 111 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to reduce concentrations for pollutants in ambient air once the relevant limit value has been achieved. (41411)
- 112 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether concentrations of nitrogen dioxide are allowed to exceed the annual mean limit value once achieved throughout a zone or agglomeration. (41412)
- 113 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether there have been any formal complaints to the Office for Environmental Protection on exceedances of the nitrogen dioxide annual limit value in the UK. (41413)
- 114 **Ben Goldsbrough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will take steps to ensure that the sole processor negotiates with the growers' collective representative in the sugar beet sector. (41710)
- 115 **Ben Goldsbrough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of confirming NFU Sugar as the UK sugar beet growers' representative in contract negotiations with British Sugar. (41711)
- 116 **Ben Goldsbrough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to ensure British Sugar agrees the (a) price and (b) terms of future sugar beet contracts with NFU Sugar. (41712)
- 117 **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Gateshead South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions she has had with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on reducing food supply chain waste through mandatory food waste reporting. (41398)
- 118 **Satvir Kaur** (Southampton Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what progress his Department has made on improving responsible access to nature. (41671)
- 119 **John Lamont** (Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that (a) the border target operating model and (b) border control posts are adequately (i) resourced and (ii) equipped to ensure horticulture growers can import the required plant products to meet demand. (41467)

- 120 **John Lamont** (Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of import controls on horticulture businesses; and whether he plans to consider this impact in the context of proposals to amend plant health fees. (41469)
- 121 **Connor Naismith** (Crewe and Nantwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the extended producer responsibility scheme on small food manufacturers. (41635)
- 122 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department is taking steps to (a) monitor and (b) reduce compliance costs for fisheries regulations. (41740)
- 123 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department plans to conduct a review of environmental compliance obligations. (41742)
- 124 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department maintains records of compliance costs for agricultural regulations. (41744)
- 125 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department maintains accurate records of compliance costs for agricultural regulations. (41757)
- 126 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how his Department quantifies compliance costs for new regulations. (41761)
- 127 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department includes indirect business losses when estimating compliance costs. (41762)
- 128 **Will Stone** (Swindon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will take steps to protect brown hares in England and Wales from being shot for sport during their breeding season. (41590)
- 129 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the impact of Packaging Export Recovery Note (PERN) system on global plastic pollution. (41536)
- 130 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how much abuse and fraud has been reported on the Packaging Export Recovery Note system since 2010. (41537)

- 131 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an estimate of the number of (a) packing export recovery and (b) packaging recovery notes that have been issued each year since 2010. (41539)
- 132 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if she will make an estimate of the number of arrests for fraud concerning packaging export recovery notes in each year since 2010. (41540)
- 133 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of splitting recycling targets for (a) packaging recovery notes and (b) packaging export recovery notes. (41542)
- 134 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an estimate of the number of plastic recycling facilities that have closed since 2010. (41543)
- 135 **Laurence Turner** (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will publish a public consultation this year that would enable the Government to provide the best support to farmers to end the use of pig farrowing crates. (41698)
- 136 **Laurence Turner** (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department plans to make Animal Health and Welfare Pathway grants available to pig farmers to install free farrowing systems. (41699)
- 137 **John Whitby** (Derbyshire Dales): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to provide funding to help support low carbon farming. (41708)
- 138N **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what estimate he has made of the potential savings to the public purse of abolishing the Office of Communications. [Transferred] (41260)
- 139 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what recent discussions her Department has had with parents on (a) smart phones in schools and (b) young people on social media. (41746)
- 140 **Will Stone** (Swindon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if he will consider Panettoni Park in Swindon North constituency for Government funding for jobs in science and technology. (41596)
- 141 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent assessment his Department has made of the condition of roads in (a) Buckinghamshire and (b) Milton Keynes. (41734)

- 142 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to improve bus services in (a) Buckinghamshire and (b) Milton Keynes. (41735)
- 143 **Danny Beales** (Uxbridge and South Ruislip): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what progress the Motor Insurance Taskforce has made. (41743)
- 144 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of taking steps to help prevent price differentials for different types of users of EV charging points. (41661)
- 145 **Zöe Franklin** (Guildford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she plans to extend free bus passes for over 60s across England. (41673)
- 146 **Brian Mathew** (Meksham and Devizes): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to improve bus transport for people with hidden disabilities. (41678)
- 147 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the decision to increase parking penalties in London on her Department's review of penalty charge notice research. (41631)
- 148 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department plans to improve Passenger Assist service for rail users in England. (41630)
- 149 **Joani Reid** (East Kilbride and Strathaven): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when her Department plans to publish its findings on weight limits for Volumetric Concrete Mixers; and whether the review considers the need (a) for competition in the market and (b) to reduce emissions across the sector. (41583)
- 150 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to increase UK aviation exports. (41421)
- 151 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking with the Secretary of State for the Home Department to prevent the online sale of illegal e-bikes. (41535)
- 152 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of re-opening the railway line between Heathfield and Newton Abbot. (41573)
- 153 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent discussions she has had with Crosscountry trains on increasing capacity on rail routes in Newton Abbot constituency. (41591)

- 154 **Patricia Ferguson** (Glasgow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the time taken for Access to Work applications to be allocated to a case manager; and what steps she is taking to help reduce this waiting time. (41749)
- 155 **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of her Department's proposed welfare reforms on levels of economic inactivity. (41386)
- 156 **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to ensure that people that are unable to work due to (a) long-term illness, (b) disability and (c) other circumstances are adequately supported following her planned reforms to the welfare system. (41387)
- 157 **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of proposed reforms to the personal independence payment on children living in families in receipt of that benefit. (41663)
- 158 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the recently proposed welfare reforms on veterans. (41594)
- 159 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, for what reason her Department funds electric vehicles through the Motability scheme. (41637)
- 160 **Will Stone** (Swindon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to support young people into (a) employment, (b) education and (c) training in Swindon North constituency. (41587)
- 161 **Richard Tice** (Boston and Skegness): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department has made an estimate of the proportion of Personal Independence Payment recipients who would remain eligible for support under the proposed changes to the disability benefits system. (41602)
- 162 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many Motability vehicles were purchased in each year since 2010 by (a) manufacturer, (b) annual cost and (c) age. (41548)
- 163 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many (a) petrol, (b) diesel, (c) hydrogen, (d) hybrid, (e) plug-in hybrid and (f) fully electric vehicles were purchased through Motability in each year since 2010. (41550)
- 164 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many Motability vehicles by (a) manufacturer, (b) annual cost and (c) age were leased in each year since 2010. (41552)

- 165 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many (a) petrol, (b) diesel, (c) hydrogen, (d) hybrid, (e) plug-in hybrid and (f) fully electric vehicles were leased by Motability in each year since 2010. (41553)
- 166 **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to support pensioners in receipt of Local Housing Allowance who face a shortfall in meeting their housing costs. (41702)
- 167 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the Social Metrics Commission's report entitled Measuring Poverty 2024, published in October 2024, if she will make an assessment of the potential implications for his Department's policies of the finding that 54 per cent of people in poverty lived in a family that included a disabled person in 2022/23. (41509)
- 168 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the Social Metrics Commission's report entitled Measuring Poverty 2024, published in October 2024, if she will undertake a review of the finding that 47 per cent of families with at least one disabled child or adult were in poverty compared to 19 per cent of those families without a disabled person in 2022/23. (41510)
- 169 **Juliet Campbell** (Broxtowe): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to (a) help ensure equitable access to care for people diagnosed with interstitial lung diseases and (b) support local health services to improve (i) immediate and (ii) long-term care. (41586)
- 170 **Bambos Charalambous** (Southgate and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what information his Department holds on the number of young people with cancer who were diagnosed at Stage (a) one and (b) two. (41489)
- 171 **Liam Conlon** (Beckenham and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve miscarriage care (a) in general and (b) for miscarriages occurring before 12 weeks of pregnancy. (41577)
- 172 **Torcuil Crichton** (Na h-Eileanan an Iar): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to support a national public awareness campaign on prostate cancer risk factors and the benefits of early detection for high-risk groups. (41681)
- 173 **Paul Davies** (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to hold integrated care boards to account for meeting their statutory duty and implementing policy frameworks on children's palliative care. (41767)
- 174 **Richard Foord** (Honiton and Sidmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that maternity hospitals are adequately staffed to ensure high quality care for pregnant women in Devon. (41533)

- 175 **Mr Will Forster** (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps with NHS England to improve the provision of respite homes for mums and babies post traumatic birth. (41633)
- 176 **Mr Will Forster** (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department plans to take to work with volunteers to (a) add resilience to the NHS workforce, (b) reduce waiting lists and (c) move care out-of-hospital and into the community. (41756)
- 177 **Mr Will Forster** (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to increase (a) survival rates from out-of-hospital cardiac arrests and (b) the availability of defibrillators in Woking. (41763)
- 178 **Mr Will Forster** (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking through the NHS 10-Year Plan to improve public access to first aid (a) training and (b) equipment. (41765)
- 179 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to expand intensive (a) community and (b) day treatments for eating disorders across NHS Integrated Care Systems. (41513)
- 180 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to tackle regional disparities in access to community-based eating disorder treatments in (a) rural areas and (b) general. (41514)
- 181 **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of proposed reforms to the personal independence payment on the NHS. (41662)
- 182 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has stipulated that hospitals in the New Hospital Programme include renewable power. (41611)
- 183 **Ian Roome** (North Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve access to NHS dentistry in deprived communities. (41556)
- 184 **Dr Roz Savage** (South Cotswolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of reducing funding for level 7 healthcare apprenticeships on skills shortages in the NHS; and what discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Education on that funding. (41760)
- 185 **Mark Swards** (Leeds South West and Morley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help ensure that independent community pharmacies have adequate funding to sustain their (a) businesses and (b) services. (41603)

- 186 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people have died from sepsis in the last 12 months. (41419)
- 187 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve children's facilities in hospitals. (41420)
- 188 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to increase the availability of NHS appointments. (41423)
- 189 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds Central and Headingley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to (a) reduce the delay for a bipolar diagnosis and (b) bring it in line with early intervention targets for other conditions. (41486)
- 190 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds Central and Headingley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to establish specialist care pathways for people with bipolar to (a) improve treatment and (b) reduce misdiagnosis. (41487)
- 191 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an estimate of the number of NHS trusts that have spent funding on (a) installing charge points and (b) upgrading the local distribution network in each year since 2015. (41544)
- 192 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much each NHS trust in England has spent on purchasing electric vehicles in each year since 2015. (41546)
- 193 **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what proportion of eligible families are using the Healthy Start scheme in the South Devon constituency. (41706)
- 194N **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many families are receiving Healthy Start support in Nottingham East constituency. [Transferred] (41233)
- 195 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what information his Department holds on the number and proportion of nurses on a bursary unable to find nursing jobs after graduating. (41578)
- 196 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of implementing the Parkinson's UK Parky Charter. (41582)
- 197 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help increase opportunities for cultural exchange across the Commonwealth. (41475)

- 198 **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help prevent a breakdown of the peace agreement in Tigray. (41479)
- 199 **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what development aid his Department is providing to Tigray in Ethiopia to help (a) support the victims of sexual violence and (b) tackle violence against women and girls. (41480)
- 200 **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of proposed funding reductions to (a) Overseas Development Assistance and (b) USAID on the rebuilding of Tigray following the cessation of the civil war in Ethiopia. (41481)
- 201 **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to help increase capacity building within the African Union to tackle human rights violations. (41482)
- 202 **Abtisam Mohamed** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what progress he has made on the Development Review; and how he plans to use that review to inform the planned reduction in UK aid spending. (41579)
- 203N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of the diplomatic relationship between the US and Denmark. (41780)
- 204N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of recent remarks from the United States administration on the sovereignty of Greenland. (41781)
- 205 **Sir Gavin Williamson** (Stone, Great Wyrley and Penkridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of establishing a Western-led initiative to provide nuclear energy infrastructure to the Global South. (41400)
- 206 **Sir Gavin Williamson** (Stone, Great Wyrley and Penkridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions his Department has had with developing countries on identifying UK-backed nuclear energy partnerships. (41401)

- 207 **Sir Gavin Williamson** (Stone, Great Wyrley and Penkridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has of the potential impact of the increasing role of (a) Russia and (b) China in global nuclear energy exports for the UK's geopolitical interests; and whether he plans to bring forward a strategy to counter their influence in this area. (41425)
- 208 **Tahir Ali** (Birmingham Hall Green and Moseley): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will take steps to establish a dedicated resettlement route for Palestinians leaving Gaza. (41446)
- 209 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many additional police officers have been recruited under the Police Uplift Programme in Thames Valley Police. (41730)
- 210 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of recent trends in levels of rural crime rates in Buckinghamshire in the last five years. (41731)
- 211 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many cases of illegal waste dumping have been recorded in Buckinghamshire in each of the last five years. (41732)
- 212 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what funding has been allocated to community safety initiatives in (a) Buckinghamshire and (b) Milton Keynes. (41733)
- 213 **Danny Beales** (Uxbridge and South Ruislip): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to prevent the export of stolen vehicles by organised criminal groups. (41753)
- 214 **Mr Luke Charters** (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to support regional crime units to tackle (a) fraud and (b) cybercrime. (41736)
- 215 **Mr Luke Charters** (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to help prevent people under 18 years old from committing anti-social behaviour. (41738)
- 216 **Mr James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to her Oral Statement of 22 July 2024 on Border Security and Asylum, Official Report, columns 384-387, how many people who would have been eligible for (a) processing and (b) relocation to Rwanda have remained in the UK. (41440)
- 217 **Mr James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what discussions she has had with her international counterparts on third-country processing arrangements for people seeking to claim asylum in the UK. (41441)

- 218 **Mr James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent estimate she has made of the total cost of providing accommodation for asylum seekers in hotels in each of the next five years; and what these costs were in each of the past five years. (41442)
- 219 **Mr James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many asylum seekers who have had their applications rejected have been deported from the UK since July 2024; and what steps is she taking to increase such deportations in the next six months. (41443)
- 220 **Amanda Hack** (North West Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of extending the offence of assaulting a retail worker to wholesale workers operating in business-to-business premises. (41617)
- 221 **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion Preseli): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she plans that access to each of the Extended Area Services masts located in Ceredigion Preseli constituency will be shared with mobile network operators. (41478)
- 222 **Brian Leishman** (Alloa and Grangemouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, for what reasons officials in her Department met with Elbit Systems on 16 December 2024. (41686)
- 223 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of trends in the level of financial crimes across the UK in the last 12 months. (41424)
- 224 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether the Windrush Commissioner will have (a) statutory powers of investigation and (b) access to Home Office data to fulfil their role independently. (41564)
- 225 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what metrics will be used to assess the effectiveness of the Windrush Commissioner in assuring delivery of the Windrush Compensation Scheme. (41565)
- 226 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether the Windrush Commissioner will have the authority to compel responses from government departments or agencies in the course of their work. (41566)
- 227 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to ensure the the independence of the Windrush Commissioner in terms of (a) appointment, (b) resourcing and (c) reporting mechanisms. (41567)
- 228 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she considered the potential merits of consulting the Windrush scandal's (a) victims and (b) victims' representatives in determining the role specification of the Windrush Commissioner. (41568)

- 229 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what her planned timetable is to establish a duty of candour for public servants. (41606)
- 230 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many asylum seekers arrived in the UK without appropriate documents in in each year since 2020. (41560)
- 231 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Spring Statement on 26 March 2025, how the £2.2bn for financial year 2025-26 will be spent by his Department. (41494)
- 232 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether the Army still offers a Gap Year Commission. (41495)
- 233 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether the Army Officer Internship has replaced the Gap Year Commission. (41496)
- 234 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many service personnel are enrolled on the Army Officer Internship programme. (41497)
- 235 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the maximum capacity is of the Army Officer Internship programme. (41498)
- 236 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what remuneration package comes with the Army Officer Internship programme. (41499)
- 237 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many people have completed a (a) Gap Year Commission and (b) Army Officer Internship since 2015. (41500)
- 238 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many people have applied for an (a) Gap Year Commission and (b) Army Officer Internship since 2015. (41501)
- 239 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many people have subsequently joined the Regular Army after completing the (a) Gap Year Commission and (b) Army Officer Internship since 2015. (41502)
- 240 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the cost to the public purse will be of the defence reform model. (41503)
- 241 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many people have subsequently joined the Army Reserve after completing the (a) Gap Year Commission or (b) Army Officer Internship since 2015. (41504)
- 242 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether a programme similar to the Army Officer Internship scheme exists in the RAF. (41505)

- 243 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether a programme similar to the Army Officer Internship scheme exists in the Royal Navy. (41506)
- 244 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether a programme similar to the Army Officer Internship scheme exists in the Royal Marines. (41507)
- 245 **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, who the membership of the Defence Growth Board will be. (41392)
- 246 **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what his planned timetable is for the Defence Growth Board to create growth. (41393)
- 247 **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, will the Defence Growth Board report to (a) the Chancellor of the Exchequer, (b) the Secretary of State for Defence or (c) Parliament; and how will its performance be measured. (41394)
- 248 **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how the Defence Growth Board fits into the upcoming Strategic Defence Review. (41395)
- 249 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what artillery ammunition has been supplied to Ukraine. (41592)
- 250 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what discussions he has had with the Royal Air Force on the procurement of the Aermacchi M-346 fast jet trainer. (41593)
- 251 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of welfare reform on veterans. (41595)
- 252 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has a long-term (a) maintenance and (b) repair plan for armoured vehicles gifted to Ukraine beyond the training package by Babcock. (41609)
- 253 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will publish the outcomes of his meeting with the Ukraine Defence Contact Group on 12 February 2025. (41610)
- 254 **Ian Roome** (North Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the press notice entitled Major defence reforms launched, with new National Armaments Director to tackle waste and boost industry, published on 25 October 2024, what steps he is taking to (a) harmonise procurement and (b) streamline his Department's governance and processes. (41551)
- 255 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment her Department has made of the demand for housing in (a) Buckinghamshire and (b) Milton Keynes in each of the next ten years. (41716)

- 256 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many new homes have been built in (a) Buckinghamshire and (b) Milton Keynes in each of the last five years. (41717)
- 257 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to support local authorities in (a) Buckinghamshire and (b) Milton Keynes to deliver infrastructure alongside new housing developments. (41718)
- 258 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what proportion of new housing in (a) Buckinghamshire and (b) Milton Keynes has been built on brownfield land in each of the last five years. (41719)
- 259 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what recent discussions her Department has had with (a) Buckinghamshire Council and (b) Milton Keynes City Council on (i) housing targets and (ii) local plan development. (41720)
- 260 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to increase the level of affordable housing in (a) Buckinghamshire and (b) Milton Keynes. (41721)
- 261 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what recent estimate her Department has made of the number of households on local authority housing waiting lists in (a) Buckinghamshire and (b) Milton Keynes. (41722)
- 262 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what funding her Department has provided for local infrastructure improvements related to housing development in (a) Buckinghamshire and (b) Milton Keynes in each of the last five years. (41723)
- 263 **Chris Bloore** (Redditch): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will hold discussions with local authorities on increasing the provision of furniture for (a) vulnerable people, (b) families with young children and (c) people who have escaped domestic violence living in social rented accommodation. (41520)
- 264 **Ben Coleman** (Chelsea and Fulham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department has plans to encourage the freeholders of multiple occupancy leasehold buildings to install solar panels when the lease does not permit the Right To Manage Company or individual leaseholders to install panels on the common roof area. (41737)

- 265 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what guidance her Department provides to local authorities on what types of decision are required to be made by (a) the council's executive and (b) the full council. (41776)
- 266 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what information her Department holds on the amount (a) budgeted for and (b) spent on housing for (i) refugees and (ii) asylum seekers by each local authority in the 2024-25 financial year; and how much has been budgeted for this purpose for the 2025-26 financial year. (41448)
- 267 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to her Department's press release notice entitled £2 billion new investment to support biggest boost in social and affordable housebuilding in a generation, published on 25 March 2025, on what evidential basis that press notice states that the Government's investment in social and affordable housing is the biggest in a generation. (41449)
- 268 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 17 March 2025 to Question 37580 on Electoral Commission: Companies House, what discussions the Electoral Commission has had with Government departments on the (a) commencement and (b) implementation of data-sharing powers in relation to Companies House since the passage of the Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Act 2023; and whether the implementation of such powers for the Electoral Commission is dependent on (i) further commencement and (ii) secondary legislation. (41450)
- 269 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 21 March 2025 to Question 33755 on Members: Prison Sentences, whether her Department plans to change the disqualification rules for councillors in local government. (41451)
- 270 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to instruct the Local Government Boundary Commission to conduct a formal assessment of the new wards and boundaries of the new unitary authorities. (41452)
- 271 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, for what reason the Mayoral Renewables Fund is operating on a bidding scheme basis; and whether the fund is ringfenced. (41453)
- 272 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department has received representations from the RMT trade union on prioritising Transport for London staff members for social housing. (41454)

- 273 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of private rented sector reforms on the number of landlords requesting guarantors for new tenancies. (41455)
- 274 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department holds data on parish precepts levied by (a) town and (b) parish councils. (41456)
- 275 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department has issued guidance on including local Electoral Returning Officers within the definition of local authorities for the Re-use of Public Sector Information. (41457)
- 276 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 19 March 2025 to Question 37220 on Admiralty House, what logistical support was provided. (41458)
- 277 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 19 March 2025 to Question 37213 on Local Government: Disclosure of Information, what powers she has to intervene if councils do not meet obligations under the Transparency Code. (41459)
- 278 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 19 March 2025 to Question 37225 on Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government: Equality, what the training provided by (a) Ernst and Young and (b) Inclusive Employers Ltd included; and whether that spending was approved (a) before or (b) after 14 May 2024. (41460)
- 279 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 19 March 2025 to Question 37213 on Local Government: Disclosure of Information, whether her Department has considered updating the guidance entitled Local government transparency code 2015, last updated on 29 January 2015, to enable local government data to be made available through open API or XML formats. (41461)
- 280 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what information her Department holds on the level of council tax levied by (a) The Environment Agency, (b) Garden Committees, (c) Conservators, (d) Port Health Authorities, (e) Crematorium Boards and (f) Pensions Authorities in the most recent financial year for which figures are available. (41462)
- 281 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what information her Department holds on levels of resident satisfaction with local councils. (41463)

- 282 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, which non-civil service organisations second staff to her Department. (41464)
- 283 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 18 March 2025 to Question 36421 on Permitted Development Rights, if she will publish the Article 4 directions in force in each local authority. (41465)
- 284 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 18 March 2025 to Question 37218 on Byelaws, whether her Department has provided guidance on the application of byelaws which would ban (a) smoking and (b) vaping (i) in parks, (ii) on a highway, (iii) within the curtilage of a licensed premises' pavement licence and (iv) in a pub garden. (41466)
- 285 **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of proposed reductions in the welfare budget on local government services. (41664)
- 286 **Brian Mathew** (Melksham and Devizes): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if her Department will include the potential impact of new developments on air pollution in planning decisions in the National Planning Policy Framework. (41766)
- 287 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, in what month this year she will publish the draft Leasehold and Commonhold Reform Bill. (41414)
- 288 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what discussions she has held with Cabinet colleagues on the extension of the £250 reduction in electricity bills for those living within 500m of a pylon to those living near to NSIP level solar farms. (41525)
- 289 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps he plans to take to support the availability of more construction apprenticeships. (41416)
- 290 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of using the Single Transferrable Vote system in English local elections. (41569)
- 291 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool Riverside): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will hold discussions with HM Courts and Tribunals Service on the potential merits of ensuring that domestic abuse victims attending Liverpool Family Court can use a different entrance to the building to that of their alleged perpetrator. (41777)

- 292 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool Riverside): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps she is taking to reduce the time taken for domestic abuse cases to reach family courts in (a) the North West and (b) Liverpool. (41598)
- 293 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool Riverside): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps her Department is taking to ensure the adequacy of the number of specialist domestic abuse services available to assist victims during the court process in Liverpool. (41599)
- 294 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps she is taking to promote the Advance into Justice scheme; and whether she plans to take steps to establish continuity of service between the armed forces and civil service pension schemes. (41604)
- 295 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will make an estimate of the number of court hearing records that were (a) lost and (b) not recorded in the last (i) 12 months and (ii) 5 years. (41447)
- 296 **Mr Louie French** (Old Bexley and Sidcup): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 24 March 2025 to Question 39136 on the Independent Football Regulator, whether she has made an assessment of the potential impact of the Independent Football Regulator on the growth of the economy. (41518)
- 297 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South and Mid Down): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the final report by the Complaints Commissioner entitled The FCA's handling of Safe Hands Plans Limited, published on 11 March 2025, if she will make recommendations to the Financial Conduct Authority based on that report. (41597)
- 298 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much she has budgeted for the Civil Service Voluntary Exit Scheme announced in the Spring Statement 2025. (41608)
- 299 **Ian Roome** (North Devon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of extending business rate relief for retail, hospitality and leisure businesses beyond March 2026. (41563)
- 300 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of recent trends in the level of inflation. (41417)
- 301 **Richard Tice** (Boston and Skegness): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she will consider introducing a (a) transitional period and (b) grace window for homebuyers who began the property purchase process before recent changes to Stamp Duty rates to help prevent transactions from falling through. (41622)
- 302 **Laurence Turner** (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for her policies of reports of NHS staff being taxed as a second job for working overtime. (41700)

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- 1N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what his planned timeline is for the appointment of a new Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman. (41526)
- 2N **Graham Leadbitter** (Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, when she plans to reply to correspondence from the hon. Member for Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey on the closure of local area radio broadcasters of (a) 3 December 2024, (b) 20 January 2025, (c) 20 February 2025 and (d) 12 March 2025. (41675)
- 3N **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will ensure that the Listed Places of Worship Grant scheme continues beyond 2026. (41559)
- 4N **Dr Danny Chambers** (Winchester): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what progress her Department has made on introducing mandatory training on hidden disabilities for all (a) school, (b) further education and (c) higher education staff. (41687)
- 5N **Dr Caroline Johnson** (Sleaford and North Hykeham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of whether the additional funding provided to schools for the increased cost of employer National insurance contributions is adequate to meet those costs. (41470)
- 6N **Dr Caroline Johnson** (Sleaford and North Hykeham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate she has made of the number of schools whose grant offered to cover the rise in employers National Insurance contributions is not enough meet the actual cost incurred. (41471)
- 7N **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what the average length of time was in which households were without power due to outage in (a) the (i) Basingstoke & Deane: Oakley and The Candovers, (ii) East Hampshire: Bentworth & Froyle, (iii) East Hampshire: Binsted Bentley & Selborne, (iv) East Hampshire: Four Marks & Medstead, (v) East Hampshire: Ropley Hawkley & Hangers, (vi) East Hampshire: Froxfield Sheep & Steep, (vii) East Hampshire: Buriton & East Meon local authority wards and (b) (A) Hampshire, (B) the South East and (C) England in each of the last five years. (41405)

- 8N **Jayne Kirkham** (Truro and Falmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of allowing listed building owners to install uPVC double glazing to improve energy efficiency. (41656)
- 9N **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will take steps to provide adequate funding for the warm homes local grant. (41580)
- 10N **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a centralised and digitalised ID and traceability system across the UK to prevent the illegal movement of horses and other equine species. (41680)
- 11N **Alison Bennett** (Mid Sussex): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help tackle fly-tipping. [Transferred] (903504)
- 12N **Mr Clive Betts** (Sheffield South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to amend the biodiversity net gain rules on small sites being potentially developed by SME builders. [Transferred] (40992)
- 13N **Adam Dance** (Yeovil): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will reconvene the Responsible Dog Ownership Working Group. (41692)
- 14N **Dr Caroline Johnson** (Sleaford and North Hykeham): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what meetings (a) he has and (b) his Ministers have had with (i) the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care and (ii) other Ministers in the Department for Health and Social Care on the potential impact of the Data (Use and Access) Bill on the (A) quality of, (B) use of and (C) safety considerations for data on a person's sex. (41468)
- 15N **Ruth Jones** (Newport West and Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps his Department is taking to help increase levels of innovation in the semiconductor industry in south Wales. (41473)
- 16N **Ruth Jones** (Newport West and Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what the expected (a) timescale, (b) operating budget and (c) scale of the proposed National Semiconductor Institute are. (41474)
- 17N **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology if he will ensure that (a) digital access is classified as a basic utility and (b) suppliers connect broadband in a timely manner. (41626)
- 18N **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps he is taking to prevent children from being exposed to (a) violent and (b) sexual content online. (41627)

- 19N **Sojan Joseph** (Ashford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions she has had with the DVSA on the adequacy of its online booking system for booking practical driving tests. (41704)
- 20N **Laurence Turner** (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to increase capacity on the West Coast Main Line north of Birmingham. (41754)
- 21N **Ann Davies** (Caerfyrddin): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate she has made, using the same static microsimulation model as in the Spring Statement 2025 health and disability benefit impact assessment, of the number of additional (a) people and (b) children who will be in (i) relative and (ii) absolute poverty after housing costs in Wales in 2029-30 as a result of modelled changes to social security, compared to baseline projections. (41774)
- 22N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of (a) restricting eligibility for PIP, (b) reducing the health component of Universal Credit and (c) removing the health component of Universal Credit for 18-21 year olds on the unemployment rate. (41485)
- 23N **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what criteria her Department uses to assess the value for money of the Motability scheme's investments in electric vehicles. (41638)
- 24N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 24 March 2025 to Question 39387 on Vaccine Damage Payment Scheme, if he will make an estimate of the number of assessments that have missed the 95 per cent target; how many of those have been delayed by more than (a) one, (b) six and (c) 12 months; and whether penalties have been imposed on Crawford & Company for missed deadlines. (41384)
- 25N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 24 March to Question 39386 on NHS Business Services Authority: Crawford & Company, how much of the budget of £38.6m is set aside for the payment of VDPS claims; and what the forecast is for the number of applications to the VDPS to be processed by Crawford & Co for 2025-26. (41385)
- 26N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, for what reason applicants seeking mandatory reversal of decisions made by the NHSBSA on vaccine damage claims are required as a precondition to adduce fresh evidence without which no mandatory reversal is possible; and whether there is statutory provision for such a restriction. (41389)

- 27N **Adam Dance** (Yeovil): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of using arts and crafts groups to help support cancer (a) treatment and (b) recovery. (41689)
- 28N **Adam Dance** (Yeovil): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of increasing financial support for nurse-led arts and crafts groups for patients (a) with and (b) recovering from cancer. (41690)
- 29N **Adam Dance** (Yeovil): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans he has to improve early interventions for young people with severe mental health issues. (41691)
- 30N **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 13 March 2025 to Question 34655 on Department of Health and Social Care: Workplace Pensions, by what date his Department plans to finalise production of the revised delivery plan for remedial service statements. (41515)
- 31N **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 13 March 2025 to Question 34655 on Department of Health and Social Care: Workplace Pensions, by what date her Department plans to communicate the revised delivery plan for remedial service statements to affected individuals. (41516)
- 32N **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 13 March 2025 to Question 34655 on Department of Health and Social Care: Workplace Pensions, by what date all affected individuals will be contacted under the revised delivery plan for remedial service statements. (41517)
- 33N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when the Office for National Statistics will publish the quarterly and annual under-18 conception data for (a) 2022: England and Wales, Local Authority and District level and (b) 2023: England and Wales, Local Authority and District Level. (41530)
- 34N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when the Office for National Statistics will make the (a) 2022 and (b) 2023 under-18 conception data ward level data available for local authorities. (41531)
- 35N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when the Office of National Statistics will publish the quarterly England and Wales and Local Authority under-18 conception data for 2024. (41532)
- 36N **Greg Smith** (Mid Buckinghamshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Prostate Cancer Research report, Socio-economic Impact of Prostate Cancer Screening, what assessment his Department has made of the implications for his policies of the macroeconomic modelling on the benefits of prostate cancer screening. (41523)

- 37N **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence on the suitability of the EQ-5D questionnaire as tool for measuring caregiver quality of life improvements. (41683)
- 38N **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will make an assessment of the (a) adequacy of the entry criteria for the Innovative Medicines Fund and (b) whether these present barriers to patients accessing medicines in areas of high unmet need. (41684)
- 39N **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what proportion of the ringfenced £340 million budget for the Innovative Medicines Fund has been spent in each year since its launch in June 2022. (41685)
- 40N **Mr Will Forster** (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to support democracy, human rights and the rule of law in Turkey. (41697)
- 41N **Calum Miller** (Bicester and Woodstock): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on seizing the interest that has accrued on Roman Abramovich's assets associated with the sale of Chelsea Football Club. (41775)
- 42N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many business cases relating to procurement of new equipment or capabilities that have been submitted by his Department are currently awaiting approval by (a) HM Treasury and (b) Cabinet Office. (41483)
- 43N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many procurement orders have been submitted by his Department for approval by (a) HM Treasury and (b) Cabinet Office since 5th July 2024 for a value of (i) over £1 million, (ii) £500,000-1 million, (iii) under £500,000. (41484)
- 44N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to accelerate the in service date of the DragonFire system on Royal Navy vessels during the period after 2027. (41491)
- 45N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Chancellor of the Exchequer's Oral Statement on 26 March 2025 entitled Spring Statement, Official Report and his Department's press release entitled Government buys back 36,347 military homes to improve housing for forces families and save taxpayers billions, published on 17 December 2024, how much of the additional funding for defence will be spent on the agreement with Annington Homes in 2025-26. (41492)
- 46N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Spring Statement on 26 March 2025, whether the £13.4 billion increase in defence spending announced by the Prime Minister on 25 February 2025 will go ahead. (41493)

- 47N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether Parliament will be provided with an updated briefing on the Chagos deal's implications, in the context of the reported U.S. military build-up at Diego Garcia and its potential to extend operations. (41391)
- 48N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the projected cost of establishing and operating the Defence Growth Board is; and how it will be funded within the constraints of the fiscal rules and his Department's existing budget. (41396)
- 49N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph 1.2. of the Office for Budget Responsibility's report entitled Economic and Fiscal Outlook, published on 26 March 2025, what assessment he has made of the (a) affordability and (b) achievability of increasing defence spending to 2.5% of GDP from April 2027. (41397)
- 50N **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if his Department will undertake a review of intelligence-sharing structures with the US. (41672)
- 51N **Ian Roome** (North Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what process his Department used to determine the advertised prospective salary of the new National Armaments Director. (41549)
- 52N **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many housing developments have been approved in Mid Leicestershire in the last ten years. (41676)
- 53N **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many major housing developments have been completed in Mid Leicestershire constituency in the last ten years. (41677)
- 54N **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to review legislation on new home developers selling land in and around new housing estates to maintenance companies which then charge back to homeowners. (41679)
- 55N **Llinos Medi** (Ynys Môn): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will take steps to develop a rural economic strategy that provides regional funding for rural communities. (41607)
- 56N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 25 March 2025 to Question 39650 on Housing: Construction, what types of property qualify as a dwelling. (41527)
- 57N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 25 March 2025 to Question 39650 on Housing: Construction, whether a bedsit qualifies as a dwelling. (41528)

- 58N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to her oral contribution in the Second Reading of the Planning and Infrastructure Bill on 24 March 2025, Official Report, column 659, what steps she is taking to protect high-quality agricultural land. (41613)
- 59N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 25 March 2025 to Question 39650 on Housing: Construction, whether the conversion of houses into houses in multiple occupation counts as an increase in the number of new dwellings. (41614)
- 60N **Josh Babarinde** (Eastbourne): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether the Government plans to support the Domestic Abuse (Aggravated Offences) Bill. [Transferred] (903510)
- 61N **Richard Burgon** (Leeds East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the Autumn Budget 2024, what estimate she has made of how much revenue will be raised by changes to the rules for (a) non-domiciled tax status, (b) capital gains tax and (c) inheritance tax in the 2025-26 financial year. (41488)
- 62N **Dr Caroline Johnson** (Sleaford and North Hykeham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the impact of the £100k cut off for free childcare provision on (a) overall workforce productivity, (b) willingness of impacted employees to take on additional hours and responsibilities and (c) willingness of impacted NHS clinical staff to take on additional hours of work and responsibilities. [R] (41472)
- 63N **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps she is taking to ensure the adequacy of Personal Independence Payment assessments in ensuring support for people in need. (41625)
- 64N **Robin Swann** (South Antrim): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether there will be Barnett consequential from the £3.25bn Transformation Fund announced in the Spring Statement. (41705)
- 65N **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps her Department is taking to (a) reduce the levels of tax evasion by of cash-only high street businesses and (b) support small businesses to adopt card payment systems. (41682)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 1 April

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Mark Garnier** (Wyre Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has of the adequacy of the range of communication methods used by Teachers' Pensions to contact their customers. (41399)

- 2N **Tom Gordon** (Harrogate and Knaresborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to tackle adoption breakdown. (41618)
- 3N **Tom Gordon** (Harrogate and Knaresborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate her Department has made of the number of foster care placements that were unsuccessful in (a) England and (b) Wales in the 2023-24 financial year. (41619)
- 4N **Tom Gordon** (Harrogate and Knaresborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure that local authorities provide sufficient support for foster carers. (41620)
- 5N **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has undertaken a risk analysis of the potential impact of the introduction of Extended Producer Responsibility on glass manufacturers. (41426)
- 6N **Josh Newbury** (Cannock Chase): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will take steps to reconvene the Responsible Dog Ownership Working Group. (41522)
- 7N **Kirith Entwistle** (Bolton North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if he will review the criteria used to determine platform categorisation under the Online Safety Act to ensure that small but high-risk platforms hosting (a) suicide-related and (b) misogynistic content are subject to the fullest range of duties. (41571)
- 8N **Kirith Entwistle** (Bolton North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he plans to equalise the importance of (a) the nature of the content and (b) the size of the platform when determining platform categorisation under the Online Safety Act. (41572)
- 9N **Kirith Entwistle** (Bolton North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps he is taking to ensure that small but high-risk platforms promoting (a) suicide encouragement and (b) misogyny are subject to the fullest range of duties under the Online Safety Act. (41574)
- 10N **Kirith Entwistle** (Bolton North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if he will commission a report into real-world harms associated with smaller online forums that encourage (a) self-harm, (b) suicide and (c) misogyny. (41575)
- 11N **Kirith Entwistle** (Bolton North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he plans to review platform categorisation regulations under the Online Safety Act 2023. (41576)
- 12N **Noah Law** (St Austell and Newquay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to (a) support the development of battery-electrified trains and (b) ensure that those trains are made using British critical minerals. (41688)

- 13N **Steve Witherden** (Montgomeryshire and Glyndŵr): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department plans to meet disabled people to discuss the proposals set out in the Pathways to Work: Reforming Benefits and Support to Get Britain Working Green Paper, published on 26 March 2025. (41750)
- 14N **Steve Witherden** (Montgomeryshire and Glyndŵr): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, in reference to the Pathways to Work: Reforming Benefits and Support to Get Britain Working Green Paper, published on 18 March 2025, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of the proposals costs for disabled people. (41751)
- 15N **Steve Witherden** (Montgomeryshire and Glyndŵr): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to her Department's Pathways to Work Green Paper, published on 18 March 2025, what estimate her Department has made of the number of disabled people who will lose access to PIP following changes to the daily living assessment criteria. (41752)
- 16N **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 14 October 2024 to Question 7264 on Liver Diseases, how many community diagnostic centres provide transient elastography liver scans; and what steps his Department has taken to improve early detection of liver disease in high risk groups in (a) primary and (b) community care settings. (41674)
- 17N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the Government plans to (a) expedite and (b) delay the ratification of the Chagos sovereignty transfer to Mauritius. (41388)
- 18N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether any portion of the £2.2 billion spending uplift for the Ministry of Defence in the 2025-26 financial year is allocated to cover costs associated with the Chagos agreement. (41390)

Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs

- 1 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central and West): What diplomatic steps he is taking to increase exports from the North East. (903532)
- 2 **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): What assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of the Syrian constitutional declaration, signed on 13 March 2025. (903533)
- 3 **John Cooper** (Dumfries and Galloway): Which development programmes he plans to maintain funding for after the planned reduction of the Official Development Assistance budget is implemented. (903534)

- 4 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): Whether any costs arising from the proposed treaty with Mauritius on the sovereignty of the Chagos Islands will be met by his Department. (903535)
- 5 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): What steps he is taking with the Chancellor of the Exchequer to provide funding for urgent repairs to his Department's overseas estates. (903536)
- 6 **James MacCleary** (Lewes): What assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the UK's contribution to the European Union Force Bosnia and Herzegovina. (903537)
- 7 **Lewis Atkinson** (Sunderland Central): What assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of Israeli settlements in the West Bank. (903538)
- 8 **Noah Law** (St Austell and Newquay): What assessment he has made of the value for money of Official Development Assistance spending on in-donor refugee costs. (903539)
- 9 **David Davis** (Goole and Pocklington): What assessment he has made of the potential impact of planned reductions to the Official Development Assistance budget on efforts to tackle infectious diseases. (903540)
- 10 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds Central and Headingley): If he will amend the memorandum of understanding between Indonesia and the UK on a Strategic Partnership on Critical Minerals, published on 29 November 2024, to include conditions on the protection of human rights in West Papua. (903541)
- 11 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): What diplomatic steps he is taking to help advance peace in the Middle East. (903542)
- 12 **Andrew Ranger** (Wrexham): What steps he is taking to support Ukraine. (903543)
- 13 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): What steps he is taking to support a democratic political transition in Syria. (903544)
- 14 **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): What diplomatic steps he is taking to help ensure that Israel allows aid into Gaza. (903545)
- 15 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): What steps he is taking to increase the understanding of and respect for the right to self-determination globally. (903546)
- 16 **Vikki Slade** (Mid Dorset and North Poole): What discussions he has had with his Israeli counterpart on that country's military presence in the West Bank. (903547)
- 17 **Jessica Morden** (Newport East): What recent discussions he has had with his Armenian and Azerbaijani counterparts on peace negotiations between those two countries. (903548)
- 18 **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): When he plans to present to Parliament the proposed treaty with Mauritius on the sovereignty of the Chagos Islands. (903549)
- 19 **Mike Martin** (Tunbridge Wells): What steps his Department is taking to support Ukraine. (903550)

- 20 **Josh Fenton-Glynn** (Calder Valley): What assessment he has made of the potential impact of the suspension of USAID funding on the UK's HIV and AIDS prevention programmes. (903551)
- 21 **John Whitby** (Derbyshire Dales): What steps he is taking with his international counterparts to help protect the natural world. (903552)
- 22 **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): When he plans to present to Parliament the proposed treaty with Mauritius on the sovereignty of the Chagos Islands. (903553)
- 23 **Dr Zubir Ahmed** (Glasgow South West): What steps he is taking to help restore the ceasefire in Gaza. (903554)
- 24 **Mr Will Forster** (Woking): What steps his Department is taking to strengthen diplomatic cooperation with European allies in the context of US foreign policy. (903555)
- 25 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton and Winchmore Hill): What discussions he has had with his Turkish counterpart on media freedom in that country. (903556)

Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs

- T1 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): If he will make a statement on his departmental responsibilities. (903557)
- T2 **Sir Edward Leigh** (Gainsborough): (903558)
- T3 **Patrick Hurley** (Southport): (903559)
- T4 **Dr Neil Shastri-Hurst** (Solihull West and Shirley): (903560)
- T5 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): (903561)
- T6 **Chris Kane** (Stirling and Strathallan): (903562)
- T7 **Luke Myer** (Middlesbrough South and East Cleveland): (903563)
- T8 **Katie Lam** (Weald of Kent): (903564)
- T9 **Katrina Murray** (Cumbernauld and Kirkintilloch): (903565)
- T10 **Dr Danny Chambers** (Winchester): (903566)
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Questions for Answer on Wednesday 2 April

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Vikki Slade** (Mid Dorset and North Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of changes to employer National Insurance contributions on investment by businesses. (41632)
- 2N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to support adoption services. (41477)
- 3N **Mike Martin** (Tunbridge Wells): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of mandating businesses occupying spaces in (a) retail and (b) industrial estates to install solar panels on their roofs. (41701)
- 4N **Vikki Slade** (Mid Dorset and North Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of waste incineration on (a) public health and (b) respiratory conditions. (41669)
- 5N **Vikki Slade** (Mid Dorset and North Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of an increase in waste incinerators on the UK's carbon emission reduction targets. (41670)
- 6N **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will bring forward legislative proposals to make importing dogs with cropped ears illegal. (41570)
- 7N **Robin Swann** (South Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help support the devolved Administrations to (a) increase the children's palliative care workforce and (b) improve access to specialist services. (41748)
- 8N **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what consideration is given to home Energy Performance Certificates by the first-tier tribunal in determining a market rent assessment. (41588)
- 9N **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether there are obligations on landlords in relation to the rent they charge if their property has been improved with a grant under the (a) Energy Company Obligation, (b) Boiler Upgrade Scheme and (c) Warm Homes: Local Grant. (41589)

- 10N **Mary Glendon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what recent assessment he has made of the affordability of service charges for leaseholders; and if he will take steps to limit their rate of increase. (41445)
- 11N **Catherine Fookes** (Monmouthshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an estimate of the number of disabled people unable to claim an exemption on vehicle tax due to being over the age limit to access a benefit with a mobility component; and whether she has plans to reduce this gap. (41739)
- 12N **Mark Garnier** (Wyre Forest): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent progress her Department has made on the development of digital gilts; and what assessment she has made on their potential impact on the UK financial system. (41402)
- 13N **Mark Garnier** (Wyre Forest): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether her Department has a planned timeline for the implementation of digital gilts; and when she expects to lay legislation before the House. (41403)
- 14N **Mark Garnier** (Wyre Forest): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what the (a) scope and (b) remit is of the Treasury review into Financial Ombudsman Service. (41404)
- 15N **Chris Hinchliff** (North East Hertfordshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if her Department will publish the modelling used to set changes to (a) Agricultural Property Relief and (b) Business Property Relief. (41657)
- 16N **Chris Hinchliff** (North East Hertfordshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will publish her Department's impact assessments of changes to (a) Agricultural Property Relief and (b) Business Property Relief. (41658)
- 17N **Chris Hinchliff** (North East Hertfordshire): 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 National Farmers Union entitled APR and BPR reform alternative, published on 19 February 2025, on changes to agricultural property relief and business property relief. (41659)
- 18N **Chris Hinchliff** (North East Hertfordshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will publish a response to the report by the National Farmers Union entitled An impact analysis of APR reforms on commercial family farms, published on 25 November 2024. (41660)
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Questions for Answer on Monday 7 April

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to reduce compliance costs for agricultural subsidies. (41741)
- 2N **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how his Department validates estimates of compliance costs provided by regulated industries. (41764)