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Questions tabled on Wednesday 23 April 2025

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Questions for Answer on Thursday 24 April

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the publication entitled Data on responses to correspondence from MPs and Peers, updated in May 2024, what statistics are collated on departmental timeliness to responding to correspondence from people and organisations other than Parliamentarians. [Transferred] (45910)
- 2 **John Lamont** (Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will consider a public procurement initiative to increase (a) production and (b) jobs growth for British (i) manufacturers and (ii) workers. [Transferred] (46807)
- 3N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what recent assessment she has made of the potential merits of establishing an independent regulator for holiday parks. [Transferred] (45719)
- 4 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will undertake a review of the potential impact of increases in National Insurance contributions on the availability of SEND home-to-school transport provision. [Transferred] (46838)
- 5 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what type of public body the child protection authority will be; what powers it will have; how it will be funded; whether it will subsume existing (a) public bodies and (b) regulators; and what powers will it have over local government. [Transferred] (46904)

- 6 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to paragraph 2.72 of the Spring Statement, whether any of the Technical Excellence Colleges will be in Bedfordshire. [Transferred] (46983)
- 7 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to help increase awareness of employment opportunities pertaining to the North Sea. [Transferred] (46713)
- 8 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of energy costs on business in (a) Fylde constituency and (b) Lancashire. [Transferred] (46952)
- 9 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to monitor the impact of extended producer responsibility fees on the growth of the hospitality industry. [Transferred] (46837)
- 10 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with the Food Standards Agency on its plans to publish its response to the consultation entitled Best Practice Guidance - Allergen Information for Non-Prepacked Foods; and what steps he is taking with the Food Standards Agency to improve the allergen information available to consumers. [Transferred] (46923)
- 11 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many regulatory tests were carried out on animals where non-animal methods were available in 2024. [Transferred] (47005)
- 12 **David Smith** (North Northumberland): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of cybercrime from North Korea on the UK. [Transferred] (47048)
- 13 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much surplus military land has been allocated to development in local plans. [Transferred] (46974)
- 14 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent discussions she had had with stakeholders on proposals to reform the business rates system in the 2026-2027 financial year. [Transferred] (46844)
- 15 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, which representative bodies she intends to meet to hold preparatory discussions on proposals to reform the business rates system in the 2026-2027 financial year. [Transferred] (46845)
- 16 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many non-UK nationals have accessed child benefit in the last five years. [Transferred] (47010)
- 17 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will (a) increase the tax-free childcare allowance and (b) allow parents to use that allowance in place of funded hours. [Transferred] (46916)

- 18 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, who the members are of the Race Equality Engagement Group; and how they were appointed. [Transferred] (46859)

Questions for Answer on Friday 25 April

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Solicitor General, whether their Department plans to amend its policies on access to (a) toilets, (b) changing facilities and (c) other single-sex spaces in (i) Departmental buildings and (ii) other buildings within their Department's remit following the Supreme Court judgement in the case of *For Women Scotland v The Scottish Ministers* of 16 April 2025. (47433)
- 2 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the answer of 26 March 2025, to Question 39118, on Prime Minister: Press Conferences, what is his Department's policy on the use of political party (a) fittings and (b) furniture at official government events. (47333)
- 3 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether his Department has a log of the exemptions permitted to the guidance on Civil Service equality, diversity and inclusion expenditure for (a) Departments and (b) arm's length bodies. (47335)
- 4 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether decisions on Civil Service equality, diversity and inclusion expenditure will be published in Departmental annual reports; and whether his Department has had discussions with Departmental accounting officers on this matter. (47338)
- 5 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many civil servants jobs the Government plans to remove in this Parliament. (47340)
- 6 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the previous Cabinet Secretary has received approvals from the Advisory Commission on Business Appointments. (47341)
- 7 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 6 January 2025 to Question 20702 on Foreign Investment in UK: National Security, if his Department will modify the National Security and Investment Act 2021 annual reporting to ensure a separate categorisation for sectors grouped within Artificial Intelligence. (47342)

- 8 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 6 January 2025 to Question 20698 on Foreign Investment in UK: National Security, if his Department will modify the National Security and Investment Act 2021 annual reporting to include the (a) number and (b) nature of transactions that relate to links to a company owned in (i) part and (ii) whole by a foreign state. (47343)
- 9 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the letter from the Leader of the House to the Rt hon. Member for Basildon and Billericay of 14 April 2025 on Written Parliamentary Questions, reference LP/MP657, if he will provide a substantive reply to the issues raised. (47351)
- 10 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will take steps to review the adequacy of each Department's policies in relation to gender, in the context of the Supreme Court's ruling on *For Women Scotland Ltd v The Scottish Ministers*. (47427)
- 11 **Dr Andrew Murrison** (South West Wiltshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what assessment his Department has made of the potential use of (a) AI and (b) large language models in the public sector; and whether there are any pilots currently underway. (47175)
- 12 **Dr Andrew Murrison** (South West Wiltshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, which (a) generative AI or (b) large language models are in use in the public sector; and whether these models were (i) developed internally or (ii) are commercially available. (47176)
- 13 **Dr Andrew Murrison** (South West Wiltshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what guidance his Department has issued to public sector organisations on storing data generated by (a) AI and (b) large language models. (47178)
- 14 **Dr Andrew Murrison** (South West Wiltshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether National Cyber Security Centre guidelines are used to assess the potential impact of AI on the public sector. (47179)
- 15 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will make an assessment on the return on investment of GREAT campaign funding in each year since it was introduced. (47400)
- 16 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will make it his policy that hon. Members should be formally consulted before Government decisions which would have a particular impact on their constituency are made. (47401)
- 17 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many Arms Length Bodies have been created since July 2024. (47402)

- 18 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to his Department's press release entitled Hundreds of quangos to be examined for potential closure as Government takes back control, published on 7 April 2025, whether that review will consider Arms Length Bodies created since July 2024. (47403)
- 19 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will take steps to publish a frequently asked questions section as part of the Civil Service Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Expenditure Guidance, published on 14 May 2024. (47245)
- 20 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he plans to use AI technology for public appointments. (47246)
- 21 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what his policy is on the acquisition of UK Artificial Intelligence firms by foreign-owned firms. (47247)
- 22 **Sarah Gibson** (Chippenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what criteria her Department is using to identify the most critical subsectors and technologies within the eight priority sectors outlined in the UK's Modern Industrial Strategy. (47498)
- 23 **Sarah Gibson** (Chippenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what plans his Department has to incentivise employer investment in workforce training and upskilling as part of the Invest 2035 strategy. (47499)
- 24 **Sarah Gibson** (Chippenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to align the UK's Modern Industrial Strategy with economic strategies developed by devolved Administrations. (47500)
- 25 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether their Department plans to amend its policies on access to (a) toilets, (b) changing facilities and (c) other single-sex spaces in (i) Departmental buildings and (ii) other buildings within their Department's remit following the Supreme Court judgement in the case of *For Women Scotland v The Scottish Ministers* of 16 April 2025. (47428)
- 26 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a requirement for maritime insurers to verify with bank statements whether the oil price for Russian exports was paid below the price cap. (47568)
- 27 **Sir Andrew Mitchell** (Sutton Coldfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of investing in industrial sites in the West Midlands. (47171)
- 28 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment has he made of the potential impact of UK soft power on exports by UK companies. (47239)

- 29 **Jess Brown-Fuller** (Chichester): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department plans to complete the implementation of the Beijing Treaty on Audiovisual Performances. (47564)
- 30 **Mr Louie French** (Old Bexley and Sidcup): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department maintains a record of the time spent by each of her Department's Ministers in each of its offices. (47367)
- 31 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether their Department plans to amend its policies on access to (a) toilets, (b) changing facilities and (c) other single-sex spaces in (i) Departmental buildings and (ii) other buildings within their Department's remit following the Supreme Court judgement in the case of *For Women Scotland v The Scottish Ministers* of 16 April 2025. (47434)
- 32 **Sir Andrew Mitchell** (Sutton Coldfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to improve access to arts and culture in the West Midlands. (47172)
- 33 **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps the Government is taking to support communities to access media literacy education. (47589)
- 34 **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to improve access to social care provision for disabled children in all areas. (47464)
- 35 **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 11 February 2025 to Question 29226 on Media, what the two media literacy programmes funded in 2024 were called; and where she plans to publish further information about each. (47467)
- 36 **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to help mitigate potential job losses in the higher education sector. (47320)
- 37 **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the adequacy of levels of research funding in the higher education sector. (47321)
- 38 **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to encourage strategic financial planning in the higher education sector. (47322)
- 39 **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will take steps with Cabinet colleagues to remove the immigration health surcharge for international students. (47323)

- 40 **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will take steps to increase financial decision-making transparency in universities. (47324)
- 41 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to provide support to parents who have had children removed into the care system; and what support is available to help those parents maintain or develop a relationship with their children where appropriate. (47506)
- 42 **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent estimate her Department has made of the number of apprenticeship starts in the hairdressing sector in Leeds since 2024; and what steps she is taking to support salons to provide apprenticeships. (47169)
- 43 **Liz Jarvis** (Eastleigh): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to help ensure all schools have the recommended allergy safeguards in place. (47373)
- 44 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 1 April 2025 to Question 40687 on Schools: Meat, if she will take steps to ensure that parents are informed of whether meat served in school meals is halal. (47424)
- 45 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether their Department plans to amend its policies on access to (a) toilets, (b) changing facilities and (c) other single-sex spaces in (i) Departmental buildings and (ii) other buildings within their Department's remit following the Supreme Court judgement in the case of *For Women Scotland v The Scottish Ministers* of 16 April 2025. (47429)
- 46 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 22 April 2025 to Question 44536 on Childcare: Finance, what role ministers played in allocation decisions; and in what way the four key criteria were (a) assessed and (b) scored. (47310)
- 47 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will publish the (a) postcode, (b) local authority area and (c) rural urban classification for each state school that has closed and not reopened in another form in each year since 2000. (47311)
- 48 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make it her policy to mandate (a) allergy safety training, (b) the provision of spare epipens and (c) other allergy safety measures in schools. (47415)
- 49 **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South and Walkden): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if her Department will take steps to ensure that media literacy is a core component of the Curriculum and Assessment Review, the the context of increases in the use of generative AI. (47184)

- 50 **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South and Walkden): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what plans she has to provide (a) additional resources, (b) teacher training and (c) additional curriculum support on media literacy in schools. (47185)
- 51 **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she is taking steps to ensure that information and communications technology literacy forms part of the national curriculum following the Curriculum and Assessment Review. (47587)
- 52 **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she plans to provide (a) additional resources, (b) teacher training and (c) curriculum support to improve media literacy education in schools. (47588)
- 53 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when she plans to Answer Question 43980 on Schools: Concrete, tabled on 3 April 2025. (47328)
- 54 **Charlotte Cane** (Ely and East Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps he is taking to help improve the energy efficiency of homes. (47453)
- 55 **Charlotte Cane** (Ely and East Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps he is taking to increase grid capacity. (47454)
- 56 **Charlotte Cane** (Ely and East Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what plans he has to assess land use changes in applications for new energy infrastructure. (47455)
- 57 **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to support job creation in the renewable energy sector in (a) Harpenden and Berkhamsted constituency and (b) Hertfordshire. (47462)
- 58 **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to improve the energy efficiency of homes in Harpenden and Berkhamsted constituency. (47463)
- 59 **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, pursuant to the Answer on 7 February 2025 to Question 27613 on Offshore Industry: North Sea, what further steps his Department is taking to avoid prejudicing future regulatory decision-making on this matter. (47465)
- 60 **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will conduct an audit of energy Critical National infrastructure to identify whether they contain Chinese-made components. (47521)

- 61 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether their Department plans to amend its policies on access to (a) toilets, (b) changing facilities and (c) other single-sex spaces in (i) Departmental buildings and (ii) other buildings within their Department's remit following the Supreme Court judgement in the case of *For Women Scotland v The Scottish Ministers* of 16 April 2025. (47435)
- 62 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to support the growth of UK-based manufacturing capabilities for engineered carbon removal technology. (47537)
- 63 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to incentivise investment in UK-based carbon removal (a) manufacturing and (b) engineering capabilities. (47538)
- 64 **Euan Stainbank** (Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a renewable liquid heating fuel obligation for off-grid heating fuel suppliers. (47410)
- 65 **Aphra Brandreth** (Chester South and Eddisbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of the closure of the Sustainable Farming Incentive scheme on food security. (47502)
- 66 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has made has taken the cropping year into consideration when making arrangements to launch the updated Sustainable Farming Incentive. (47278)
- 67 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the steps wind energy developers are taking to incorporate nature-inclusive design as standard in offshore wind infrastructure. (47380)
- 68 **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will conduct an audit of environmental infrastructure classified as critically important to national interests to identify whether they contain Chinese-made components. (47527)
- 69 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to seek an exemption in any veterinary agreement negotiated with the EU that would ensure the UK's ability to ban the import and sale of fur products. (47607)
- 70 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help reduce the number of sewage discharges into waterbodies in Tiverton and Minehead constituency; and what steps he is taking to ensure that companies are accountable for those spills. (47503)

- 71 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether their Department plans to amend its policies on access to (a) toilets, (b) changing facilities and (c) other single-sex spaces in (i) Departmental buildings and (ii) other buildings within their Department's remit following the Supreme Court judgement in the case of *For Women Scotland v The Scottish Ministers* of 16 April 2025. (47436)
- 72 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing higher penalties for the failure of water companies to adequately (a) monitor and (b) report on sewage spills. (47581)
- 73 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what (a) support and (b) resources his Department has provided to farmers to protect livestock from dog attacks. (47541)
- 74 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to help increase levels of public awareness on the responsibilities of dog owners to prevent livestock worrying incidents. (47542)
- 75 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to implement penalties for dog attacks on livestock; and when those penalties will be enforced. (47543)
- 76 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the implementation of Gladis' Law. (47544)
- 77 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he had made of the potential impact of organophosphate exposure from sheep dip on the health of (a) farmers and (b) agricultural workers. (47547)
- 78 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of providing compensation to people affected by exposure to organophosphates in sheep dip. (47548)
- 79 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will publish a digital, publicly available map of Tree Protection Orders. (47404)
- 80 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to his Department's press release entitled England's non-woodland trees freely mapped for first time, published on 5 April 2025, whether his Department plans to use this mapping to identify trees which are not currently protected by tree protection orders. (47405)

- 81 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make a comparative assessment of the number of houses built on functional floodplains in (a) the UK and (b) the G7 in the last decade. (47406)
- 82 **Kirsty Blackman** (Aberdeen North): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, how many people work for Ofcom's Online Safety directorate as of 5 April 2025. (47223)
- 83 **Kirsty Blackman** (Aberdeen North): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what the evidential basis is to determine the number of employees required by Ofcom's Online Safety directorate to provide an evidence-based high level of service to fulfil its duties under the Online Safety Act 2023. (47224)
- 84 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what recent steps he has taken to ensure that people that rely on the Public Switched Telephone Network can migrate to broadband before January 2027. (47304)
- 85 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps he is taking to ensure there will be no disruption to telecare users' service with the end of the Public Switched Telephone Network. (47305)
- 86 **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if he will conduct an audit of technology infrastructure classified as critically important to national interests to identify whether they contain Chinese-made components. (47525)
- 87 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether the Information Commissioner has produced guidance on the inclusion of local Electoral Returning Officers within the definition of local authorities for the Re-use of Public Sector Information. (47263)
- 88 **Liz Jarvis** (Eastleigh): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he plans to introduce transparency obligations on generative AI developers to disclose information on creative works used in AI training. (47372)
- 89 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether their Department plans to amend its policies on access to (a) toilets, (b) changing facilities and (c) other single-sex spaces in (i) Departmental buildings and (ii) other buildings within their Department's remit following the Supreme Court judgement in the case of *For Women Scotland v The Scottish Ministers* of 16 April 2025. (47437)
- 90 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether (a) he and (b) his Department have had discussions with Nostrada.ai since 5 July 2024. (47397)

- 91 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central and West): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment he has had made of the effectiveness of the distribution of funding for research and development across different regions. (47203)
- 92 **Vikki Slade** (Mid Dorset and North Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps he is taking to ensure that ongoing work under the digital identities framework to digitise (a) sex and (b) other personal information incorporates safeguards to guarantee the information used is accurate where it might be recorded differently on (i) passports, (ii) driving licences and (iii) other documents. (47557)
- 93 **Charlotte Cane** (Ely and East Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate her Department has made of the potential impact of changes to the weight of volumetric concrete mixers on (a) the number of journeys undertaken by volumetric concrete mixers and (b) carbon emissions. (47456)
- 94 **Charlotte Cane** (Ely and East Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate her Department has made of the potential impact of changes to the maximum weight of volumetric concrete mixers on the number of lorry drivers required. (47457)
- 95 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what information her Department holds on the amount of (a) land and (b) property estate owned by Network Rail that is (i) unused, (ii) under-developed and (iii) available for commercial use. (47450)
- 96 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what information her Department holds on the amount of land owned by Train Operating Companies that is (a) unused, (b) undeveloped and (c) available for commercial use. (47451)
- 97 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what progress her Department has made with the Office of Rail and Road and Network Rail on (a) identifying unused track access rights and (b) making underused rail capacity available to open access operators. (47452)
- 98 **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will conduct an audit of transport infrastructure identified as critically important to national interests to identify whether they contain Chinese-made components. (47523)
- 99 **Kim Leadbeater** (Spennings Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to (a) develop satellite navigation capabilities and (b) ensure that satellite navigation systems are up to date. (47366)

- 100 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether their Department plans to amend its policies on access to (a) toilets, (b) changing facilities and (c) other single-sex spaces in (i) Departmental buildings and (ii) other buildings within their Department's remit following the Supreme Court judgement in the case of *For Women Scotland v The Scottish Ministers* of 16 April 2025. (47438)
- 101 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if her Department will meet with the hon. Member for North Cornwall to discuss the potential availability of funding to extend the Camel Trail cycle path. (47584)
- 102 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of removing return tickets on disabled people. (47573)
- 103 **Jerome Mayhew** (Broadland and Fakenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the cost to the public purse was for the development of the planning application by Network Rail for the redevelopment of London Liverpool Street station; and what estimate she has made of the potential cost of the (a) planning and (b) redevelopment of London Liverpool Street station in each of the next five financial years. (47313)
- 104 **Jerome Mayhew** (Broadland and Fakenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions her Department has had with Network Rail on the proposed redevelopment of (a) London Euston and (b) London Liverpool Street stations. (47314)
- 105 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what guidance her Department issues to drivers on (a) verifying the accuracy of their driving licence entitlements and (b) what recourse is available to them if discrepancies to their licence entitlements are found. (47536)
- 106 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions she has had with her counterparts in Northern Ireland on tackling unsafe road conditions. (47217)
- 107 **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 Kingskerswell station. (47412)
- 108 **Jess Brown-Fuller** (Chichester): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many and what proportion of people in receipt of Personal Independence Payment have a member of their household in receipt of Carer's Allowance. (47561)
- 109 **Jess Brown-Fuller** (Chichester): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many and what proportion of people in receipt of Personal Independence Payments are also in receipt of Carer's Allowance. (47562)

- 110 **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 7 April 2025 to Question 42060 on Pathways to Work: Impact Assessments, whether her Department's further programme of analysis will include a disaggregation of data by category of (a) disability and (b) health condition.(47466)
- 111 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many working-age people are in receipt of the PIP daily living component at (a) regional, (b) constituency and (c) local authority level; whether those people receive the (i) standard and (ii) enhanced rate; and what proportion of those claims were awarded less than four points in all daily living activities. (47378)
- 112 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many working-age people are in receipt of the PIP daily living component at (a) regional, (b) constituency and (c) local authority level by primary health condition; and what proportion of those claims were awarded less than four points in all daily living activities. (47379)
- 113 **Sarah Gibson** (Chippenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of earnings threshold rules for Carer's Allowance on unpaid carers engaged in part-time employment. (47494)
- 114 **Sarah Gibson** (Chippenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department plans to review the structure of the earnings limit for Carer's Allowance to reduce the risk of significant overpayments resulting from minor threshold breaches. (47495)
- 115 **Sarah Gibson** (Chippenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what proportion of Carer's Allowance overpayment cases identified by her Department in each of the last six years were subject to investigation prior to the commencement of debt recovery procedures. (47496)
- 116 **Sarah Gibson** (Chippenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department has made an assessment of the the potential merits of writing off historical Carer's Allowance overpayments in cases involving small or inadvertent breaches of the earnings limit. (47497)
- 117 **Sarah Gibson** (Chippenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that Pension Sharing Orders administered by Teachers' Pensions are processed within stated timeframes. (47501)
- 118 **Christine Jardine** (Edinburgh West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for her policies of the report published by the University of York entitled The Impact of Chiropractors on Workplace Productivity in NHS MSK Pathways, published on 12 February 2025. (47300)

- 119 **Liz Jarvis** (Eastleigh): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether people receiving disability benefits for Ménière's disease will be exempt from her proposed reforms to the benefits system. (47371)
- 120 **Adam Jogie** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of freezing levels of Local Housing Allowance on future levels of homelessness, in the context of her membership of the Inter-Ministerial Group on Homelessness and Rough Sleeping. (47448)
- 121 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate her Department has made of the number of non-UK nationals who are in receipt of (a) Universal Credit and (b) other welfare payments on 22 April 2025, broken down by nationality. (47426)
- 122 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether their Department plans to amend its policies on access to (a) toilets, (b) changing facilities and (c) other single-sex spaces in (i) Departmental buildings and (ii) other buildings within their Department's remit following the Supreme Court judgement in the case of *For Women Scotland v The Scottish Ministers* of 16 April 2025. (47439)
- 123 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department plans to review the Child Maintenance Service threshold for assessing (a) inheritance and (b) other non-earned income. (47572)
- 124 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what her planned timeline is for reviewing her proposed changes to the Personal Independence Payment assessment process. (47574)
- 125 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of proposed reforms to Personal Independence Payment on households with (a) one and (b) more than one young carer. (47575)
- 126 **Jess Brown-Fuller** (Chichester): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether GP training includes a mandatory rotation on (a) obstetrics and (b) gynaecology. (47563)
- 127 **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans he has to include people impacted by low-grade brain tumours which follow the cancer pathways, care and treatment, but are not technically cancer in the National Cancer Plan. (47461)
- 128 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing funding for the Lavender Square project in Devon; and if he will hold discussions with representatives of that project. (47376)

- 129 **Marsha De Cordova** (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps the cross-government Health Mission Board plans to take to help tackle the impact of poverty on the health of disabled people. (47309)
- 130 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent steps he has taken to increase awareness of bowel cancer symptoms in (a) Slough and (b) the South East. (47307)
- 131 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he is taking steps to increase the uptake of bowel screenings. (47308)
- 132 **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will conduct an audit of health infrastructure classified as critically important to national interests to identify whether they contain Chinese-made components. (47524)
- 133 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help prevent community pharmacy closures in (a) rural and (b) deprived areas. (47504)
- 134 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he plans to take through the 10 Year Health Plan to support community pharmacies. (47505)
- 135 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help people with arthritis to stay physically active. (47507)
- 136 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to publish (a) an arthritis action plan and (b) other disease-specific action plans following publication of the NHS 10 Year Health Plan. (47508)
- 137 **Mary Glindon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 8 April 2025 to Question 43451 on Neuroendocrine Cancer: Radiotherapy, what recent discussions his Department has had with Integrated Care Boards on the commissioning of selective internal radiation therapy. (47206)
- 138 **Andrew Gwynne** (Gorton and Denton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure that medical data available to (a) private and (b) overseas companies is used only for the purposes for which that use was granted. (47180)
- 139 **Andrew Gwynne** (Gorton and Denton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to tackle health misinformation. (47181)

- 140 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will have discussions with the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions on the research entitled *The Impact of Chiropractors on Workplace Productivity in NHS MSK Pathways*, published on 19 March 2025, on the potential impact of the use of chiropractors on waiting lists for musculoskeletal conditions, in the context of increasing levels of people in employment. (47446)
- 141 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to reduce musculoskeletal condition waiting times in Newcastle-under-Lyme constituency; and if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of using chiropractors as regulated and qualified healthcare professionals already embedded in (a) Newcastle-under-Lyme and (b) other constituencies to help reduce those waiting times. (47447)
- 142 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what information his Department holds on the (a) nationality and (b) immigration status of people using NHS (i) primary and (ii) secondary care services. (47425)
- 143 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether their Department plans to amend its policies on access to (a) toilets, (b) changing facilities and (c) other single-sex spaces in (i) Departmental buildings and (ii) other buildings within their Department's remit following the Supreme Court judgement in the case of *For Women Scotland v The Scottish Ministers* of 16 April 2025. (47430)
- 144 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to make an updated impact assessment on the postponement of proposed upgrades to North Devon District Hospital. (47582)
- 145 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an estimate of the current number of hospital beds occupied by patients who are medically fit for discharge. (47576)
- 146 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he plans to take to help improve (a) the delivery and (b) standards of patient care in dental practices following the dissolution of NHS England in 2027. (47550)
- 147 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he plans to take to improve (a) service delivery and (b) patient care standards in community pharmacies after the abolition of NHS England. (47551)
- 148 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he plans to take to improve (a) service delivery and (b) patient care standards in GP practices after the abolition of NHS England. (47552)

- 149 **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much and what proportion of the Drug and Alcohol Treatment and Recovery Improvement Grant to will be allocated to (a) inpatient detoxification, (b) housing support, (c) rough sleeping drug and alcohol treatment and (d) supplemental substance misuse and recovery elements in the 2025-26 financial year. (47186)
- 150 **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much and what proportion of the Drug and Alcohol Treatment and Recovery Improvement Grant was allocated to rough sleeping drug and alcohol treatment in each of the last five financial years. (47187)
- 151 **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 7 April 2025 to Question 41043, what her Department's process of advertising the funding applications to NHS foundation trusts was. (47193)
- 152 **Dr Andrew Murrison** (South West Wiltshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for the NHS of the use of (a) generative AI and (b) large language models; and whether pilot schemes are underway to assess potential uses. (47177)
- 153 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many MAT B1 forms have been issued by doctors to female asylum seekers since 5 July 2024. (47388)
- 154 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many dental appointments have been provided to asylum seekers since 5 July 2024. (47389)
- 155 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the cost to the public purse has been of dental support provided to asylum seekers since 5 July 2024. (47390)
- 156 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many free prescriptions for medicine have been given to asylum seekers since 5 July 2024. (47391)
- 157 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the cost to the public purse has been of free prescriptions provided to asylum seekers since 5 July 2024. (47392)
- 158 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to prevent pharmacy closures in Warwickshire. (47418)
- 159 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure the adequacy of community pharmacy provision in Stratford-on-Avon constituency. (47419)

- 160 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of hospital access to medical equipment in the Surrey Heath constituency. (47533)
- 161 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help increase the number of brick-and-mortar pharmacies. (47509)
- 162 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure equitable access to pharmacies across geographic areas, in the context of pharmacy closures. (47510)
- 163 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help prevent community pharmacy closures in (a) rural and (b) deprived areas. (47511)
- 164 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help tackle instances of inequitable access to pharmacies across geographic areas. (47512)
- 165 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department plans to take to support community pharmacy through the 10-year plan. (47513)
- 166 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what his plans are for the future (a) scope, (b) role and (c) responsibilities of National Clinical Directors. (47210)
- 167 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to expand the role of National Clinical Directors. (47211)
- 168 **Dr Neil Shastri-Hurst** (Solihull West and Shirley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to support the (a) development and (b) approval of (i) second- and third-line tyrosine kinase inhibitors and (ii) other targeted therapy options for patients with ROS1-positive cancer; and whether his Department has had recent discussions with (A) the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence and (B) pharmaceutical companies on encouraging clinical trial funding in this area. (47458)
- 169 **Vikki Slade** (Mid Dorset and North Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the NHS's 2025/26 priorities and operational planning guidance, published on 30 January 2025, what steps his Department is taking to include health infrastructure planning decisions in the scope of the commitment to streamline planning. (47554)
- 170 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve access to cognitive behavioural therapy for autistic adults with (a) a gambling addiction and (b) other forms of addiction. (47381)

- 171 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve access to cognitive behavioural therapy for people experiencing insomnia. (47382)
- 172 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of differing pay and conditions between people employed by NHS Professionals Ltd and people directly employed by the NHS on (a) recruitment, (b) retention and (c) staff morale. (47384)
- 173 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the annual profits of NHS Professionals Ltd were in each of the last five years; and whether those profits were (a) reinvested into NHS service provision and (b) returned to his Department. (47385)
- 174 **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate his Department has made of the number of procedures deliverable per £1 million of Departmental spend via (a) NHS internal delivery, (b) outsourcing and (c) insourcing. (47590)
- 175 **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to support NHS Trusts to use existing estate and equipment for insourced clinical activity during off-peak hours. (47591)
- 176 **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential cost-effectiveness of NHS insourcing as a means to reduce elective waiting lists. (47592)
- 177 **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the withdrawal of commissioned primary eyecare services from April 2025 by Hampshire and Isle of Wight Integrated Care Board on NHS hospital eye services. (47594)
- 178 **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has issued guidance to Integrated Care Boards on the (a) retention of and (b) commissioning of new (i) community urgent eyecare services, (ii) glaucoma monitoring and (iii) other community-based eyecare services. (47595)
- 179 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to his Department's press release entitled Over 1,500 extra GPs recruited to fix front door of the NHS, published on 8 April 2025, how many of those GPs will be deployed in (a) Mid Bedfordshire, (b) Bedfordshire and (c) rural areas. (47407)
- 180 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 9 April 2025 to Written Question 43758 on NHS England, how any short-term upfront costs incurred will be funded. (47408)

- 181 **Cameron Thomas** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that people with postural orthostatic tachycardia syndrome are supported financially; and whether he plans to include provisions for people with that syndrome within the 10-year health plan. (47602)
- 182 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of costs for opticians on trends in the level of people seeking eye care. (47413)
- 183 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of additional costs incurred during eye tests on low income households attending opticians. (47414)
- 184 **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of proposed reductions in spending on official development assistance on levels of debt-cancellation to heavily indebted poor countries. (47474)
- 185 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking with his international counterparts who participated in the London Sudan Conference on 15 April 2025 to help ensure that the principles agreed at that Conference to (a) seek an immediate and permanent ceasefire, (b) protect civilians and (c) allow humanitarian supplies and personnel are implemented. (47444)
- 186 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will take steps to increase the level of funding for supporting food-insecure people in Sudan. (47445)
- 187 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether their Department plans to amend its policies on access to (a) toilets, (b) changing facilities and (c) other single-sex spaces in (i) Departmental buildings and (ii) other buildings within their Department's remit following the Supreme Court judgement in the case of *For Women Scotland v The Scottish Ministers* of 16 April 2025. (47440)
- 188 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he plans to take following the London Sudan conference on 15 April 2025 to support countries neighbouring Sudan to (a) continue to keep their borders open and (b) cope with increased levels of migration. (47225)
- 189 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to ensure the additional £120 million in food aid to Sudan pledged by the UK for the 2025-26 financial year reaches (a) civilians and (b) women and girls. (47226)

- 190 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the Strengthening Peace and Resilience in Nigeria (SPRiNG) funding allocated in 2023 at achieving peace and resilience in the region. (47236)
- 191 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of ODA changes on the UK-Nigeria Security and Defence Partnership. (47237)
- 192 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking through the Commonwealth to support (a) UK soft power and (b) the soft power of Commonwealth partners. (47238)
- 193 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the value for money of the BBC World Service in terms of (a) reach and (b) impact, when compared with spending by other states on comparable services. (47241)
- 194 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the UK Soft Power Council at utilising UK science and technology. (47242)
- 195 **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the Answer of 29 June 2022 to Question 27497 on Diplomatic Service: Pilot Schemes, what recent assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of establishing a UK-Ukraine Relief Augmentation Taskforce; and whether his Department plans to utilise a reserve cadre of former (a) diplomats and (b) military officers to support crisis response operations in (i) Ukraine and (ii) other conflict-affected regions. (47593)
- 196 **Lewis Cocking** (Broxbourne): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 14 April 2025 to Question 44030 on Prisoners: Repatriation, whether (a) her Department and (b) HM Prisons and Probation Service have targets for the efficiency of the Early Removal Scheme process. (47374)
- 197 **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of granting Ukrainians settled in the UK through sponsorship schemes the right to remain (a) indefinitely and (b) until it is safe to return. (47468)
- 198 **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of (a) removing sanctions on Universal Credit and (b) ensuring sanctions are used only in exceptional circumstances. (47469)

- 199 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what resources from her Department were used to organise her visit to the Cambridgeshire Police headquarters on 10 April 2025. (47267)
- 200 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate she has made of the gross cost of the increase in employer National Insurance contributions for fire and rescue services. (47269)
- 201 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether their Department plans to amend its policies on access to (a) toilets, (b) changing facilities and (c) other single-sex spaces in (i) Departmental buildings and (ii) other buildings within their Department's remit following the Supreme Court judgement in the case of *For Women Scotland v The Scottish Ministers* of 16 April 2025. (47431)
- 202 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to support people with the police complaints process. (47570)
- 203 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what guidance is available for councils contracting private security firms to patrol town centres. (47571)
- 204 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to help improve the cyber security resilience of fire and rescue services. (47545)
- 205 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of new fire safety regulations on the workload of fire and rescue services. (47546)
- 206 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what discussions she has had with the Police and Crime Commissioner for the West Midlands on the number of neighbourhood police officers based in Aldridge-Brownhills constituency. (47230)
- 207 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate she has made of the number of named neighbourhood police officers in Aldridge-Brownhills constituency. (47231)
- 208 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the effectiveness of mobile speed camera vans in reducing speeding in (a) the West Midlands and (b) Aldridge-Brownhills constituency. (47232)
- 209 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what discussions she has had with the Coalition to Tackle Knife Crime on knife crime. (47233)

- 210 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many Aspen cards have been issued to asylum seekers since 5 July 2024. (47395)
- 211 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the cost is of Aspen cards issued since 5 July 2024. (47396)
- 212 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central and West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people that have received negative asylum decisions have subsequently become homeless in Newcastle upon Tyne Central and West constituency in the last 12 months. (47204)
- 213 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central and West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what discussions she has had with Cabinet colleagues on levels of upfront visa costs for researchers. (47205)
- 214 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of the forthcoming immigration white paper on the ability of universities to attract international students. (47532)
- 215 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what discussions she has had with the Northern Ireland Executive on funding safe houses for victims of domestic abuse. (47213)
- 216N **Valerie Vaz** (Walsall and Bloxwich): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what her policy is on police (a) widows, (b) widowers and (c) surviving partners losing deceased spouse pensions if they (i) remarry and (ii) cohabit. [Transferred] (46708)
- 217 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the hon. Member for Blaenau Gwent and Rhymney, representing the House of Commons Commission, what requirements re-elected Members of Parliament have to declare political donations received in the period from the dissolution of Parliament to their swearing in as a Member of Parliament. (47253)
- 218 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether there is a minimum level of operational experience required to hold the position of Chief of the Defence Staff following the establishment of the Military Strategic Headquarters. (47277)
- 219 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the proposed Security Pact with the European Union on existing intelligence sharing structures. (47283)
- 220 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the proposed Security Pact with the European Union on AUKUS. (47284)

- 221 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the proposed Security Pact with the European Union on UK Defence policy. (47287)
- 222 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the proposed Security Pact with the European Union on UK operational independence. (47288)
- 223 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent progress his Department has made on implementing the Submersible Ship Nuclear AUKUS programme. (47289)
- 224 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent progress his Department has made on implementing the Submarine Waterfront Infrastructure Future programme. (47290)
- 225 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent progress his Department has made on implementing the Submarine Dismantling Project. (47291)
- 226 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent progress his Department has made on implementing the Spearfish Upgrade Programme. (47292)
- 227 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent progress his Department has made on implementing the Spearcap 3 Programme. (47293)
- 228 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent progress his Department has made on implementing the Sea Venom Programme. (47294)
- 229 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent progress his Department has made on implementing the New Style of Information Technology Deployed Programme. (47295)
- 230 **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will conduct an audit of defence Critical National infrastructure to identify whether they contain Chinese-made components. (47522)
- 231 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 4 March 2025 to Question 33375 on Environment Protection: Finance, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of (a) divestment and (b) the UK green finance framework on (i) the economic viability of the UK defence industry and (ii) defence procurement costs. (47196)

- 232 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether their Department plans to amend its policies on access to (a) toilets, (b) changing facilities and (c) other single-sex spaces in (i) Departmental buildings and (ii) other buildings within their Department's remit following the Supreme Court judgement in the case of *For Women Scotland v The Scottish Ministers* of 16 April 2025. (47442)
- 233 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department is conducting or plans to commission research into the long-term health impacts of explosive exposure for military personnel. (47566)
- 234 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department plans to expand the designation of vessels considered part of Russia's shadow fleet. (47569)
- 235 **Ms Julie Minns** (Carlisle): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what progress he has made on the rollout of Programme Cortisone. (47398)
- 236 **Dr Andrew Murrison** (South West Wiltshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he has taken to implement the ruling on *For Women Scotland v The Scottish Ministers* of 16 April 2025 in the armed forces. (47174)
- 237 **Ian Roome** (North Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what progress his Department has made on improving the time taken for new UK armed forces recruits to receive a formal job offer. (47422)
- 238 **Ian Roome** (North Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, which medical conditions his Department considers categorised under the term Gulf War Syndrome. (47423)
- 239 **Suella Braverman** (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of bringing forward legislative proposals to increase the powers of mortgage holders to hold developers to account in relation to inadequate construction. (47271)
- 240 **Suella Braverman** (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department has made an assessment of the number of complaints on the quality of construction from new home owners to developers. (47272)
- 241 **Suella Braverman** (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what information her Department holds on the number of homeowners who have been required to underpin new properties within 10 years of completion due to construction faults in each of the last five years. (47273)

- 242 **Suella Braverman** (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to ensure the effectiveness of structural surveys undertaken by developers for potential locations for newbuild homes. (47274)
- 243 **Suella Braverman** (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department has made an estimate of the number of homeowners required to underpin their property due to construction faults within ten years after the date of completion of the purchase of a new home. (47275)
- 244 **Suella Braverman** (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make it her policy to ensure that ground surveys are effectively carried out by housing developers. (47276)
- 245 **Lewis Cocking** (Bromley): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to help ensure that residential freeholders are notified of future liability for charges during the conveyancing process. [R] (47375)
- 246 **Chris Coghlan** (Dorking and Horley): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of further regulation of funds by (a) developers and (b) building owners for leaseholders. (47460)
- 247 **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what recent assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of the Right to Buy scheme on local councils' ability to invest in new social housing. (47471)
- 248 **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department has considered allowing local authorities to (a) retain and (b) reinvest all proceeds from Right to Buy sales into building new council homes. (47472)
- 249 **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that homes sold under Right to Buy are not used as private rental properties. (47473)
- 250 **Sarah Gibson** (Chippenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of making water companies statutory consultees in planning applications. (47493)
- 251 **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to help support the sustainability of independent hair salons on high streets; and whether she has made a recent assessment of the contribution of such businesses to local communities. (47170)

- 252 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 25 March 2025 to Question 38618 on Freeports, whether trade unions participants in freeports governance will be subject to the same responsibilities and duties as ordinary board members. (47254)
- 253 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether any elections scheduled for May 2026 will be postponed. (47255)
- 254 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what proportion of dwellings were built on land designated as previously undeveloped Green Belt in England in each year since 1997 for which figures are held. (47256)
- 255 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether the Valuation Office Agency can increase council tax bands outside the sale of a property where the property owner has not challenged the existing valuation. (47257)
- 256 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, when her Department plans to issue updated land use in England statistics. (47258)
- 257 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 4 April 2025 to Question 41460 on Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government: Equality, how many (a) staff and (b) Ministers are members of the Inclusion Allies network. (47259)
- 258 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to give London boroughs a greater role in pan-London governance. (47260)
- 259 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of the proposed abolition of two-tier local government in Surrey on the debt held by Woking Borough Council. (47264)
- 260 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of combined authority models of mayoral governance with council-led scrutiny on the Greater London Authority. (47265)
- 261 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what guidance the Government has provided to police forces on election purdah (a) rules and (b) restrictions on publicity during the pre-election period of local elections. (47266)

- 262 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what discussions (a) Ministers and (b) civil servants have had with the Welsh Government on council tax (i) revaluation and (ii) re-banding. (47268)
- 263 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether the Spending Review Phase 2 will include council tax. (47270)
- 264 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether their Department plans to amend its policies on access to (a) toilets, (b) changing facilities and (c) other single-sex spaces in (i) Departmental buildings and (ii) other buildings within their Department's remit following the Supreme Court judgement in the case of *For Women Scotland v The Scottish Ministers* of 16 April 2025. (47443)
- 265 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department will make an assessment of the potential impact of the levels of availability of (a) affordable and (b) social housing on people living in (i) North Cornwall constituency and (ii) rural areas. (47583)
- 266 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if her Department will consider extending existing site remediation funding to Community Land Trusts. (47539)
- 267 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what funding options are available to community land trusts for (a) site remediation and (b) preliminary infrastructure work following the abolition of the Derelict Land Grant. (47540)
- 268 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether costs incurred by neighbouring local authorities from assisting Birmingham City Council (BCC) with waste collection will be met by (a) BCC and (b) her Department. (47229)
- 269 **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, which roles the Government classifies as civil servants for the purposes of short campaign election regulation. (47297)
- 270 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will take steps to ensure that planning (a) policies and (b) decisions support UK (i) nature and (ii) climate targets. (47417)
- 271 **Dr Roz Savage** (South Cotswolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department had discussions with the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors on the composition of the Service Charge Residential Management Code expert panel. (47596)

- 272 **Dr Roz Savage** (South Cotswolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department had discussions with the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors on the inclusion of service charge payer representatives on the Service Charge Residential Management Code expert panel. (47597)
- 273 **Dr Roz Savage** (South Cotswolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department approved the membership of the expert panel that contributed to the draft of the fourth edition of the Service Charge Residential Management Code. (47598)
- 274 **Dr Roz Savage** (South Cotswolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department provided terms of reference to the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors for the review and update of the Service Charge Residential Management Code; and if she will publish the terms of reference. (47599)
- 275 **Dr Roz Savage** (South Cotswolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, which teams in her Department are reviewing the draft of the 4th edition of the Service Charge Residential Management Code for (a) legal, (b) policy and (c) other considerations. (47600)
- 276 **Dr Roz Savage** (South Cotswolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department plans to (a) publish for the purposes of public scrutiny and (b) make available to hon. Members for the purposes of parliamentary scrutiny the draft 4th edition of the Service Charge Residential Management Code prior to its formal adoption. (47601)
- 277 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to expand tenants rights in relation to eviction notices. (47212)
- 278 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she plans to take to ensure community cohesion within local planning departments. (47215)
- 279 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department holds information on the number of buildings that do not meet standards for safe cladding. (47216)
- 280 **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of the mandatory commission on the sale of park homes for vendors. (47585)
- 281 **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment her Department has made of the potential implications for her policies of the report entitled Mobile homes: The impact of a change in the maximum park home sale commission, published in June 2022. (47586)

- 282 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what local taxes she intends for Mayors to be able to levy. (47409)
- 283 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether he made a recent assessment of the adequacy of neurodiversity training for people working in the criminal justice system. (47306)
- 284 **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will conduct an audit of (a) prisons and (b) other justice-system infrastructure classified as critically important to national interests to identify whether they contain Chinese-made components. (47526)
- 285 **Ben Goldsbrough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many offenders on the secure estate were held in unsuitable conditions while awaiting transfer in each of the last 10 financial years. (47475)
- 286 **Ben Goldsbrough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many (a) offender-on-offender and (b) offender-on-staff assaults have taken place on the secure estate in each of the last 10 financial years. (47476)
- 287 **Ben Goldsbrough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a target for the number of offenders on the secure estate who have employment roles. (47477)
- 288 **Ben Goldsbrough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many offenders entering the secure estate had an (a) English and (b) mathematics functional skills level (a) below and (b) above entry-level 3 in each of the last 10 financial years. (47478)
- 289 **Ben Goldsbrough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what proportion of offenders on the secure estate undertook (a) unpaid work, (b) education and (c) vocational training in each of the last 10 financial years. (47479)
- 290 **Ben Goldsbrough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many unpaid work (a) staff and (b) supervisors have been employed in each of the last 10 financial years. (47480)
- 291 **Ben Goldsbrough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many incidents of assault on unpaid work staff have been reported in each of the last 10 financial years. (47481)
- 292 **Ben Goldsbrough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether her Department has made an estimate of the value added by unpaid work projects on the secure estate. (47482)

- 293 **Ben Goldsborough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how much money has been spent on unpaid work in the secure estate in each of the last 10 financial years. (47483)
- 294 **Ben Goldsborough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if her Department will make an assessment of the potential impact of the use of force by staff on the secure estate on reoffending rates. (47484)
- 295 **Ben Goldsborough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether she has issued guidance for prison governors to ensure offenders receive first-night well-being checks upon arrival onto the secure estate. (47485)
- 296 **Ben Goldsborough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what proportion of offenders on the (a) secure estate and (b) young offenders institute estate were unlocked for (i) less than two hours, (ii) more than two hours and (iii) more than eight hours in each of the last 10 financial years. (47486)
- 297 **Ben Goldsborough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many prisons have a reading (a) strategy and (b) programme. (47487)
- 298 **Ben Goldsborough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how much funding was allocated to reading programmes on the secure estate in each of the last 10 financial years. (47488)
- 299 **Ben Goldsborough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many prisons have offered courses in (a) parenting and (b) relationships in each of the last 10 financial years. (47489)
- 300 **Ben Goldsborough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many teachers have been employed in prisons in each of the last 10 financial years. (47490)
- 301 **Ben Goldsborough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many offenders have left prison without an identified (a) employment, (b) education and (c) training outcome in each of the last 10 financial years. (47491)
- 302 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 7 February 2025 to Question 21386 on Workplace Pensions: Inheritance Tax, what the benefits are of the The Pensions Increase (Pension Scheme for Keir Starmer QC) Regulations 2013; and how those benefits differ from the Judicial Pensions and Retirement Act 1993. (47344)
- 303 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether she plans to bring forward legislative proposals to permit outdoor religious weddings. (47345)

- 304 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what her Department's budget is for translation into foreign languages in the (a) 2024-25 and (b) 2025-26 financial year. (47346)
- 305 **Lincoln Jopp** (Spelthorne): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of changes to the sentencing powers of magistrates on court backlogs since October 2024. (47560)
- 306 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether their Department plans to amend its policies on access to (a) toilets, (b) changing facilities and (c) other single-sex spaces in (i) Departmental buildings and (ii) other buildings within their Department's remit following the Supreme Court judgement in the case of *For Women Scotland v The Scottish Ministers* of 16 April 2025. (47432)
- 307 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps she is taking to support prisoner transport services in ensuring prisoners are able to get to court in time for their trial. (47353)
- 308 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many trials were deemed ineffective because of (a) witness and (b) defendant unavailability in 2024. (47354)
- 309 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps she is taking to reduce the frequency of ineffective trials that occur as a result of (a) witness and (b) defendant unavailability. (47355)
- 310 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will make an assessment of the reasons for which the number of cases that have been declared ineffective as a result of poor case preparation has increased since 2021; and what steps she is taking to help support the sector in reducing this. (47356)
- 311 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many and what proportion of trials overran in 2024. (47357)
- 312 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what recent assessment her Department has made of the potential merits of enabling opposite-sex couples to convert a civil partnership to marriage. (47531)
- 313 **Mark Pritchard** (The Wrekin): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will reform the Judicial Appointments Commission to ensure improved (a) transparency and (b) diversity in the appointments process. (47182)
- 314 **Mark Pritchard** (The Wrekin): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will have discussions with senior judges on maintaining political impartiality when making (a) professional and (b) personal comments in public. (47183)

- 315 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps she is taking to increase the number of judges to help reduce the backlog of court cases. (47383)
- 316 **Alex Easton** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, how many lorries transporting goods from Great Britain to Northern Ireland have been turned away at points of entry in the last 12 months due to (a) incorrect or (b) incomplete paperwork under the provisions of the Windsor Framework. (47519)
- 317 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what steps he plans to take with Cabinet colleagues to help ensure adequate funding for SEND in devolved nations. (47214)
- 318 **Rachel Blake** (Cities of London and Westminster): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment her Department has made of the adequacy of resourcing for agencies enforcing the UK's sanctions regime. (47518)
- 319 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the potential financial implications of the proposed Security Pact with the European Union. (47286)
- 320 **Chris Coghlan** (Dorking and Horley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 1 April to Question 4096, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for her policies of the Financial Conduct Authority's response to the Financial Regulators Complaints Commissioner's final report, published on 11 March 2025 stating that compensatory payment to the customers of Safe Hands Plans Limited will not be offered. (47459)
- 321 **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether her Department plans to expand the scope of the Loan Change review to include (a) promoters, (b) umbrella companies, (c) recruitment agencies, (d) accountants and (e) tax advisers. (47470)
- 322 **Graeme Downie** (Dunfermline and Dollar): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether her Department is aware of Chinese components in (a) banks, (b) payment terminals and (c) other economic infrastructure classified as critically important to national interests; and if she will conduct an audit of Chinese-made components in critical national infrastructure. (47528)
- 323 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, which Department is responsible for the (a) UK Climate Transition Benchmarks and (b) UK Paris-aligned Benchmarks. (47194)
- 324 **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment she has made of the potential impact of the VAT threshold on the financial sustainability of small hair salons; and what steps she is taking to help ensure the consistency of the (a) tax and (b) regulatory environment for hair salons. (47168)

- 325 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what the budget will be of the Fair Work Agency; and what the budget is of the (a) Gangmaster and Labour Abuse Authority, (b) Employment Agency Standards Inspectorate and (c) Director of Labour Market Enforcement. (47348)
- 326 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 3 March 2025 to Question 31991 on Public Expenditure, what the proportional target for savings and efficiencies is the 2024-25 financial year is; what the baseline year is for the five per cent target; and whether the five per cent target is before the previous two per cent reduction. (47350)
- 327 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 10 January 2025 to Question 20950 on Employers' Contributions: Public Sector, what progress she has made on estimating the assumed unit cost per (a) headcount and (b) FTE employee of the increase in National Insurance contributions on employers in the public sector. (47261)
- 328 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate she has made of employer National Insurance contributions paid by public sector organisations in (a) 2023-24, (b) 2024-25 and (c) 2025-26. (47262)
- 329 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of freezing Local Housing Allowance on other areas of public expenditure. (47449)
- 330 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether their Department plans to amend its policies on access to (a) toilets, (b) changing facilities and (c) other single-sex spaces in (i) Departmental buildings and (ii) other buildings within their Department's remit following the Supreme Court judgement in the case of *For Women Scotland v The Scottish Ministers* of 16 April 2025. (47441)
- 331 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of extending the current beer duty freeze on the pub industry. (47549)
- 332 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what representations she has received on reviewing the UK's de minimis limit for low value imports. (47514)
- 333 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for her policies of the British Retail Consortium's publication entitled *Trade Community Call - De Minimis Rule*, published on 11 April 2025. (47515)
- 334 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she plans to review the de minimis limit for low value imports in the context of US tariffs. (47516)

- 335 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she plans to meet with the British Retail Consortium to discuss its request that the UK's de minimis limit on low value imports be reviewed. (47517)
- 336 **Euan Stainbank** (Falkirk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of instructing the Valuation Office Agency to carry out a revaluation of commercial properties in this Parliament. (47411)
- 337 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate her Department has made of the proportion of young people who have been auto-enrolled in a pension since October 2012; and what their median expected annual pension payments will be. (47399)
- 338 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, whether she plans to review cross-Departmental (a) legislation and (b) guidance to ensure compliance with the Supreme Court's ruling on the definition of biological sex. (47608)

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Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Valerie Vaz** (Walsall and Bloxwich): To ask the Solicitor General, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of making her advice to Cabinet colleagues on the legal implications of bills available to the police. (47199)
- 2N **Valerie Vaz** (Walsall and Bloxwich): To ask the Solicitor General, whether he has produced legal advice on the compatibility of (a) Article 2 of the European Commission on Human Rights, (b) probate law and (c) civil procedure rules with the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill. (47200)
- 3N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether his Department has issued guidance on the use of Departmental premises for speeches by Ministers. (47336)
- 4N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many arms length bodies have been (a) created and (b) abolished since July 2024. (47337)
- 5N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many new (a) executive agencies, (b) non-departmental public bodies, (c) public corporations and (d) publicly-owned companies (i) have been established since 4 July 2024 and (ii) are due to be established. (47339)

- 6N **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many Government devices are used to post from the Government's TikTok account; how many other communication applications are used on those devices; how many officials have used this account; and whether he plans to increase the number of Government TikTok accounts. (47529)
- 7N **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will publish a regulatory impact assessment for the Steel Industry (Special Measures) Act 2025. (47358)
- 8N **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he has had discussions with the Office for National Statistics on initiating a reassessment of the public sector classification of British Steel. (47359)
- 9N **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what discussions (a) he and (b) Ministers in his Department have had with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on the potential impact of the use of powers in the Steel Industry (Special Measures) Act 2025 on Government fiscal policies. (47360)
- 10N **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what estimate he has made of the cost to the public purse of support for British Steel Limited through the Steel Industry (Special Measures) Act 2025; and how much his Department has committed to underwrite. (47361)
- 11N **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how much funding his Department has been provided with under Section 8 of the Steel Industry (Special Measures) Act 2025. (47362)
- 12N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Epping Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to help tackle the sale of illegal nicotine pouches. (47352)
- 13N **Calum Miller** (Bicester and Woodstock): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to his Department's press release entitled UK Government statement on denial of UK MP to enter Hong Kong, published on 14 April 2025, if his Department will publish the minutes from the meeting between the Minister for Trade Policy and Economic Security and Hong Kong's Chief Secretary for Administration as they relate to the decision to deny Wera Hobhouse MP entry to Hong Kong. (47579)
- 14N **Calum Miller** (Bicester and Woodstock): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if his Department will publish the minutes from meetings between the Minister of Trade and the Chief of Defence Staff and their Chinese interlocutors on the week commencing 7 April 2025. (47580)

- 15N **Dan Tomlinson** (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of (a) amending the Consumer Rights Act 2015 to include and (b) bringing into the scope of the Motor Ombudsman (i) small businesses run as limited companies and (ii) other small businesses; and what guidance he has issued to small businesses on their protections when purchasing faulty goods. (47530)
- 16N **Valerie Vaz** (Walsall and Bloxwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent discussions he has had with his EU counterparts on the requirements for (a) 24-hour pre-notification of invoices, (b) physical vehicle checks and (c) refusals of clearing charges by EU customers. (47197)
- 17N **Valerie Vaz** (Walsall and Bloxwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will take steps to begin negotiations for a new trade agreement with the EU. (47198)
- 18N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what recent discussions she has had with the (a) music, (b) film and (c) book publishing industry on the impact of generative AI. (47301)
- 19N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential economic impact of generative artificial intelligence on the creative sectors. (47302)
- 20N **Kirsty Blackman** (Aberdeen North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many posts there are for (a) press, (b) media and (c) other communications staff in her Department; and what the salary band is for each post. (47220)
- 21N **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what progress she has made on split site funding for schools. (47377)
- 22N **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 10 April 2025 to Question 43886 on Sustainable Farming Incentive, what estimate his Department has made of the number of farmers impacted by the closure of the scheme; and whether they will be prioritised in future schemes. (47227)
- 23N **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 10 April 2025 to Question 43886 on Sustainable Farming Incentive, what his planned timetable is for the (a) launch date, (b) details, (c) application period, (d) determination and (e) awarding of funding for the replacement scheme. (47228)
- 24N **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department plans to revise guidance issued to producers on obligations under the Extended Producer Responsibility scheme. (47386)

- 25N **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will bring forward legislative proposals to prevent overseas private equity investment in Thames Water. (47534)
- 26N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what recent discussions he has had with AI developers on material used to train generative AI models. (47303)
- 27N **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps his Department is taking to ensure the impartiality of its review into the impact of smartphones on teenagers. [Transferred] (903824)
- 28N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central and West): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, how Innovate UK's Tech Readiness Levels relate to investment readiness. (47202)
- 29N **Sarah Owen** (Luton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps his Department is taking to encourage international scientists to carry out research in British (a) universities and (b) laboratories. (47329)
- 30N **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of replacing experiments on animals with non-animal methods. (47416)
- 31N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, when the next meeting of the Cleaning Industry Liaison Forum will take place. (47166)
- 32N **Mr Paul Foster** (South Ribble): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people in South Ribble constituency are in receipt of Personal Independence Payment (PIP); how those payments are broken down between the (a) daily living and (b) mobility component; and how many of those people did not score a four or above on the assessment criteria. (47387)
- 33N **Sir Desmond Swayne** (New Forest West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to restore online access to enable disabled drivers to confirm their duty-exempt status when renewing their vehicle licence. (47165)
- 34N **Laurence Turner** (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 23 April 2024 to Question 45320 on Employment: Disability, how many complaints have been made against employers in each year for which figures are available. (47492)
- 35N **James MacCleary** (Lewes): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has had recent discussions with Sussex Police on their investigation into alleged medical negligence at the Royal Sussex County Hospital; and whether he has considered providing additional resources to support their inquiry. (47520)

- 36N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 9 April 2025 to Question 43516: Maternity Services and with reference to the Final report of the Ockenden Review, published on 30 March 2022, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the three year delivery plan for maternity and neonatal care in implementing the findings of the Ockenden review. (47368)
- 37N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 26 March 2025 to Question 38394 on Integrated Care Boards: Operating Costs, whether his Department has conducted an impact assessment on the decision to reduce ICB running costs. (47369)
- 38N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 26 March 2025 to Question 38394 on Integrated Care Boards: Operating Costs, what proportion of running costs integrated care boards are being asked to reduce; and what guidance he has issued on which services should be reduced. (47370)
- 39N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 7 April 2025 to Question 41044, what was the criteria for the award of this funding to NHS foundation trusts. (47191)
- 40N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 7 April 2025 to Question 41043, what the criteria was for these funding awards to NHS foundation trusts. (47192)
- 41N **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 30 December 2024 to Question 19000 on Social Services, when the report on the adult social care relative needs formula will be made available on the Adult Social Care Policy Research Unit Website. (47312)
- 42N **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is planning to take to support community pharmacies in the forthcoming 10-Year Health Plan. (47420)
- 43N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the number of blood donor centres that are asking (a) new and (b) returning blood donors to sign up to donate bone marrow. (47325)
- 44N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he made an assessment of the potential merits of encouraging blood marrow donation when a new blood donor registers online. (47326)
- 45N **Valerie Vaz** (Walsall and Bloxwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will publish the (a) impact, (b) economic and (c) equalities assessments for the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill before 8 May 2025. (47201)

- 46N **Kirsty Blackman** (Aberdeen North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many posts there are for (a) press, (b) media and (c) other communications staff in his Department; and what the salary band is for each post. (47221)
- 47N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what artworks owned by (a) the Government Art Collection and (b) his Department have been removed from public display from his Department's offices since 5 July 2024. (47334)
- 48N **Calum Miller** (Bicester and Woodstock): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of US Government policy on universities on British students studying in the US. (47577)
- 49N **Calum Miller** (Bicester and Woodstock): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential implications of the US Government's policies on deportation flights to El Salvador for his Department's advice to UK travellers to the US. (47578)
- 50N **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what representations he has made to his Belarussian counterpart on the reported disappearance of Anzhelika Melnikava and her daughters. (47234)
- 51N **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of reduced Official Development Assistance spending on support for Afghan women and girls. (47235)
- 52N **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of potential opportunities for the BBC World Service to further support UK soft power. (47240)
- 53N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of the Electronic Travel Authorisation scheme on tourism. (47296)
- 54N **Kirsty Blackman** (Aberdeen North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many posts there are for (a) press, (b) media and (c) other communications staff in her Department; and what the salary band is for each post. (47219)
- 55N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will meet representatives of the Orgreave Truth and Justice Campaign to discuss the potential merits of launching an inquiry into the events at Orgreave during the miners' strike. (47189)

- 56N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what her planned timeline is for launching an inquiry into the events at Orgreave during the miners' strike. (47190)
- 57N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what accommodation is being used to house people who have arrived in the UK illegally in Huntingdon constituency. (47393)
- 58N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether the (a) College of Policing and (b) National Police Chiefs' Council policing framework for violence against women and girls include male victims. (47394)
- 59N **Sarah Owen** (Luton North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to lower (a) visa and (b) administrative costs for research organisations. (47330)
- 60N **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of the Public Order Act 2023 on (a) freedom of assembly and (b) peaceful protest. (47421)
- 61N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she plans to increase the (a) role and (b) resources of (i) the National Wildlife Crime Unit and (ii) Border Force to support the (A) protection of wildlife, (B) communities and (C) ecological recovery. (47327)
- 62N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 15 April to Question 43574 on Defence: Reform, if he will set out the terms of reference for the Quad. (47280)
- 63N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 1 April to Question 43149 on Artillery: Procurement, if he will confirm that (a) no decision has been taken on the procurement of 15 MLRS and 1 RRV and (b) any decision will not be made until after the publication of the SDR. (47281)
- 64N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the proposed Security Pact with the European Union on NATO. (47282)
- 65N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the proposed Security Pact with the European Union on existing UK defence programmes. (47285)
- 66N **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department's policy on the call-out time for reservists has changed in the last six months; and what the minimum notice period is before deployment. (47565)

- 67N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what recent assessment she has made of the potential contribution of the Coalfields Regeneration Trust to Local Growth Plans in former coalfields areas with capital funding from government. (47188)
- 68N **Kirsty Blackman** (Aberdeen North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many posts there are for (a) press, (b) media and (c) other communications staff in her Department; and what the salary band is for each post. (47218)
- 69N **Dr Caroline Johnson** (Sleaford and North Hykeham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many children are detained on remand awaiting trial (a) in total and (b) by (i) age and (ii) duration of time since placed in custody. (47298)
- 70N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, whether he had discussions with Cabinet colleagues prior to the decision not to contest a compensation payment to the band Kneecap following their exclusion from the Music Export Growth Scheme. (47173)
- 71N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, with reference to paragraph 2.28 of the Office of Budget Responsibility's publication entitled Economic and fiscal outlook, published in October 2024, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the change in overall trade intensity on Scotland. (47252)
- 72N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what the cost to the public purse has been of the National Insurance holiday for the employers of veterans in each financial year since the introduction of that policy. (47279)
- 73N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment her Department has made of the potential implications for her policies of the Office for Budget Responsibility's analysis of the change in the volume of UK imports and exports compared to if the UK had remained in the EU. (47248)
- 74N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to paragraph 2.28 of the Office of Budget Responsibility's publication entitled Economic and fiscal outlook, published in October 2024, which sectors will be impacted by the change in overall trade intensity. (47249)
- 75N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to paragraph 2.28 of the Office of Budget Responsibility's publication entitled Economic and fiscal outlook, published in October 2024, what estimate she has made of the cost to the public purse of the change in overall trade intensity. (47250)
- 76N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to paragraph 2.28 of the Office of Budget Responsibility's publication entitled Economic and fiscal outlook, published in October 2024, if she will make an estimate of the macro economic cost of the change in overall trade intensity. (47251)

- 77N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether (a) Ministers and (b) special advisers from her Department (i) met and (ii) took hospitality from senior executives from TikTok at the Labour Party Conference in 2024. (47347)
- 78N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 3 March 2025 to Question 32970 on Government Departments: Consultants, how the baseline for the communication and marketing spending reductions were calculated; and what the baseline aggregate figure is. (47349)
- 79N **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of lowering the Oil Price Cap on Russia's revenue generation through seaborne oil exports. (47567)
- 80N **Kirsty Blackman** (Aberdeen North): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, if she will issue guidance on (a) what a single sex space is, (b) whether toilets should be considered single sex spaces and (c) whether any toilets should be excluded from this designation. (47222)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 29 April

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Vikki Slade** (Mid Dorset and North Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will take steps to ban the use of (a) cages for (i) laying hens and (ii) other animals and (b) close confinement systems for (A) sows and calves and (B) other animals in farming environments. (47556)
- 2N **Robin Swann** (South Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of extending Cyber Local 2025-26 to Northern Ireland. (47535)
- 3N **Vikki Slade** (Mid Dorset and North Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of providing local authorities with the ability to use automatic number-plate recognition in car parks to help (a) increase the efficiency of payment collection, (b) improve enforcement and (c) reduce risks to civil enforcement officers. (47555)
- 4N **Mary Glendon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what her planned timeline is for the implementation of recorded assessments as standard for Personal Independence Payments. (47207)

- 5N **Mary Glendon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of using the Universal Credit system to automatically register eligible households for (a) free school meals and (b) the NHS Healthy Start scheme. (47208)
- 6N **Sarah Green** (Chesham and Amersham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an assessment of the adequacy of the ease of use of the HC3 form for people applying for low-income support for NHS costs. (47363)
- 7N **Sarah Green** (Chesham and Amersham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what proportion of incorrectly completed HC3 forms have resulted in penalty to the claimant. (47364)
- 8N **Sarah Green** (Chesham and Amersham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether the light-touch review process for PIP claimants with ongoing awards will be included in future reviews of PIP reassessment. (47365)
- 9N **Mary Glendon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure all eligible recipients are registered for their NHS Healthy Start entitlement. (47209)
- 10N **Vikki Slade** (Mid Dorset and North Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of (a) increasing protections for sellers in conveyancing processes, in the context of levels of protections in (i) Scotland and (ii) Australia where bids to buy houses are binding once accepted and (b) requiring sellers to provide a full legal pack. (47559)

Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero

- 1 **Mr Joshua Reynolds** (Maidenhead): What assessment he has made of the potential implications for his Department's policies of recent trends in levels of standing charges for electricity bills. (903840)
- 2 **Jamie Stone** (Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross): What steps he is taking to support job creation in the renewable energy sector. (903841)
- 3 **Mohammad Yasin** (Bedford): What discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the UK's priorities for the UN Climate Change Conference 2025. (903842)
- 4 **Warinder Juss** (Wolverhampton West): What steps he is taking to establish international leadership on climate change. (903843)
- 5 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): What assessment he has made of the adequacy of the transparency of domestic energy bill costings. (903844)

- 6 **Martin Rhodes** (Glasgow North): What assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the clean energy transition on workers. (903845)
- 7 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): What steps he is taking to support job creation in the renewable energy sector. (903846)
- 8 **Tessa Munt** (Wells and Mendip Hills): What steps he is taking to help improve the energy efficiency of homes. (903847)
- 9 **Chris Vince** (Harlow): What assessment he has made of the potential impact of Great British Energy on job creation in industrial communities. (903848)
- 10 **Douglas McAllister** (West Dunbartonshire): What steps he is taking to support the nuclear power sector. (903849)
- 11 **James Wild** (North West Norfolk): What steps his Department is taking to help reduce industrial electricity prices. (903850)
- 12 **Richard Burgon** (Leeds East): What steps he is taking to establish international leadership on climate change. (903851)
- 13 **Harriet Cross** (Gordon and Buchan): What assessment he has made of the adequacy of the resilience of the national grid against the potential disruption of offshore energy infrastructure. (903852)
- 14 **Christine Jardine** (Edinburgh West): What steps he is taking to support job creation in the renewable energy sector. (903853)
- 15 **Sarah Dyke** (Glastonbury and Somerton): What steps he is taking to help improve the energy efficiency of homes. (903854)
- 16 **Tulip Siddiq** (Hampstead and Highgate): What steps he is taking to ensure that local authorities have adequate resources for energy efficiency upgrades for council leaseholders and social homes. (903855)
- 17 **Rachel Hopkins** (Luton South and South Bedfordshire): What discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the opportunities for industry through the National Wealth Fund. (903856)
- 18 **Andrew Ranger** (Wrexham): What progress he has made on achieving clean power by 2030. (903857)
- 19 **Monica Harding** (Esher and Walton): What steps he is taking to help reduce electricity bills. (903858)
- 20 **Tom Morrison** (Cheadle): What assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the Stockport District Heat Network on energy costs for households in fuel poverty. (903859)
- 21 **Liz Jarvis** (Eastleigh): What assessment he has made of the potential impact of increases in energy bills on consumers. (903860)

- 22 **Lauren Edwards** (Rochester and Strood): What steps he is taking to work with his European counterparts on cross-border energy projects to achieve clean power in the UK by 2030. (903861)
- 23 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): If he will remove net zero targets for key strategic industries. (903862)
- 24 **Jerome Mayhew** (Broadland and Fakenham): What assessment he has made of the potential impact of Great British Energy on household energy bills. (903863)
- 25 **Susan Murray** (Mid Dunbartonshire): What steps he is taking to help reduce the cost of electricity. (903864)

Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero

- T1 **Markus Campbell-Savours** (Penrith and Solway): If he will make a statement on his departmental responsibilities. (903865)
- T2 **Amanda Hack** (North West Leicestershire): (903866)
- T3 **Liz Jarvis** (Eastleigh): (903867)
- T4 **Mr Jonathan Brash** (Hartlepool): (903868)
- T5 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): (903869)
- T6 **Baggy Shanker** (Derby South): (903870)
- T7 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): (903871)
- T8 **Noah Law** (St Austell and Newquay): (903872)
- T9 **Lauren Edwards** (Rochester and Strood): (903873)
- T10 **Rachel Blake** (Cities of London and Westminster): (903874)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 30 April

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Sarah Bool** (South Northamptonshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what progress his Department has made on the negotiation of a Sanitary and Phytosanitary agreement with the EU. (47603)

- 2N **Sarah Bool** (South Northamptonshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to the British Hair Council's report entitled Securing the future of UK hairdressing and beauty: the economic, fiscal & societal case for VAT reform, published in February 2025, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a mandatory register of hairdressing professionals. (47605)
- 3N **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the stability of higher education finances. (47315)
- 4N **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing an alternative to the fee-based funding model for higher education. (47317)
- 5N **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the potential merits of introducing student number controls to address competition in the sector. (47318)
- 6N **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the potential merits of a review of the governance of higher education. (47319)
- 7N **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Stamford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of the approved monitoring scheme for PM10 admissions from quarries. (47331)
- 8N **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Stamford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will consider reforming the monitoring system for PM10 emissions from quarries; and if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of doing so on public health. (47332)
- 9N **Jim Allister** (North Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of prioritising UK medical school graduates' preference informed allocation over international medical graduates. (47606)
- 10N **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of visa restrictions on revenue streams in the Higher Education sector. (47316)
- 11N **Vikki Slade** (Mid Dorset and North Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she expects the Migration Advisory Committee's review into the financial requirements for the Family Visa route to be published; and what plans she has for the minimum salary threshold for the Family Visa. (47558)
- 12N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what plans her Department has for regulation of the residential property management sector to improve standards and protect leaseholders and other residents. (47243)

- 13N **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what information her Department holds on the number of former foreign national asylum seekers granted (a) refugee status and (b) settlement claiming (i) emergency homeless and (ii) temporary accommodation. [Transferred] (46896)
- 14N **David Davis** (Goole and Pocklington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to her oral contribution of 22 April 2025, Official Report, column 911, what her Department's requisite level of accuracy is for AI transcriptions of court trials. (47167)
- 15N **Vikki Slade** (Mid Dorset and North Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many offenders convicted of offences against children have been released under early release schemes; and what continuing supervision is taking place. (47553)
- 16N **Tonia Antoniazzi** (Gower): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, when he most recently met with (a) Airbus and (b) other relevant stakeholders to discuss the future of Spirit AeroSystems; and what was discussed at each meeting. (47299)
- 17N **Sarah Bool** (South Northamptonshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the British Hair Council's report entitled Securing the future of UK hairdressing and beauty: the economic, fiscal & societal case for VAT reform, published in February 2025, whether she has made an assessment of the potential economic benefits of reducing the VAT rate to ten per cent for labour-based services. (47604)
- 18N **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 4 March 2025 to Question 33375 on Environment Protection: Finance, whether the Taskforce for Climate-related Financial Disclosures rules for listed companies to refer to the new International Sustainability Standards Board standards will allow for investments in (a) defence companies and (b) companies supporting Trident nuclear deterrent renewal. (47195)