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Questions tabled on Tuesday 20 May 2025

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Questions for Answer on Wednesday 21 May

Questions for Written Answer

- Stuart Anderson (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to improve the long-term viability of local authority-owned leisure centres.

 [Transferred] (53168)
- Mr Louie French (Old Bexley and Sidcup): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture,
 Media and Sport, what discussions she has had with the (a) Secretary of State for
 Education and (b) Chancellor of the Exchequer on the potential merits of re-instating
 the Opening School Facilities fund.

 [Transferred] (53234)
- Mr Louie French (Old Bexley and Sidcup): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what discussions she has had with the (a) Secretary of State for Education and (b) Chancellor of the Exchequer on the potential impact of the (i) Primary School PE and Sport Premium, (ii) Holiday Activities Fund and (iii) School Games Organiser Network on grassroots participation in sport amongst young people.

[Transferred] (53235)

- 4 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to help tackle mental health discrimination in schools. [Transferred] (53048)
- Ben Obese-Jecty (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to his Department's press release entitled Warm homes and cheaper bills as government accelerates Plan for Change, published on 7 February 2025, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of extending the upgrading of rented homes to Energy Performance Certificate C on housing supply. [Transferred] (53290)

- Pippa Heylings (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether the UK-US trade deal prevents the importation of meat from low-welfare feedlots; and if he will consult animal welfare organisations on this matter.

 [Transferred] (53274)
- Pippa Heylings (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Business and Trade on the potential environmental impact of US meat imports on UK (a) farming and (b) climate goals.

 [Transferred] (53276)
- Steve Race (Exeter): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he has taken to ensure that any future UK-EU sanitary and phytosanitary veterinary agreement supports the role of (a) zoos and (b) aquariums in international conservation breeding programmes.

 [Transferred] (53268)
- 9 **Steve Race** (Exeter): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent engagement he has had with (a) zoos and (b) aquariums on the inclusion of conservation animal transfers in any future UK-EU veterinary agreement. [Transferred] (53269)
- 10 **Brian Mathew** (Melksham and Devizes): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
 Innovation and Technology, whether his Department is taking steps with animal
 protection organisations to phase out animal experimentation. [Transferred] (53358)
- Steve Witherden (Montgomeryshire and Glyndŵr): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 22 April 2025 to Question 44809 on Local Housing Allowance: Wales, what metrics, data points or analysis were used to assess the impact of LHA rates referenced his answer; and whether this included the impact on the number of people becoming homeless.

 [Transferred] (53359)
- 12 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 13 March 2025 to Question 35647 on Coronavirus: Research, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of the Prescription Medicines Code of Practice Authority case rulings with reference (a) AUTH/3835/10/23 and (b) 0316/10/24 on the governance of the Government's mRNA research and development partnership with Moderna.
- 13N **Luke Myer** (Middlesbrough South and East Cleveland): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department is taking steps to regulate the use of (a) algorithmic and (b) AI-driven decision-making tools in the private rental sector.

 [Transferred] (52419)
- 14 Mrs Elsie Blundell (Heywood and Middleton North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how the Infrastructure Strategy will support infrastructure enhancements in the North West.

 [Transferred] (53284)

- Suella Braverman (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether her Department has made an estimate of the potential impact of the increase in employer National Insurance contributions on the average cost of operation of pub chains.

 [Transferred] (53104)
- Suella Braverman (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the increase in employer National Insurance contributions on pubs.

 [Transferred] (53106)

Questions for Answer on Thursday 22 May

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N Andrew Griffith (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many notifications under the National Security and Investment Act 2021 involving foreign acquirers have been (a) received and (b) cleared unconditionally in each month since the Act came into force.

 [Transferred] (53219)
- 2N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the Prime Minister has scheduled a meeting with the Intelligence and Security Committee.

 [Transferred] (53205)
- Euan Stainbank (Falkirk): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to his Department's press release entitled Thousands of Civil Service roles moved out of London in latest reform to the state, published on 14 May 2025, what assessment his Department has made of the economic impact on Scottish cities of relocating civil service jobs from London to (a) Glasgow, (b) Edinburgh, and (c) Aberdeen.
- 4 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, when he plans to respond to the correspondence of 15 April 2025 from the hon. Member for Twickenham, case reference MW56464. (53642)
- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet
 Office, which Ministers have used Admiralty House as an office workplace in the last 30
 years. (53528)
- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 3 April 2025 to Question 41435 on Arms Length Bodies, what the total number of Arm's Length Bodies was on 4 July 2024; and what the total number was on 20 May 2025. (53529)

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- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the Answer of 19 October 2023 to Question 202664 on Cabinet Office: Senior Civil Servants, how many (a) Directors and (b) Directors General there are in the Cabinet Office; and how many of those are on secondment from other departments.
- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether appointments to Skills England will be included in the Public Bodies Order in Council; and whether the chair appointment will be classified as a Significant Appointment.
- 9 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he plans to lay a new Official Statistics Order to designate the Border Security Command's statistical outputs as official statistics. (53532)
- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to his Department's guidance entitled Public Bodies Handbook Part 2: The Approvals Process for the Creation of New Arm's-Length Bodies, whether his Department's public bodies team assessed the National Wealth Fund against the requirement that the creation of a new arm's length body should only be considered as a last resort; whether the Treasury provided evidence that alternative delivery models were considered; and which of the tests in Chapter Two of that guidance National Wealth Fund met.
- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet
 Office, what unpaid advisers have been appointed by (a) 10 Downing Street and (b) his
 Department since the general election. (53534)
- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 13 May 2025 to Question 48562 on Arms Length Bodies, what the sponsoring department is; and in what policy area Project Seahorse is exploring delivery options. (53535)
- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he plans to publish a Regulatory Impact Assessment for the measures contained in the (a) UK-EU Summit Common Understanding and (b) the UK-EU Security and Defence Partnership. (53536)
- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether new staff members of the (a) National Wealth Fund and (b) Great British Energy will be eligible to join the Civil Service Pension Scheme; and whether existing civil servants who transfer across to those new bodies will have their Civil Service pension membership continued under their new employment. (53537)

- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the creation of the Ethics and Integrity Commission will involve the abolition or merger of (a) the Advisory Committee on Business Appointments, (b) the Committee on Standards in Public Life, (c) the Public Appointments Commissioner and (d) the Registrar of Consultant Lobbyists.
- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet
 Office, what guidance his Department provide to the House of Lords Appointments
 Commission on the processes to follow when vetting peerages. (53539)
- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 13 May 2025 on Government Departments: Equality, in which departments have decisions on EDI spending controls been delegated to their Permanent Secretary. (53540)
- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet
 Office, pursuant to the Answer of 13 May 2025 to Question 45016 on Civil Service, if he will
 issue a Ministerial Correction to the Answer to attach the requested information. (53541)
- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet
 Office, what costs have been re-charged from (a) Downing Street and (b) the Cabinet
 Office to the Labour Party since 4 July 2024.
- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, further to the Prime Minister's post on X dated 19 May 2025, what is the evidential basis for the proposition that the UK-EU Summit Common Understanding will result in "lower food prices at the checkout" for consumers. (53543)
- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the Model Special Adviser Contract published on the Government's website, if he will publish a copy of the equivalent template contract for Permanent Secretaries. (53544)
- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 19 May 2025 to Question 51160 on Office for National Statistics: Industrial Disputes, what the average daily occupation is for (a) Newport, (b) Titchfield, (c) London, (d) Manchester, (e) Edinburgh and (f) Darlington, in the most recent period for which figures are available, expressed as the average over a 5 day period of (i) proportion of desks occupied and (ii) proportion of assigned workforce to that office location attending that office.
- 23 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 19 May 2025 to Question 52338 on House of Lords Appointments Commission, whether any other competitions have taken place since 4 July 2024 for the House of Lords Appointments Commission which have (a) concluded with appointees and (b) been cancelled after being opened. (53546)

- 24 **Juliet Campbell** (Broxtowe): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to help support (a) fathers and (b) partners take (i) paternity leave and unpaid parental leave in Broxtowe constituency. (53692)
- Ellie Chowns (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of the US President's Executive Order entitled Unleashing America's Offshore Critical Minerals and Resources, published on 24 April 2025; and if he will issue guidance to UK nationals on the compatibility of involvement in seabed mining operations with UK membership of the International Seabed Authority.
- Anna Gelderd (South East Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, for what reason consumers in England are not able to deal directly with Trading Standards services; and whether he plans to review this approach. (53796)
- 27 **Anna Gelderd** (South East Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what processes are in place to help ensure that consumers that submit complaints to Trading Standards through Citizens Advice receive feedback on the outcome of their complaint. (53797)
- 28 **Anna Gelderd** (South East Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he has made an assessment of the adequacy of the Trading Standards complaints process. (53798)
- 29 **Anna Gelderd** (South East Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to help ensure that the Trading Standards system meets consumer needs.

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- 30 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how the Infrastructure Strategy will support infrastructure enhancements in Lincolnshire. (53472)
- 31 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the UK-India free trade agreement on levels of investment in (a) Lincolnshire and (b) the East Midlands. (53473)
- 32 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the UK-US trade agreement on levels of investment in (a) Lincolnshire and (b) the East Midlands. (53474)
- Dan Norris (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of trade deals with (a) India and (b) the USA on the economy of North East Somerset and Hanham constituency.

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- 34 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to the trade agreement with the EU of 19 May 2025, what (a) tariffs and (b) rules will apply to steel exports to the EU. (53703)
- 35 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he has conducted an impact assessment of the removal of tariffs from US imports of ethanol to the UK. (53719)
- 36 **Melanie Onn** (Great Grimsby and Cleethorpes): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the Humber's Viking carbon capture project on levels of investment in the area. (53559)
- 37 **Sammy Wilson** (East Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to support cycle manufacturers. (53485)
- 38 Sammy Wilson (East Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the potential impact that revoking anti-dumping and countervailing measures on non-folding e-bikes imported from China has had on UK cycle manufacturing. (53486)
- 39 **Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of online fundraising platforms' use of tipping sliders. (53625)
- 40 **Ben Goldsborough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what proportion of funding allocated through the Youth Investment Fund has been allocated to (a) Town and (b) Parish Councils in each year applications were open. (53734)
- Ben Goldsborough (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, how much Youth Investment Fund money has been allocated to (a) organisations, (b) authorities and (c) other entities with premises within South Norfolk constituency in each year applications were open. (53735)
- 42 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to increase the provision of youth clubs in (a) North Cornwall constituency and (b) rural areas. (53790)
- 43 **Max Wilkinson** (Cheltenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department has had discussions with Ofcom on the adequacy of levels of news bulletins in the BBC's proposals for new DAB radio stations targeted at younger audiences. (53687)
- 44 **Mrs Elsie Blundell** (Heywood and Middleton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment has been made of the adequacy of early years funding models in supporting (a) parents and (b) guardians who work fewer than 16 hours per week. (53699)

- 45 **Mrs Elsie Blundell** (Heywood and Middleton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment has been made of the adequacy of single parent family access to high quality childcare settings. (53700)
- 46 **Mrs Elsie Blundell** (Heywood and Middleton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to support single parents re-entering the workforce with funding to access high-quality childcare. (53701)
- 47 **Mrs Elsie Blundell** (Heywood and Middleton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to ensure that it is financially viable for childcare settings to offer places to three and four year-old children. (53702)
- 48 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of the decision to cap the Adoption and Special Guardianship Support Fund on children in adoptive and kinship care.

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- 49 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she made an assessment of the potential impact of removing the match-funding provision through the Adoption and Special Guardianship Support Fund on children in adoptive and kinship care before announcing those changes. (53749)
- 50N **Pippa Heylings** (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she plans to introduce provisions to allow British National (Overseas) visa holders access to home-rate university tuition fees prior to obtaining settled status. [Transferred] (53279)
- James McMurdock (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what support is available to promote (a) lifelong learning and (b) digital inclusion for older people. (53809)
- James McMurdock (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether the independent Curriculum and Assessment Review will assess (a) attainment data which shows girls continue to do better than boys across all headline measure and (b) the potential causes behind this trend. (53810)
- Dan Norris (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for
 Education, whether estates managed by her Department are participating in the No Mow
 May initiative. (53461)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent discussions she has had with university leaders on tackling antisemitism. (53500)
- Martin Wrigley (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she plans to take steps to (a) help reduce the pay-gap for supply teachers in comparison to full-time teachers and (b) create a pathway for supply teachers to access the Teachers' pension scheme.

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Security and Net Zero, whether people living near (a) new and (b) certain upgraded network transmission infrastructure and who would otherwise be an eligible person under clause 22 of the Planning and Infrastructure Bill but their (i) landlord and (ii) park home site owner pays for their electricity and therefore they do not have a direct relationship to an electricity supplier will be eligible for any financial benefit scheme; and whether that financial benefit will be in the form of (A) electricity bill discounts and (B) compensation.

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- 57 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if his Department will meet with OfGem to discuss poor practice in the recouping of missed or underpaid payments in the energy sector. (53751)
- Sir John Hayes (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of the Grimsby to Walpole pylon project on (a) farm and (b) wild animals on the route.

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- 59 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what discussions he has had with the Home Secretary on whether changes to minimum energy performance standards for the private rented sector will apply to fixed-term accommodation for irregular migrants procured by the Home Office. (53571)
- 60 **Afzal Khan** (Manchester Rusholme): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, when he plans to publish a new Carbon Budget Delivery Plan. (53626)
- 61 **Graham Leadbitter** (Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of prioritising upgrades to the National Grid at (a) major visitor attractions and (b) areas of high public footfall to support the expansion of (i) electric vehicle charging infrastructure and (ii) on-site renewables.
- 62 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero. how many meetings his Department has had with (a) representatives of commercial nuclear manufacturers, (b) power utilities interested in building a new nuclear plant and (c) non-governmental organisations concerned with nuclear power in the last six months; and if he will publish the minutes of each meeting. (53777)
- 63 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he has made an assessment of (a) the comparative efficiency and (b) cost-effectiveness of (i) improving the thermal efficiency of existing Combined Cycle Gas Turbine power stations and (ii) investing in small modular nuclear reactors. (53778)

- **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of improving the efficiency of existing Combined Cycle Gas Turbine power stations on wholesale electricity prices. (53779)
- James Naish (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps he is taking to align UK oil and gas production with climate targets. (53683)
- James Naish (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps he is taking to support growth in domestic clean energy supply chains. (53684)
- **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what progress he has made on considering the transfer of the British Coal Superannuation Scheme to its members. (53458)
- **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to help reduce household energy bills. (53649)
- **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent estimate his Department has made of the cost of decarbonising the electricity grid by 2030. (53650)
- **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of Great British Energy on household energy bills. (53651)
- **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of reaching 24GW of nuclear capacity by 2050. (53652)
- **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of reaching 24GW of nuclear capacity by 2050. (53653)
- **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to help reduce industrial carbon emissions. (53654)
- **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of resilience of the national grid against the potential disruption of offshore energy infrastructure. (53655)
- **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the Clean Heat Market Mechanism on the costs of installing new gas boilers. (53656)
- **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps he is taking to support the North Sea oil and gas sector. (53657)

- 77 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department plans to take to ensure that forest risk commodities implementing legislation supports the UK's commitments under the Forest, Agriculture and Commodity Trade Dialogue on (a) making finance available to smallholders, (b) supporting transition towards sustainable production and (c) strengthening enabling conditions. (53745)
- 78 Anna Gelderd (South East Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to encourage landowners to offer longer-term leases to tenant farmers. (53792)
- 79 **Anna Gelderd** (South East Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to introduce any (a) fiscal and (b) policy incentives to support longer-term leasing arrangements between landowners and tenant farmers. (53793)
- Andrew George (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when he plans for badger culling in England to end. (53466)
- 81 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will hold discussions with the Exmoor National Park Authority on the suitability of change of use applications for pubs on Exmoor. (53746)
- 82 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he plans to de-designate the Swanscombe Peninsula Site of Special Scientific Interest to allow housebuilding previously planned for the Ebbsfleet Development Corporation. (53576)
- 83 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 28 April 2025 to Question 45683 on Waste Management: Birmingham, if he will publish the advice and assessments provided by the Environment Agency as part of the multi-agency response. (53577)
- 84 **Liz Jarvis** (Eastleigh): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what progress his Department has made on publishing a timeline to bring forward legislative measures to end trail hunting. (53682)
- 85 **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the press release entitled Government to launch £360m Fishing and Coastal Growth Fund, published on 19 May 2025, whether the fund will be UK-wide; and what the Barnet consequentials will be for each of the devolved Administrations. (53765)
- 86 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to reduce microplastic pollution from combined sewer outflows.

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- Helen Maguire (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment,
 Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to require the Environment Agency to revise
 environmental permits to enforce compliance with the Urban Waste Water Treatment
 Regulations 1994.

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- 88 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent progress his Department has made on helping tackle cases of adverse events in dogs which have been administered Librela. (53457)
- 89 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what his plans to tackle wildlife crime are in North East Somerset and Hanham constituency. (53459)
- 90 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if the £360 million Fishing and Coastal Growth Fund announced on 19 May 2025 will be used provide training to upskill the workforce. (53716)
- 91 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether the £360 million Fishing and Coastal Growth Fund announced on 19 May 2025 will be used to provide new (a) technology and (b) equipment to modernise the fleet.

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- 92 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment has he made of the potential impact of the UK-US trade deal on the UK sugar beet farming industry. (53718)
- 93 **Adrian Ramsay** (Waveney Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of precision breeding on market concentration in the agricultural sector. (53774)
- 94 **Adrian Ramsay** (Waveney Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to review the membership of the Chair of Cranswick plc on the Food Strategy Advisory Board. (53775)
- 95 **Adrian Ramsay** (Waveney Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to ensure that the food strategy complies with the Animal Welfare (Sentience) Act 2022. (53776)
- Joe Robertson (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether the beverage industry manufacturers will be required to pay the Extended Producer Responsibility levy if they sell their products in the on-trade market with proof from the vendor of a non-council-funded recycling scheme. (53756)
- 97 Joe Robertson (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to introduce a requirement for tethered caps on drinks before 2029.
 (53758)

- **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate he has made of the number of farmers who will be impacted by changes to Agriculture Property Relief and Business Property Relief. (53658)
- **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate he has made of the quantity of illegal food products that have entered the UK in the last six months. (53659)
- **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to increase biosecurity. (53660)
- **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent changes he has made to the Capital Grants scheme. (53661)
- **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what plans he has to encourage people to buy UK produce. (53662)
- Martin Wrigley (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he is taking steps to financially support oil and gas workers during the transition away from fossil fuels. (53725)
- **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what work Innovate UK has undertaken in the last five years in relation to (a) cyber-security and (b) cyber-physical infrastructure. (53567)
- **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what investigations his Department has carried out on the condition of copper telecommunications cabling in rural areas. (53491)
- **Abtisam Mohamed** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
 Innovation and Technology, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of
 regulating the level of charges levied by online image rights holders in cases of copyright
 infringement.

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- **Adrian Ramsay** (Waveney Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, how much and what proportion of funding for (a) agricultural genetic modification research and development and (b) precision breeding techniques has been allocated to (i) non-UK companies and (ii) UK companies in each of the last 10 years. (53772)
- Olivia Blake (Sheffield Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of funding for the British Transport Police. (53670)
- Olivia Blake (Sheffield Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the establishment of Great British Railways on funding for the British Transport Police. (53671)

- 110 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 30 October 2024 to Question 10460 on Railways: Electrification, whether she has made an estimate of the potential savings to the public purse per mile of track electrified from introducing a rolling programme of electrification. (53618)
- Mary Kelly Foy (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department has issued guidance to local authorities on considering the hierarchy of road users when assessing local speed limits. (53628)
- Mary Kelly Foy (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department has issued guidance to local authorities on the weight that should be given to quality of life issues when assessing local speed limits. (53629)
- 113 Mary Kelly Foy (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of requiring local authorities to consider the curtilage of properties when assessing local speed limits. (53630)
- 114 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what information her Department holds on the average bus punctuality rates for Lincolnshire in each year since 2015. (53468)
- Ben Maguire (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if her
 Department will make an assessment of the potential impact of reduced bus service (a)
 frequency and (b) routes on people travelling to healthcare appointments in (i) North
 Cornwall and (ii) other rural areas.

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- 116 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of existing levels of funding for the British Transport Police. (53563)
- 117 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what her plans are for future funding arrangements for British Transport Police (a) during and (b) after the transition to Great British Railways. (53564)
- 118 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will publish which local authorities have the powers to enforce moving traffic restrictions. (53730)
- 119 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the Zero Emission Vehicle Mandate on employment levels in the UK automotive manufacturing sector. (53805)
- 120 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she plans to review the 2030 deadline for the ban on new petrol and diesel cars, in the context of (a) existing infrastructure readiness and (b) domestic manufacturing capacity. (53806)

- **Sir Andrew Mitchell** (Sutton Coldfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she plans to take to improve rail services in the West Midlands. (53477)
- **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will ask Network Rail to install Overlay Miniature Stop Lights at Viaduct level crossing in Chirk Bank. (53681)
- **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps National Highways is taking to coordinate with local authorities on managing (a) fly-tipping and (b) litter in places which crossover or overlap between special roads and trunk roads.

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- **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps National Highways is taking to reduce (a) fly-tipping and (b) litter on roads it is responsible for. (53522)
- **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Local Transport will meet the hon. Member for Richmond Park to discuss the future of Hammersmith Bridge. (53600)
- Munira Wilson (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate she has made of the number of primary schools which will be exposed to noise pollution from Heathrow expansion proposals above (a) 45dB, (b) 51dB and (c) 54dB. (53637)
- **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she plans to establish an independent noise authority. (53638)
- **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she plans to update health costs of noise impacts in Transport Appraisal Guidance. (53639)
- **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will set a minimum acceptable level of noise for Heathrow expansion proposals. (53640)
- **Juliet Campbell** (Broxtowe): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to support disabled households with additional energy costs from (a) medical equipment and (b) home adaptions. (53688)
- **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many convictions under the Equal Pay Act there have been; and what the scale of the fines issued is. (53484)
- 132N **Mary Glindon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the Department's publication entitled Pathways to Work: Reforming Benefits and Support to Get Britain Working Green Paper, published in March 2025, what recent assessment she has made of the potential impact of the reforms on the service capacity of (a) voluntary and (b) community sector organisations. [Transferred] (53044)

- Clive Jones (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the oral contribution of the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, in response to the question from the hon. Member for Wokingham of 12 February 2025, Official Report, column 176WH, when further information in writing will be provided.
- 134 **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, by how much has the level of funding for the Access to Work scheme changed in the last 12 months. (53547)
- Rebecca Long Bailey (Salford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she has taken to reduce wait times for Access to Work support. (53550)
- Helen Maguire (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of increasing flexibility within Universal Credit to enable greater labour market engagement. (53780)
- 137 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment she has made of the potential impact of the Pathways to Work:

 Reforming Benefits and Support to Get Britain Working Green Paper, published on 18

 March 2025, on (a) benefits advisory services and (b) charities. (53781)
- Helen Maguire (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of proposed welfare reforms on the capacity of the Household Support Fund. (53782)
- James McMurdock (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for
 Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to improve access to financial advice for
 people with little to no savings.
- Helen Morgan (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions,
 what steps her Department is taking to help support pensioners in North Shropshire
 constituency whose pre-1997 contributions are not subject to indexation. (53677)
- Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and
 Pensions, what estimate has she made of the number of pensioners living in households in
 fuel poverty in Aldridge-Brownhills constituency. (53523)
- 142 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an assessment of the number of people who are providing unpaid care for a relative or loved one in Aldridge-Brownhills constituency . (53524)
- James Naish (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to ensure that autism is considered in delivery plans for the Get Britain Working White Paper, published on 26 November 2024. (53685)

- 144 Dave Robertson (Lichfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how the National Jobs and Careers Service will complement the Pathways to Work: Reforming Benefits and Support to Get Britain Working Green Paper, published on 18 March 2025. (53729)
- 145 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to support young people not able to work due to primary caring responsibilities. (53501)
- Martin Wrigley (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of changes to PIP eligibility on the (a) health and (b) economic security of people living with mental illnesses. (53724)
- Juliet Campbell (Broxtowe): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he would make an assessment of the potential merits of providing free Covid-19 vaccine boosters to people with long Covid. (53689)
- 148 **Juliet Campbell** (Broxtowe): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to support people with long Covid. (53690)
- Juliet Campbell (Broxtowe): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what progress he has made on pay uplifts for NHS staff for 2025-2026 financial year; and what steps he is taking to engage with UNISON to resolve disputes to NHS pay structure.
 (53691)
- 150 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 19 May 2025 to Question 51941 on Paraneoplastic Encephalomyelitis: Diagnosis, how many laboratories provide blood testing for Paraneoplastic Encephalomyelitis. (53635)
- Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 19 May to Question 51941 on Paraneoplastic Encephalomyelitis:

 Diagnosis, whether the NHS routinely sends blood samples to the US for analysis when testing for Paraneoplastic Encephalomyelitis. (53636)
- 152 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of the provision of emergency back up generators in rural (a) hospitals and (b) GP surgeries. (53747)
- Sir John Hayes (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve fracture liaison services for people aged over 50 in Lincolnshire. (53470)
- 154 **Dr Caroline Johnson** (Sleaford and North Hykeham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether the increase in employer National Insurance contributions announced in the Autumn 2024 Budget applies to (a) NHS England, (b) Health Education England, (c) NHS Digital, (d) NHS Improvement, (e) Health Research Authority, (f) Human Tissue Authority, (g) Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority,

- (h) NHS Business Services Authority, (i) NHS Counter Fraud Authority, (j) NHS Blood and Transplant, (k) NHS Resolution, (l) Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency, (m) UK Health Security Agency, (n) Care Quality Commission and (o) the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence.
- Dr Caroline Johnson (Sleaford and North Hykeham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether the increase in the Lower Earnings Limit for National Insurance contributions announced in the Autumn 2024 Budget applies to (a) NHS England, (b) Health Education England, (c) NHS Digital, (d) NHS Improvement, (e) Health Research Authority, (f) Human Tissue Authority, (g) Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority, (h) NHS Business Services Authority, (i) NHS Counter Fraud Authority, (j) NHS Blood and Transplant, (k) NHS Resolution, (l) Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency, (m) UK Health Security Agency, (n) Care Quality Commission and (o) the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence.
- 156 **Dr Caroline Johnson** (Sleaford and North Hykeham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people are employed by (a) NHS England, (b) Health Education England, (c) NHS Digital, (d) NHS Improvement, (e) Health Research Authority, (f) Human Tissue Authority, (g) Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority, (h) NHS Business Services Authority, (i) NHS Counter Fraud Authority, (j) NHS Blood and Transplant, (k) NHS Resolution, (l) Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency, (m) UK Health Security Agency, (n) Care Quality Commission and (o) the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence for which the latest data is available. (53603)
- 157 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential barriers to access to Primary Healthcare in rural areas. (53788)
- Helen Maguire (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what are the retention rates for NHS staff for each year since 2020. (53785)
- 159 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve NHS staff (a) working conditions and (b) wellbeing. (53786)
- 160 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve (a) early diagnosis and (b) prevention strategies for chronic kidney disease in primary care settings. (53803)
- James McMurdock (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure that NHS services are responsive to the (a) complex and (b) long-term needs of people living with chronic kidney disease.

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- James McMurdock (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve access to local NHS services for older people.
 (53807)
- 163 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to (a) support and (b) expand community-based physical activity programmes specifically designed for older people. (53808)
- 164 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much his Department has allocated to medical research into Parkinson's disease in each of the last three financial years. (53644)
- Navendu Mishra (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the average waiting time was for patients with Parkinson's disease to see a neurologist in (a) Stockport and (b) Greater Manchester in the latest period for which data is available.

 (53645)
- 166 **Sir Andrew Mitchell** (Sutton Coldfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to reduce the backlog for cancer treatment in the West Midlands. (53478)
- 167 **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help prevent the mishandling of patient information by social care providers. (53678)
- 168 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the number of older people with unmet health and care needs in Aldridge-Brownhills constituency. (53525)
- 169 Dan Norris (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether estates managed by his Department are participating in the No Mow May initiative. (53460)
- 170 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he has conducted an impact assessment on the updating of the Carr-Hill funding formula. (53715)
- 171 **Mr Joshua Reynolds** (Maidenhead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to accelerate the uptake of non-animal New Approach Methodologies in (a) regulatory testing and (b) scientific research. (53787)
- 172 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many children age one to five have been prescribed montelukast in each of the last five years.

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- **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many children age between 5 to 11 years of age have been prescribed Montelukast in each of the last five years (53503)
- **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many children aged between one to five years of age have been prescribed Clenil in each of the last five years.

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- **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many children aged between 6 to 10 years of age have been prescribed Clenil in each of the last five years.

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- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many children are on the waiting list for tonsillectomy; and how many of those have been waiting for (a) under one year, (b) two years, (c) three years, (d) four years and (e) over five years.

 (53506)
- **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to increase levels of (a) prescribing rights and (b) public health advisory services for qualified (i) pharmacists, (ii) nurse practitioners and (iii) paramedics. (53726)
- Martin Wrigley (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve health outcomes for people with a UTI in Devon. (53728)
- **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to his Oral Statement of 20 May
 2025 on Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories, Official Report, what discussions
 he has had with (a) his Israeli counterpart (b) other Israel representatives on that
 Statement.

 (53755)
- **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Stamford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what progress his Department has made on
 negotiations on Gibraltar-EU relations. (53643)
- **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion Preseli): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will hold discussions with his Moroccan counterpart on the expulsion of journalists (a) Matteo Garavoglia and (b) Giovanni Culmone from El Aaiun on April 27 2025. (53615)
- **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion Preseli): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make representations to the UN Security Council to send a fact-finding mission to investigate the human rights of Saharawis in (a) occupied Western Sahara and (b) prisons in Morocco. (53616)

- 183 **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion Preseli): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make representations to the UN Security Council to (a) give the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara the legal mandate to (i) monitor and (ii) report on human rights in the territories controlled by the (A) Kingdom of Morocco and (B) Frente Polisario and (b) for the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara to report the findings to the UN Security Council. (53617)
- 184 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what the total expenditure by his Department is on overseas (a) road repairs, (b) waterways, (c) bridges, (d) highways and (e) canals in each of the last five years.

 (53489)
- 185 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 1 May 2025
 to Question 47676 on Anzhalika Melnikava, what discussions he has had with his
 counterparts in (a) Europe and (b) elsewhere on reports of the disappearance of
 Anzhelika Melnikava and her daughters. (53507)
- 186 Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 6 May 2025 to
 Question 49372 on Development Aid, what discussions he has had with the Secretary of
 State for the Home Department on achieving planned reductions for the next multi-year
 Spending Review. (53508)
- Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 8 May 2025 to
 Question 47686 on Humanitarian Aid, how much of the allocation has been (a) spent and
 (b) allocated.
- 188 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 8 May 2025 to
 Question 47226 on Sudan: Food Aid, what steps he is taking to ensure that UK-funded
 humanitarian assistance in Sudan directly reaches (a) protection services, (b) maternal
 healthcare, (c) access to food aid and (d) other services for women and girls. (53510)
- 189 Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what role the UK plans to play in building onTreaty of Jeddah processes. (53511)
- 190 Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of adequacy of levels of access granted to UN agencies to Sudan for the provision of humanitarian support. (53512)

- **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what further multilateral steps he plans to take
 following the London-Sudan Conference on 15 April 2025 to support a political solution in
 Sudan. (53513)
- **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking following the LondonSudan Conference on 15 April 2025 to help secure UN Security Council consensus on
 Sudan. (53514)
- **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions his Department has
 had with Humanitarian Action on the situation in Sudan. (53515)
- **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he plans to ringfence education

 funding in Sudan following the planned reductions in UK ODA spending. (53516)
- **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking with international
 partners to help tackle sexual violence in conflict in Sudan; and what assessment he has
 made of the potential impact of conflict in Sudan on women and girls. (53517)
- Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 7 May 2025 to
 Question 48426 on Sudan: Humanitarian Aid, what steps he is taking to ensure that UK aid
 is reaching the people that need it in Sudan.
- **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 8 May 2025 to
 Question 48940 on European Political Community, whether (a) officials and (b) Ministers
 from his Department attended. (53519)
- **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 9 May 2025 to Question 49724 on Saint Helena: Police, whether the national average salary for locally recruited police constables includes the salaries of Technical Cooperation Officers. (53479)
- 199 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 12 May 2025 to Question 49901 on Saint Helena: Aviation, whether the weather causing delayed flights includes wind shear; and whether this was identified as a potential issue prior to the construction of the airport.

- 200 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 9 May 2025 to Question 49725 on Saint Helena: Public Finance, what initiatives other than the Tourism Development Fund his Department supports to improve financial self-sufficiency. (53481)
- 201 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the Governor of Saint Helena decides which positions in the police service are filled by Technical Cooperation Officers. (53482)
- 202 Euan Stainbank (Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make it his policy to suspend the remaining arms licences to Israel, in the context of remarks by Prime Minister Netanyahu on control of Gaza made on 19 May 2025.
 (53723)
- 203N **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of disapplying the Human Rights Act on the removal of foreign national offenders from British prisons.

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- 204 Anna Gelderd (South East Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she plans to extend the Seasonal Worker visa route beyond 6 months.
 (53794)
- 205 **Anna Gelderd** (South East Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of extending the Seasonal Worker visa scheme to support labour availability for longer crop cycles. (53795)
- 206 **Andrew George** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she plans to (a) amend, (b) repeal and (c) replace the Public Order Act 2023. (53464)
- 207 **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to his Department's White Paper entitled Restoring control over the immigration system, published on 12 May 2025, whether the expansion of the Point-Based System to increase in the standard qualifying period for settlement to 10 years would apply to future applicants to the British National (Overseas) visa scheme. (53475)
- 208 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South and Mid Down): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the average waiting time for a decision for any asylum seeker is once they have received confirmation that their application is receiving prioritization due to compassionate circumstances. (53646)
- 209 Claire Hanna (Belfast South and Mid Down): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the average waiting time is for any asylum seeker to receive a decision from the date they claimed asylum.
 (53647)

- **Lloyd Hatton** (South Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what progress she has made on implementing the cross-system professional enablers strategy. (53738)
- **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how much Fentanyl by (a) volume and (b) value has been seized in the UK in the last 12 months. (53467)
- **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department plans to increase visible policing in areas in Lincolnshire with high rates of road traffic offences. (53471)
- **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, to confirm whether (a) an Equality Impact Assessment and (b) a Human Rights Impact Assessment have been made of the impact of changes made on 10 February 2025 to "Good Character" guidance in relation to UK citizenship applications on long-term UK residents and their UK-based family members. (53551)
- Properties 214 Rebecca Long Bailey (Salford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the changes to "Good Character" guidance for UK citizenship applications made on 10 February 2025, what estimate she has made of the number of (a) parents and (b) guardians of UK-born children will have citizenship entitlements different from their (i) children and (ii) wards.
- **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether (a) an Equality Impact Assessment and (b) a Human Rights Impact Assessment have recently been made in relation to the 10-year immigration pathway to settlement.

 (53553)
- **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent assessment has been made of the (a) Equality Impact and (b) Human Rights Impact of the No Recourse to Public Funds condition on people following the 10-year settlement route.
- **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to her Department's White Paper entitled Restoring control over the immigration system published on 12 May 2025, in relation to which visa routes she is considering an increase in the standard qualifying period for settlement from 5 to 10 years.
- **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to her Department's white paper entitled Restoring control over the immigration system published 12 May 2025, in relation to which visa routes she is considering increasing the level of English language required from B1 to B2 under the Common European Framework for Reference for Languages. (53556)

- 219 **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to her Department's white paper entitled Restoring control over the immigration system, published on 12 May 2025, how her Department defines a contribution for the purpose of considering a persons contribution to society and the economy; how this will be measured; and whether the measurements will be conducted in house by her Department. (53557)
- 220 **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to her Department's White Paper entitled Restoring control over the immigration system, published on 12 May 2025, whether the proposals will apply retrospectively to people already on five or 10 year routes to settlement. (53558)
- 221 James McMurdock (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of larger police presence in neighbourhoods on rates of (a) retail crime and (b) anti-social behaviour.
 (53812)
- 222 James McMurdock (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to tackle the causes of retail crime.
 (53813)
- 223 Ben Obese-Jecty (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she plans to have discussions with her EU counterparts on UK access to EU facial images data. (53707)
- 224 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when pet passports will be available for travel between the UK and EU. (53708)
- 225 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the news story entitled PM secures new agreement with EU to benefit British people, published on 19 May 2025, at what level the youth experience scheme will be (a) capped at and (b) time-limited to. (53709)
- 226 **Euan Stainbank** (Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the White Paper entitled Restoring control over the immigration system, published 12 May 2025, whether her Department's proposed changes to the qualifying period for settled status will apply to people who have acquired settled status but have not yet lived in the UK continuously for ten years. (53722)
- 227 **Mike Tapp** (Dover and Deal): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, which database systems are the people who have arrived via small boat crossing checked against for (a) criminal and (b) counter-terrorism information; and how long does it take on average for full checks on people to be conducted and the full results received. (53760)

- 228 James Cartlidge (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph six of the policy paper entitled Security and defence partnership between the European Union and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, published on 19 May 2025, how the EU-UK Security and Defence Partnership will reinforce the UK's contribution to NATO. (53580)
- 229 James Cartlidge (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to clause 12, subsection A, of the Security and Defence Partnership announced on 19 May 2025, if he will list all participants of the six-monthly foreign and security policy dialogues.
 (53581)
- 230 James Cartlidge (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph eight of his Department's policy paper entitled Security and defence partnership between the European Union and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, published on 19 May 2025, when the UK plans to formally join the Permanent Structured Co-operation on security and defence (PESCO) project Military Mobility.
- 231 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph 12A of his Department's policy paper entitled Security and defence partnership between the European Union and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, published on 19 May 2025, where the six-monthly foreign and security policy dialogues take place. (53583)
- 232 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph 12B of his Department's policy paper entitled Security and defence partnership between the European Union and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, published on 19 May 2025, what the requirements are for the UK to receive an invitation to the EU high-level meetings. (53584)
- 233 James Cartlidge (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph 12B of his Department's policy paper entitled Security and defence partnership between the European Union and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, published on 19 May 2025, what the requirements are for the UK to invite the HR to high-level meetings organised by the UK.
- 234 James Cartlidge (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph 12, subsection C of the policy paper entitled Security and defence partnership between the European Union and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, published on 19 May 2025, where the annual Security and Defence Dialogues will take place.

- James Cartlidge (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph 12, subsection D of the policy paper entitled Security and defence partnership between the European Union and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, published on 19 May 2025, who will participate in the annual working level consultations.
- 236 James Cartlidge (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph 12, subsection F, of the policy paper entitled Security and defence partnership between the European Union and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, published on 19 May 2025, whether he plans to accept the invitation to participate in the biannual Schuman Security and Defence Forum. (53588)
- 237 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph 14 of the policy paper entitled Security and defence partnership between the European Union and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, published on 19 May 2025, how he plans to collaborate further with the EU on Russia and Ukraine.

(53589)

- 238 James Cartlidge (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph 18of the policy paper entitled Security and defence partnership between the European Union and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, published on 19 May 2025, under what circumstances the UK will be invited to (a) observe and (b) participate in EU crisis management exercises.
- 239 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph 18 of his Department's policy paper entitled Security and defence partnership between the European Union and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, published on 19 May 2025, in what circumstances would the UK invite the EU to (a) observe and (b) participate in crisis management exercises. (53591)
- 240 James Cartlidge (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph 18 of the policy paper entitled Security and defence partnership between the European Union and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, published on 19 May 2025, whether the UK military chiefs will (a) observe and (b) participate in EU crisis management exercises.
 (53592)
- 241 James Cartlidge (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph 22 of the policy paper entitled Security and defence partnership between the European Union and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, published on 19 May 2025, who will participate in the EU and UK's regular exchanges on maritime security.
 (53593)

- 242 James Cartlidge (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph 22 of the policy paper entitled Security and defence partnership between the European Union and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, published on 19 May 2025, how frequently will the EU and UK hold exchanges on maritime security.
 (53594)
- 243 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether estates managed by his Department participate in the No Mow May initiative. (53462)
- 244 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many Ukrainian military personnel from the Ukrainian Armed Forces Shkval Battalions have been trained in the UK. (53704)
- 245 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 15 May 2025 to Question 46138 on Unmanned Air Systems: Procurement, how many of the FPV drones procured by his Department are for use by the (a) Army, (b) Royal Air Force, (c) Royal Navy and (d) Royal Marines. (53705)
- 246 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 15 May 2025 to Question 46138 on Unmanned Air Systems: Procurement, how many variants within the FPV drones procured by his Department have a NATO stock number; and what those stock numbers are. (53706)
- 247 **Juliet Campbell** (Broxtowe): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to tackle homelessness in (a) Broxtowe Constituency and (b) the East Midlands. (53693)
- 248 **Lizzi Collinge** (Morecambe and Lunesdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she has made an assessment of the potential impact of the proposed Ground 4A in the Renters' Rights Bill on landlords who rent (a) one and (b) two-bedroom properties to students. (53739)
- Dame Caroline Dinenage (Gosport): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, whether her plans for English devolution will give
 Mayors powers over waterborne transport networks.
- 250 Anneliese Dodds (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment her Department has made for the potential implications for its policies of Social Housing Action Campaign's research entitled Tribunals Research Finds Overcharging in 70% of Cases as HA Service Charge Income Soars, published in February 2025; what assessment she has made of trends in the level of service charges being found unreasonable in law; and what steps her Department is taking to prevent unreasonable service charge decisions. (53624)
- 251 **Andrew George** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what proportion of funding to tackle fuel poverty has been allocated to home insulation. (53465)

- 252 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if her Department will issue guidance on raising an issue of safety on a housing development where the operators are aware of the risks. (53750)
- 253 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, whether the scheduled local council elections in
 Essex in 2026 will be (a) postponed and (b) cancelled. (53565)
- 254 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 24 March 2025, to
 Question 38621 on Combined Authorities, if she will make it her departmental policy to ask
 for sex not gender in future consultations. (53566)
- 255 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, what data her Department holds on the amount of
 (a) Metropolitan Open Land and (b) Green Belt land in Greater London, broken down by (i)
 electoral ward and (ii) division. (53568)
- 256 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, whether she intends to lay regulations to commence
 the substantive provisions in section 113 of the Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 on
 Power to decline to determine applications in cases of earlier non-implementation etc.

(53569)

- 257 Kevin Hollinrake (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether interested parties will be able to submit written representations on the proposed Chinese Embassy to the Secretary of State after the planning inspector's report has been finalised. (53570)
- 258 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, what county flags have been flown from her
 Department's headquarters in Marsham Street since 4 July 2024. (53572)
- 259 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, with reference to her Department's correspondence
 on the appointment of the Oxford Growth Commission Chair, published on 12 May 2025,
 whether the Chair is remunerated; and if she will require him to publish a declaration of
 (a) interests and (b) political activity. (53573)
- 260 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, if she will publish a copy of the Section 106
 agreement that was submitted to the planning inquiry for the proposed Chinese Embassy
 in London.

 (53574)
- Kevin Hollinrake (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, if there will be a mayoral election for Lancashire
 County Combined Authority in May 2026.

- 262 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how much funding was awarded to Knutsford Town Council via the Shared Prosperity Fund. (53492)
- 263 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant of the Answer of 29 April 2025 to Question 45609 on Knutsford Town Council: Finance, how much of this grant was received by Knutsford Town Council.

 (53493)
- 264 Margaret Mullane (Dagenham and Rainham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to help prevent
 the decommissioning of supported housing schemes. (53763)
- 265 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to her Department's press release entitled Warm homes and cheaper bills as government accelerates Plan for Change, published on 7 February 2025, how the figure of the average cost to landlords of complying with the proposals to upgrade their properties was calculated. (53710)
- 266 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 6 March 2025 to Question 34056 on Fire and Rescue Services: Finance, when will the population data be updated to include a population projection from the 2021 census data. (53711)
- 267 Dr Roz Savage (South Cotswolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of properties that undergo significant structural extensions but remain in their original council tax banding due to legislative restrictions on revaluation on local authority revenues.
 (53791)
- 268 Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to help improve the condition of social housing properties. (53499)
- 269 Lisa Smart (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing measures to support the redevelopment of vacant commercial properties into affordable housing. (53698)
- 270 **Max Wilkinson** (Cheltenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what her planned timetable is for unitarisation in areas where local elections were not postponed from May 2025. (53686)
- 271 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will make an assessment of the effectiveness of the Office of the Public Guardian in investigating a person with lasting power of attorney. (53752)

- 272 Rachel Gilmour (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if she will make an assessment of the appropriateness of the duties of care homes in relation to Lasting Powers of Attorney for residents.
 (53753)
- **Andrew Gwynne** (Gorton and Denton): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many prosecutions were brought against the biological parents of children in foster care for incidents involving (a) inappropriate, (b) threatening and (c) abusive contact with their child's foster parents since May 2024. (53814)
- **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many times were drugs were found in (a) men's and (b) women's prisons in each year between 2015 and 2024.
- **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps her Department is taking to inform members of the public affected by the cyber attack on the Legal Aid Agency. (53667)
- **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Bexhill and Battle): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps her Department is taking to inform legal aid providers of the potential impact of the cyber attack on the Legal Aid Agency; and what assessment she has made of the cyber attack on the provision of legal aid services. (53668)
- **Anna Sabine** (Frome and East Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether she has made an estimate of the number of domestic abuse offenders who would be included in the Early Release Scheme. (53766)
- **Dr Scott Arthur** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, what steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to improve broadband (a) connectivity and (b) speeds in Scotland. (53737)
- **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many enquiries have hon. Members made to HMRC on errors that led to constituents being overcharged tax in each of the last five years; and what proportion of those enquiries resulted in HMRC repaying overcharged tax in each of the last five years. (53743)
- **Alex Easton** (North Down): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate she has made of the cost to the public purse of the outcome of the UK-EU Summit on 19 May 2025.

 (53759)
- **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if her Department will make an assessment of the potential impact of the increase in employer National Insurance contributions on independent businesses in rural constituencies. (53754)
- Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 7 May 2025 to Question 46726 on Treasury: Information Officers, what the total annual cost is for the 40.9 full-time equivalent Government Communication Service professionals.
 (53520)

- Adrian Ramsay (Waveney Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment her Department has made of the potential contribution of precision bred (a) crops and (b) foods to the economy (i) in each of the next seven years and (ii) from 2032.

 (53773)
- Preet Kaur Gill (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, how many people are employed in the Race Equality Unit; and if she will publish the number of employees by ethnic group.

 (53605)
- Preet Kaur Gill (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, how many people are employed in the Race Equality Unit; and how many of those people identify to each religious group. (53606)
- 286 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what estimate she has made of the number of Sikh people in the UK in each of the past five years.

 (53607)
- 287 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what estimate she has made of the number of Jewish people in the UK in each of the past five years.

 (53608)
- Preet Kaur Gill (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, if she will estimate the median hourly pay of Sikhs in each of the past five years. (53609)
- 289 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what the median hourly pay of Hindus was in each of the last five years. (53610)
- 290 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what the median hourly pay of Muslims was in each of the last five years. (53611)
- 291 Preet Kaur Gill (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what the median hourly pay of people of Pakistani heritage was in each of the last five years.
 (53612)
- 292 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what the median hourly pay of people of Bangladeshi heritage was in each of the last five years.

 (53613)
- 293 Preet Kaur Gill (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what the median hourly pay of people of Indian heritage was in each of the last five years.
 (53614)

Questions for Answer on Monday 2 June

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Jim Allister** (North Antrim): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what function will the border posts being built at Northern Ireland's ports now perform in light of the UK-EU deal. (53800)
- 2N **Jim Allister** (North Antrim): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the UK-EU deal on the (a) applicability and (b) operation of the Official Controls Regulation (EU) 2017/625 in Northern Ireland. (53801)
- Jim Allister (North Antrim): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what assessment he has made of the effect of the SPS agreement with the EU of 19 May 2025 on the requirement for (a) customs declarations and (b) inspections for the trade of sanitary and phytosanitary goods from Great Britain to Northern Ireland. (53802)
- 4N **Sir Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, when he plans respond to Question 50047 tabled on 6 May 2025 for answer on 12 May 2025. (53452)
- 5N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the AW159 Wildcat helicopters designated (a) ZZ394 and (b) ZZ384 flown by 815 Naval Air Squadron, known as Marine 11 and Marine 12, have been used for ministerial travel since 5 July 2024. (53714)
- 6N **Dame Harriett Baldwin** (West Worcestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many applications were received by UK Export Finance in each month of the last five years; and what the value of those applications was. (53494)
- 7N **Dame Harriett Baldwin** (West Worcestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to the About Us page for the Office for Investment on gov.uk, updated on 8 November 2024, when he plans to set out further details on the expanded Office for Investment; and when that expanded office will be operational. (53498)
- 8N **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what representations the Minister for Investment has received on the decision to end the remittance basis of taxation. (53672)
- 9N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Epping Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the UK-EU trade deal on the sustainability of the fisheries sector. (53663)
- 10N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Epping Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether increasing fishing quotas for UK fisheries was discussed during negotiations on the UK-EU trade deal. (53664)

- 11N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Epping Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether his Department had discussions with the UK fisheries sector on negotiations with the EU for the UK-EU trade deal. (53665)
- 12N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Epping Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether the UK-EU trade deal will allow the roll-out of gene editing in (a) plants, (b) crops, (c) animals and (d) birds. (53666)
- 13N **Sir Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to prevent non-disclosure agreements from being used to conceal serious misconduct against former employees. (53454)
- 14N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make an assessment with the Secretary of State for Transport on the adequacy of access to postal services in rural areas where (a) post office branches have recently closed and (b) postal outreach services have recently ceased. (53674)
- 15N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what progress his Department has made in resolving Horizon Shortfall Scheme claims for sub-postmasters in North Shropshire constituency. (53675)
- 16N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to improve access to postal services in North Shropshire constituency. (53676)
- 17N **Tony Vaughan** (Folkestone and Hythe): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to help tackle illegal extremist content on the social media platform X. (53695)
- 18N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much of the budget allocated to the Adoption and Special Guardianship Support Fund was spent on therapy in each financial year; and how much overspend there was in each financial year.

 (53560)
- 19N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will publish any impact assessment carried out by her Department as part of its decision to reduce the amount of funding per application to the Adoption and Special Guardianship Support Fund. (53561)
- 20N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what consultation her Department carried out with (a) sector representatives and (b) people with lived experience in making its decision to cut the amount of therapy available per application via the Adoption and Special Guardianship Support Fund in the financial year 2025 2026.
- 21N **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what her Department's timetable is for bringing forward plans to reform SEND provision. (53641)

- 22N Harriet Cross (Gordon and Buchan): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, pursuant to the Answer of 20 May 2025 to Question 52787 on Offshore Industry:

 Carbon Emissions, how many offshore oil and gas projects are awaiting the resumption of environmental impact assessment evaluations. (53770)
- 23N **Ruth Jones** (Newport West and Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what plans he has to include tidal lagoons in the 2030-50 clean energy mix.

 (53627)
- 24N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he has conducted an impact assessment on the potential impact of US ethanol imports on the production of bioethanol within the UK. (53720)
- 25N **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to reduce (a) delays and (b) administrative burdens on zoos undertaking international animal transfers for conservation purposes.

 (53694)
- 26N **Robbie Moore** (Keighley and Ilkley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to prevent Natural England having a conflict of interest as (a) regulator and (b) service provider in the nutrient credit market. (53669)
- 27N **Anna Sabine** (Frome and East Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the (a) average and (b) longest waiting time was for a practical driving test in Wiltshire, by driving test centre in each of the last five years. (53767)
- 28N **Anna Sabine** (Frome and East Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the (a) average and (b) longest waiting time was for a practical driving test in Somerset in each of the last five years, by driving test centre (53768)
- 29N **Andy Slaughter** (Hammersmith and Chiswick): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many full-time equivalent (a) civil servants and (b) consultants were working on proposals for the expansion of Heathrow Airport on 20 May 2025; and what the cost to the public purse is for (a) the time spent by civil servants and (b) consultants who have been working on this since 29 January 2025. (53483)
- 30N **Robin Swann** (South Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 20 May 2025 to Question 52794 on Lisburn-Antrim Railway Line, what funding is available for the reopening of rail lines across the United Kingdom. (53771)
- 31N **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what consultation her Department has conducted with (a) users, (b) support workers and (c) deliverers of Access to Work before implementing changes to the operational delivery of Access to Work.

 (53548)

- 32N **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what (a) equality and (b) human rights impact assessments have been conducted on the proposed changes to the operational delivery of Access to Work. (53549)
- 33N Laurence Turner (Birmingham Northfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what proportion of Personal Independence Payment recipients are in work in (a) Birmingham Northfield constituency, (b) Birmingham local authority area and (c) the West Midlands.
- 34N **Dr Caroline Johnson** (Sleaford and North Hykeham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the impact assessment for the Medical Devices and Blood Safety and Quality (Fees Amendment) Regulations 2025, published on 25 February 2025, whether the calculations used to estimate MHRA future costs included an estimated amount to take into account the (a) rise in employer national insurance contributions and (b) lowering of the lower earnings limit for employers national contributions, as announced in the Autumn Budget 2024. (53604)
- 35N **Sojan Joseph** (Ashford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the potential impact of his Department's policies on the adequacy of the care available to people living with dementia; and if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of a (a) more coordinated and (b) long-term approach to foster improvements in (i) support, (ii) research, (iii) diagnosis and (iv) care. (53742)
- 36N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure that the full budget available to community pharmacies in 2025-26 is spent on the sector. (53679)
- 37N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to set out a timeline for negotiations with community pharmacies for the 2026-27 Contractual Framework. (53680)
- 38N **Tony Vaughan** (Folkestone and Hythe): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much the NHS spent on sending letters to patients in the 2023-24 financial year.

 (53697)
- 39N **Richard Burgon** (Leeds East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has made a determination under the Genocide Convention. (53578)
- 40N **Richard Burgon** (Leeds East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether it remains his policy that any determination as to whether Israel has committed genocide in Gaza is a matter for a competent national or international court. (53579)
- 41N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the press release entitled Joint statement from the leaders of the United Kingdom, France and Canada on the situation

in Gaza and the West Bank, published on 19 May 2025, and the Answer of 10 December 2024 to Question 16737 on Gaza: Israel, whether his Department's assessment of Israel's compliance with International Humanitarian Law included whether genocide had been committed. (53619)

- 42N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what his policy is on the provision of potential
 evidence possessed by the Government of (a) genocide, (b) war crimes, (c) crimes against
 humanity and (d) crimes of aggression to the International Criminal Court (i) where the
 evidence is relevant to an ongoing case before the ICC and (ii) in other circumstances. (53620)
- 43N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent steps he has taken to (a) prevent

 and (b) punish the crime of genocide.

 (53621)
- 44N **Sir Iain Duncan Smith** (Chingford and Woodford Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has made representations to his counterpart in Ukraine on religious freedom, in the context of the ban on the Ukrainian Orthodox Church under law 3894. (53455)
- 45N **Sir Iain Duncan Smith** (Chingford and Woodford Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of law 3894 on religious freedom in Ukraine. (53456)
- 46N **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the potential use of eGates set out in
 the UK-EU Common Understanding will include an exemption from the upcoming EU Entry
 Exit system requirements for fingerprinting. (53673)
- 47N **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South and Mid Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what his Department's definition of genocide is.
 (53648)
- 48N **Sir Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what her policy is on the (a) removal and (b) retention of police widows pensions when those in receipt of such pensions (i) cohabit and (ii) remarry. (53453)
- 49N **Layla Moran** (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether British National Overseas visa holders will be impacted by her Department's proposed changes to Indefinite Leave to Remain. (53622)
- 50N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the policy paper entitled Security and defence partnership between the European Union and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, published on 19 May 2025, how the security and defence partnership will make the United Kingdom more secure. (53595)

- 51N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the policy paper entitled Security and defence partnership between the European Union and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, published on 19 May 2025, what discussions he has had with his EU counterparts on UK access to the Security Action for Europe fund.
- 52N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the policy paper entitled Security and defence partnership between the European Union and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, published on 19 May 2025, whether this will cause any delay to the publication of the Strategic Defence Review. (53597)
- 53N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the policy paper entitled Security and defence partnership between the European Union and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, published on 19 May 2025, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of this on the recommendations in the Strategic Defence Review. (53598)
- 54N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the policy paper entitled Security and defence partnership between the European Union and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, published on 19 May 2025, whether the content of the policy paper was discussed with the lead members of the Strategic Defence Review team prior to its publication. (53599)
- 55N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many
 (a) Category A, (b) Category B, (c) Category C and (d) Category D prison spaces her
 Department plans to build by 2031 as part of the Prison Capacity Strategy. (53712)
- 56N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many prison spaces were available across all Category C specialist sex offender prisons as of 30 April 2025. (53713)
- 57N **Rebecca Paul** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, on what date the transfer of Joanna Rowland-Stuart to HMP Downview was authorised by her Department; and what the authorisation process was. (53769)
- 58N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 14 May 2025 to Question 46823 on Electronic Tagging:

 Standards, what reason was given for the 10,438 untagged cases audited by probation between January and March 2025.

 (53631)
- 59N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether her planned expansion of tagging capabilities will be managed under the current tagging contract. (53632)

- 60N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 25 April 2025 to Question 46820 on Electronic Tagging:

 Standards, what assessment has she made of the adequacy of the capacity of Serco to deliver on its contract. (53633)
- 61N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what due diligence was undertaken before reappointing Serco and G4S for electronic monitoring services. (53634)
- 62N **Dame Harriett Baldwin** (West Worcestershire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate she has made of the number of people who claimed the remittance basis and will use the temporary repatriation facility in the last year. (53495)
- 63N **Dame Harriett Baldwin** (West Worcestershire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many people claimed the remittance basis in each of the last five tax years. (53496)
- 64N **Dame Harriett Baldwin** (West Worcestershire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate she has made of the number of international investors in the UK. (53497)
- 65N **Tony Vaughan** (Folkestone and Hythe): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of increasing the level of taxation on online gambling. (53696)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 3 June

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to ensure local authorities have (a) clear guidance and (b) funding to meet the March 2026 deadline for collecting (i) food, (ii) drink, (iii) liquid cartons and (iv) other core recyclable materials under Simpler Recycling reforms.
- 2N **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether a UK-based beverage manufacturer can accept returns of all recyclable product packaging to offset their Extended Producer Responsibility levy. (53757)
- 3N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what his policy is on the use of police vehicles as places of safety for people with mental heath conditions, in the context of police and prison cells no longer being used to place people experiencing a mental health crisis. (53526)

- 4N **Layla Moran** (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential
 impact of planned reductions in spending on official development assistance on funding
 for Voluntary Service Overseas. (53623)
- 5N **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South and Walkden): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to support the initiative of the UN Secretary General to create a humanitarian aid corridor from Bangladesh into Rakhine State, Myanmar. (53487)
- 6N **Darren Paffey** (Southampton Itchen): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department plans to (a) review and (b) remove the upper age limit for entry into flying and other officer roles in the armed forces. (53761)
- 7N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she plans to take to help prevent leaseholders facing high fees for leasehold renewals. (53527)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 4 June

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Alison Griffiths** (Bognor Regis and Littlehampton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many titles on the Land Register are owned by overseas individuals or entities; and what the combined purchase price of such titles was in each of the last five years. (53732)
- 2N **Alison Griffiths** (Bognor Regis and Littlehampton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many titles on the Land Register were purchased by overseas people or entities in each month in the last five years; and what their total purchase price value was. (53733)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 10 June

Questions for Written Answer

1N Darren Paffey (Southampton Itchen): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the adequacy
of current fee levels under the Licensing Act 2003; and whether she plans to review that
Act to ensure that licensing fees reflect the actual costs incurred by local authorities in
processing and enforcing those licences. (53762)