

#### **PUBLISHED - THURSDAY 22 MAY 2025**

# Questions tabled on Wednesday 21 May 2025

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# Questions for Answer on Thursday 22 May

#### **Questions for Written Answer**

- Preet Kaur Gill (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what estimates he has made of the number of Sikh people in the UK in each of the past five years.

  [Transferred] (53607)
- Preet Kaur Gill (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what estimate he has made of the number of Jewish people in the UK in each of the past five years.
  [Transferred] (53608)
- James McMurdock (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the Zero Emission Vehicle Mandate on employment levels in the UK automotive manufacturing sector.

  [Transferred] (53805)
- 4 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, 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.

  [Transferred] (53531)
- Juliet Campbell (Broxtowe): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to support disabled households with additional energy costs from (a) medical equipment and (b) home adaptions. [Transferred] (53688)
- Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what estimate she has made of the number of pensioners living in households in fuel poverty in Aldridge-Brownhills constituency. [Transferred] (53523)

7 **Melanie Onn** (Great Grimsby and Cleethorpes): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, 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.

[Transferred] (53559)

- Adrian Ramsay (Waveney Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment,
  Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his 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.

  [Transferred] (53773)
- 9 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether (a) she and (b) officials in her Department had discussions with LNER on the (i) commissioning and (ii) publication of the report entitled "Impact of Open Access Operations on LNER at stations with direct LNER services", published on 10th April 2025. (53824)
- 10 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential
  implications for his policies of the 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. [Transferred] (53744)
- 11N **Andy Slaughter** (Hammersmith and Chiswick): To ask the Secretary of State, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 15 May 2025 to Question 51141 on Western Sahara: Self-determination of States, if he will support a referendum on self-determination for the people of Western Sahara. (53825)
- 12 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how the Infrastructure Strategy will support infrastructure enhancements in Lincolnshire. [Transferred] (53472)
- James McMurdock (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps she is taking to improve access to financial advice for people with little to no savings.

  [Transferred] (53811)
- 14N **Sir Andrew Mitchell** (Sutton Coldfield): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make it her policy to circulate to all Ministers holding economic portfolios the article published in The Times entitled Want to help the poor? Don't chase out the rich, published on 16 May 2025.

  [Transferred] (53008)
- Matt Vickers (Stockton West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate she has made of the number of farmers who will be impacted by changes to Agriculture Property Relief and Business Property Relief.

  [Transferred] (53658)

# Questions for Answer on Monday 2 June

#### **Questions for Written Answer**

- 1N **Dame Harriett Baldwin** (West Worcestershire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what the cost to the public purse was of administering cheque payments across government in 2024-25 financial year. (53837)
- 2 Liam Conlon (Beckenham and Penge): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what recent progress he has made on establishing an infected blood compensation scheme.
  (54127)
- 3 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many instances there have been of foreign-owned companies using shell companies to bypass the National Security and Investment Act 2021 since 5 July 2024. (54012)
- 4 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, further to the Answer of 20 May 2025 to Question 51956 on 10 Downing Street: Energy Performance Certificates, (a) what steps have been taken to date and (b) what steps are planned for the future. (54015)
- 5N **Ruth Jones** (Newport West and Islwyn): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps he is taking to ensure that any future UK-EU sanitary and phytosanitary (SPS) veterinary agreement supports the vital role of (a) zoos and (b) aquariums in international conservation breeding programmes. (53986)
- 6N **Ruth Jones** (Newport West and Islwyn): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what recent discussions he has had with (a) zoos and (b) aquariums on the inclusion of conservation animal transfers in a future UK-EU veterinary agreement. (53987)
- Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what estimate he has made of the number of SMEs that were awarded public sector contracts in (a) the West Midlands and (b) Aldridge-Brownhills constituency in each of the last five years.

  (53869)
- 8 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will publish a list of which historic medal claims are currently under review by the Independent Advisory Military Sub-Committee (AMSC). (54097)
- 9 **Shivani Raja** (Leicester East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the terms (a) Bed Space Size and (b) Bed space in public sector accommodation contracts refer to the number of individuals a room or property is intended to accommodate. (54068)
- Sir Julian Smith (Skipton and Ripon): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he has had recent discussions with relevant stakeholders on the introduction into Government procurement contracts of mandatory mediation in case of dispute. [R] (53838)

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- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will publish the Cabinet Office Freedom of Information Act response with reference FOI2025/05760 of 14 May 2025. (53886)
- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 19 May 2025 to Question 51150 on Freedom of Information and Written Questions: Costs, what the notional hourly cost of civil service time when assessing a written parliamentary question further to the £850 threshold under paragraph 218 of the Guide to Parliamentary Work is.
- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 19 May 2025 to Question 52335 on Civil Service: Equality, whether the Civil Service Inclusive Practice Team are responsible for Equality, Diversity and Inclusion in the Civil Service; and if he will list their functions and responsibilities. (53888)
- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 19 May 2025 to Question 51161 on Cabinet Office:

  Expenditure, what public service campaigns the Unlimited Group has supported since 4
  July 2024. (53889)
- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether his Department has provided guidance to civil servants who are not members of the Government Communication Service on (a) speaking to the media and (b) publicly speaking at events where media may be present. (53890)
- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what his policy is on (a) permanent civil servants and (b) special advisers who choose to resign and work for a public affairs company or in-house lobbyists; and whether his Department has a policy on moving such staff onto gardening leave during the period of notice.
- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the EU-UK Common Understanding, published on 19 May 2025, whether the dynamic alignment with the EU will apply to standards and regulations on the production and marketing of (a) wine and (b) other types of alcohol. (53893)
- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether procurement guidance has been issued by (a) his Department and (b) the Crown Commercial Service to public bodies on equality, diversity and inclusion requirements for private sector companies which wish to bid for public sector contracts.

  (53894)
- 19 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, which central government residential properties are unoccupied, according to data held by the InSite database. (53895)

- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many (a) bedrooms, (b) living rooms, (c) bathrooms and (d) kitchens the ministerial residence in 1 Carlton Gardens has. (53896)
- 21 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many (a) junior and (b) senior civil servants are working in the European Union Relations Secretariat. (53897)
- 22 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, when he plans to update the transparency data entitled Cabinet Office senior officials high earners salaries. (53898)
- 23 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what the average salary is of civil servants at each grade in his Department. (53899)
- 24 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 13 May 2025 to Question 49956, and the Answer of 16 January 2025 to Question 21390, both on Armed Forces: Equality, what his Department's policy is on spending on equality, diversity and inclusion across the public sector. (53900)
- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, through what mechanism the UK Statistics Authority will communicate its response once it has considered the (a) findings and (b) recommendations in the Sullivan Review.

  (53901)
- David Burton-Sampson (Southend West and Leigh): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, when the tariff free period on Ukrainian (a) poultry and (b) eggs imports will end; and whether he plans to extend that agreement. [R] (54110)
- 27 Jonathan Davies (Mid Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of extending business rates relief for small businesses.
  (54222)
- 28 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the accessibility of financial support available for sole traders. (53954)
- 29 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent steps he has taken to support (a) innovation and (b) invention among (i) SMEs and (ii) sole traders. (53955)
- 30 **Sarah Green** (Chesham and Amersham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment has been made of the potential merits of adding the removals sector to a minister's responsibility in his Department. (54047)

- 31 **Tom Hayes** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he has had discussions with the Secretary of State for the Home Department on visa applications for students attending English as a Foreign Language (EFL) schools. (54216)
- Damian Hinds (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many apprenticeship starts there were in the hair and beauty sector in (a) 2023-4 and (b) 2024-5; and what estimate he has made of the number of apprenticeship starts expected in the hair and beauty sector in 2025-6. (53833)
- Mr Richard Holden (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 1 May 2025 to Question 47348 on Conditions of Employment, what comparative estimate he has made of the workload of the (a) Fair Work Agency and (b) existing bodies being merged into Fair Work Agency. (54006)
- 34N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Epping Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether the UK-EU trade deal will require the repeal of the Genetic Technology (Precision Breeding) Act 2023. (54035)
- 35 **Satvir Kaur** (Southampton Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether (a) marine and maritime and (b) tourism and creative industries will be included in the Industrial Strategy. (54186)
- 36N **Llinos Medi** (Ynys Môn): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make an estimate of the potential impact of planned changes to business property relief on levels of investment made by affected family businesses in (a) Wales and (b) the UK in each of the next three years. (54090)
- 37 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps is he taking to support start-up companies in (a) the West Midlands and (b) Aldridge-Brownhills constituency. (53870)
- 38 **Sir Julian Smith** (Skipton and Ripon): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what discussions he has had with the Small Business Commissioner on the (a) awareness and (b) use of mediation in the small business sector. [R] (53839)
- 39 **Sir Julian Smith** (Skipton and Ripon): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of class actions on (a) businesses and (b) consumers. [R] (53840)
- 40 **Sir Julian Smith** (Skipton and Ripon): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what discussions he has had with (a) the Competition and Market Authority and (b) other sectoral regulators on the use of mediation to resolve regulatory disputes. [R] (53841)
- 41 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent assessment he has made of the potential impact of inflation on small and medium businesses in (a) Fylde constituency and (b) Lancashire. (54076)

- 42 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to help reduce employment costs for the automotive industry. (54106)
- 43 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to support British filmmaking businesses, in the context of the announcement of 100% tariffs on films produced in the UK by the US President on 5 May 2025. (54107)
- 44 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to support the beer and pub sector. (54108)
- 45 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make it his policy to include the beer and pub sector in his Department's forthcoming industrial strategy. (54109)
- 46 **Sammy Wilson** (East Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will consult stakeholders on the potential impact of the removal of anti-dumping and countervailing measures on non-folding e-bikes imported from China on UK cycle manufacturers. (53828)
- 47 Victoria Collins (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to help support (a) small and (b) independent artists in securing adequate levels of payments from music streaming services.
  (54164)
- 48 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what her planned timetable is for future public appointment competitions for the Charity Commission when existing terms expire. (54004)
- 49 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, pursuant to the Answer of 12 May 2025 to Question 49772 on Chinese Embassy: Planning Permission, if she will publish the (a) State of Conservation Report and (b) Historic England advice. (53915)
- 50 **Carla Lockhart** (Upper Bann): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what funding her Department is providing to (a) churches and (b) faith-based charities in the context of trends in the level of (i) energy costs and (ii) donations. (54037)
- 51N **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to improve water safety in coastal areas. (54072)
- 52 **Sadik Al-Hassan** (North Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she plans to review the level of guaranteed support available to children with special educational needs in mainstream schools. (54144)

- 53N **Alison Bennett** (Mid Sussex): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she is considering (a) restricting the number of children who can obtain Education, Health and Care Plans (EHCPs) and (b) replacing the EHCP system. (54205)
- Matt Bishop (Forest of Dean): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to monitor the administration of CPR training in schools. (54209)
- Ian Byrne (Liverpool West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of removing spelling and grammar software from Disabled Students' Allowance funding on disabled students' future employment prospects. (54019)
- Ian Byrne (Liverpool West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of removing spelling and grammar software from Disabled Students' Allowance funding on student retention rates at universities.

  (54020)
- 57 **Liam Conlon** (Beckenham and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to use technology to improve school standards. (54130)
- 58 **Liam Conlon** (Beckenham and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to improve mental health support in schools in (a) Beckenham and Penge constituency and (b) other areas. (54131)
- 59 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she plans to take steps to close the pay gap between (a) school teachers and (b) college teachers to achieve equity within the higher education sector. (54065)
- 60N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she conducted an economic impact assessment on changes to the Adoption and Special Guardianship Support Fund. (53957)
- 61 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of financial support available for therapy for adoptive children. (53958)
- 62 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate she has made of the number of vacancies for educational psychologists. (53959)
- 63N **Mary Glindon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what plans her Department has to review the (a) process for agreeing and (b) number of Education, Health and Care Plans issued for children with SEND. (53852)
- 64N **Mary Glindon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made a recent assessment of the merits of Education, Health and Care Plans on (a) academic attainment and (b) mental health in mainstream schools.

(53853)

- 65N **Mary Glindon** (Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made a recent assessment of the potential impact of the provision of education, health and care plans to children in mainstream schools on the number of applications made to specialist schools. (53854)
- Damian Hinds (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether the School workforce in England figures, published in June 2024 will be the baseline against which she will measure progress towards recruiting 6,500 new expert teachers in key subjects.

  (53834)
- Damian Hinds (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how the recruitment of 6,500 new expert teachers in key subjects will be split across (a) mainstream schools (b) special schools and (c) other educational settings. (53835)
- 68N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 20th May 2025 Question 51559 on Special Educational Needs:
  Cambridgeshire and with reference to the Permanent data table entitled Initial requests, assessments, discontinued plans, 20 week timeliness, mainstream to special transfers, mediation and tribunals, published on 13 May 2025, if she will publish the data for the number of (a) initial requests for an EHC plan, (b) initial requests for assessment decision to assess and (c) children and young people assessed for whom an EHC plan was issued in (i) 2024 and (ii) 2025 to date.
- 69 **Sir Julian Smith** (Skipton and Ripon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what discussions she has had with relevant stakeholders on reform of the parental complaints process to include mandatory mediation.

  [R] (53850)
- 70N **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing free swimming lessons for young people in coastal areas. (54071)
- 71N **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of inflation on school budgets in Fylde constituency. (54081)
- 72 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the adequacy of the condition of school buildings in Fylde constituency. (54082)
- 73 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what support is available to local authorities to expand family hubs in areas with limited public transport access. (54083)
- 74 **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what discussions she has had with representatives of the Council for Disabled Children on the potential impact of SEND reforms on (a) special needs children and (b) EHCP allocation. (54147)

- **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the oral contribution by the Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasury of 3 March 2025, Official Report, column 40WH, on what evidential basis he estimated that 100 additional private schools would close over three years. (54100)
- **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the national flood risk assessment data, published on 25 March 2025, whether she has written to schools with buildings in flood zones (a) two and (b) three. (54101)
- **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the national flood risk assessment data, published on 25 March 2025, whether her Department plans to improve the flood defences of schools in flood zones (a) two and (b) three. (54102)
- **Fred Thomas** (Plymouth Moor View): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of a levels of Educational Psychologists on EHCP (a) assessment and (b) review waiting times. (54138)
- **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of fully funding apprenticeships for under-22s in SMEs on apprenticeship starts. (54023)
- **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to ensure employers are aware of the National Insurance relief when hiring apprentices under 25. (54024)
- Matt Vickers (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what discussions she has had with small businesses on their needs from the apprenticeship system.

  (54025)
- **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she plans to take to encourage a greater emphasis on developing skills for work in (a) schools and (b) colleges. (54026)
- Bavid Chadwick (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what discussions he has had with the Welsh Government on placing cables underground for national energy infrastructure associated with energy parks in areas (a) of high outstanding natural beauty and (b) designated as Sites of Special Scientific Interest.
- David Chadwick (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of placing cables for national energy infrastructure associated with energy parks underground.

  (54212)

- **David Chadwick** (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of energy parks on communities. (54213)
- Liam Conlon (Beckenham and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of extending the Warm Homes Discount to households in receipt of means-tested benefits on people receiving those benefits.

  (54129)
- **Satvir Kaur** (Southampton Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment his department has made of the potential merits of (a) promoting and (b) mandating the installation of solar panels on new large industrial developments.

  (54161)
- **Satvir Kaur** (Southampton Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of installing solar panels in the unused space between train tracks. (54162)
- **Layla Moran** (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what the scale of the revenue certainty mechanism will be; and how market pricing will be achieved. (53966)
- **Layla Moran** (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that new green businesses receive required utility connections in a timely manner. (53967)
- **Layla Moran** (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he is taking steps with the Secretary of State for Transport to ensure green energy projects have access to CO2 storage. (53968)
- **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he has considered sourcing energy from the Falkland Islands. (53871)
- 93N **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how much funding his Department has allocated to support Sizewell C nuclear plant in advance of the final investment decision for that plant. (54121)
- 94N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an estimate of the number of radio teleswitch service meters in use in (a) Wales, (b) Gwynedd and (c) Dwyfor Meirionnydd constituency in the latest period for which data is available. (53947)
- **Alex Sobel** (Leeds Central and Headingley): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, when the next set of Greening Government Commitments will be published for the years 2025-2030. (53982)

- 96 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent estimate he has made of the potential impact of making the power grid net zero by 2030 on energy bills. (54103)
- 97 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent assessment he has made of the potential impact of making the power grid net zero by 2030 on jobs. (54104)
- 98 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps he is taking to ensure the resilience of the electricity grid, in the context of fluctuating levels of power within the grid. (54105)
- 99 **Sadik Al-Hassan** (North Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how the £360 million Fishing and Coastal Fund will be allocated. (54200)
- Stuart Anderson (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he has taken to improve the condition of Sites of Specific Scientific Interest.
- 101N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate his Department has made of the number of red squirrels in each year between 2022 and 2025. (53820)
- 102 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether the proposed UK-EU Sanitary and Phytosanitary Agreement will include (a) zoo animals that are part of conservation breeding programmes, (b) plants intended for conservation purposes and (c) biological samples used in (i) conservation and (ii) research.
- 103 **Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to increase the level of funding for local authorities to ensure the maintenance of public rights of way. (54149)
- 104 **Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department plans to carry out a comparative assessment of the potential impact of (a) disposable, (b) reusable and (c) other environmentally-friendly period products on the environment. (53971)
- 105N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Epping Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the UK-EU trade deal on the sustainability of the fisheries sector. [Transferred] (53663)
- 106N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Epping Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether increasing fishing quotas for UK fisheries was discussed during negotiations on the UK-EU trade deal. [Transferred] (53664)

- 107N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Epping Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department had discussions with the UK fisheries sector on negotiations with the EU for the UK-EU trade deal. [Transferred] (53665)
- 108N **Dr Neil Hudson** (Epping Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether the UK-EU trade deal will allow the roll-out of gene editing in (a) plants, (b) crops, (c) animals and (d) birds.

  [Transferred] (53666)
- 109 **Terry Jermy** (South West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to support councils who pay the Internal Drainage Board levy. (54167)
- Terry Jermy (South West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to mitigate the costs to (a) local councils and (b) landowners of internal drainage boards; and what steps he is taking to ensure that (i) South West Norfolk and (ii) Norfolk are protected from flooding. (54168)
- Terry Jermy (South West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to secure additional funding for Internal Drainage Boards in (a) England, (b) Norfolk and (c) South West Norfolk constituency. (54169)
- 112N **Ruth Jones** (Newport West and Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the impact of (a) health certification requirements, (b) other veterinary and (c) customs requirements on crossborder movement of endangered species between the UK and the EU. (53988)
- 113N **Llinos Medi** (Ynys Môn): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how much of the fishing and coastal growth fund will be allocated to Wales. (54089)
- 114N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department has updated its contingency plans following foot and mouth disease outbreaks in mainland Europe in 2025. (54049)
- Joe Robertson (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when he plans to review extended producer responsibility fees. (54145)
- 116 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to support (a) flood resilience and (b) coastal erosion defences along the Fylde coast. (54087)
- 117 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent funding he has provided to local authorities in Fylde constituency to help tackle (a) water pollution and (b) storm overflows into the Ribble Estuary. (54088)

- Alex Sobel (Leeds Central and Headingley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to page 326 his Department's Annual Report and Accounts 2023-24, HC 314, published on 18 December 2024, what recent progress has been made on (a) creating a natural asset register presented within an accessible geospatial mapping format and (b) other aspects of the cross-government nature strategy; when he plans to publish these maps; whether these maps will be available on the Multi-Agency Geographic Information for the Countryside website; and how the cross-government nature strategy relates to the forthcoming land use framework. (53981)
- 119 **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 21 May 2025 to Question 52818 on Slaughterhouses: Closures, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of access to slaughter facilities for livestock producers in Farnham and Bordon constituency. (54215)
- 120 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what his Department's policy is on genetic editing to prevent diseases in (a) plants and (b) livestock. (54022)
- 121 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to introduce legally binding biodiversity targets beyond those in the Environment Act 2021. (54111)
- 122 Martin Wrigley (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 4 March 2025 to Question 33098 on Agriculture: Climate Change, what recent discussions he has had with the (a) Joint Nature Conservation Committee, (b) Committee on Climate Change and (c) Special representative for Nature on improving collaboration.
- Martin Wrigley (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to his Interim statement on the Environmental Improvement Plan (EIP) rapid review, published on 30 January 2025, what steps he is taking to improve (a) environmental data and (b) indicators of change in the natural environment. (54113)
- Martin Wrigley (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to provide additional funding to (a) climate and (b) nature recovery programmes. (54114)
- 125 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to support (a) manufacturing and (b) heavy industry with climate-transition policies. (54115)
- 126 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to balance (a) public and (b) private sector responsibilities in achieving net-zero targets. (54116)

- 127 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what is the timeline for local authorities to incorporate biodiversity targets into their local plans. (54117)
- Martin Wrigley (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 7 April 2025 to Question 36242 on Animals: Import Controls, if he will engage with Shaldon Zoo on changes following the UK-EU deal. (54119)
- Irene Campbell (North Ayrshire and Arran): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
  Innovation and Technology, whether he has made an assessment of the merits of
  establishing a dedicated body, similar to the European Centre for the Validation of
  Alternative Methods (ECVAM), to (a) oversee and (b) accelerate the (i) validation and (ii)
  acceptance of non-animal methods for (A) regulatory and (B) scientific use.

  [R] (54132)
- 130 Irene Campbell (North Ayrshire and Arran): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
  Innovation and Technology, on what date was the last review of guidance to companies
  on the use of non-animal methods to meet specific data requirements across all sectors;
  and whether he plans to update that guidance.

  [R] (54133)
- Irene Campbell (North Ayrshire and Arran): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
  Innovation and Technology, what information his Department holds on trends in the
  number of animal tests that are taking place for regulatory purposes where a suitable
  non-animal alternative is already available; and if he will make an assessment of the
  reasons for those trends.

  [R] (54134)
- 132N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, how many people enrolled under the student recruitment system in the UK Space Agency's Space Placements In Industry Programme in 2024. (53821)
- 133 **Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if he will make an estimate of the number and proportion of (a) children and (b) adults who access the internet through a virtual private network. (53977)
- Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, pursuant to the Answer of 12 May 2025 to Question 49740 Innovation:

  Aldridge-Brownhills, how much Innovation Accelerator pilot grant funding has been allocated to businesses in Aldridge-Brownhills constituency. (53867)
- 135N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of reviewing the 48-hour broadband outage window in the Automatic Compensation Scheme.
- 136 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions he has had with the Northern Ireland Assembly on supporting innovation in cyber security expansion. (53859)

- **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the accessibility of government services for elderly people. (53860)
- **Sir Julian Smith** (Skipton and Ripon): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of requiring an independent alternative dispute resolution process for the resolution of disputes in relation to online safety between users and platforms.

  [R] (53851)
- 139N **Tony Vaughan** (Folkestone and Hythe): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
  Innovation and Technology, what steps he is taking to help tackle illegal extremist content
  on the social media platform X.

  [Transferred] (53695)
- **Markus Campbell-Savours** (Penrith and Solway): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of introducing free bus passes for people aged 60 and over on (a) social inclusion, (b) the economy and (c) the environment. (54124)
- **Chris Coghlan** (Dorking and Horley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate she has made of the potential impact of airspace modernisation on the number of people experiencing noise above (a) the lowest observed adverse effect level and (b) the significant adverse observed effect level. (54206)
- **Chris Coghlan** (Dorking and Horley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will create standardised national aviation noise metrics for use in planning processes. (54214)
- Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 22 April 2025 to Question 44558 on Luton Airport, whether her Department sought legal advice on the compatibility of its decision to expand Luton Airport with commitments under the 2015 Paris Agreement. (53999)
- Mr Richard Holden (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 20 May 2025 to Question 51962 on Abellio Greater Anglia and c2c: Standards, what her planned timeline is for the improvements to Cambridge South Station; when the Transport and Works Act Order for the project was issued; when did construction begin; and when it is expected to be completed. (54014)
- **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of (a) collating and (b) publishing how much Vehicle Excise Duty is collected by local authority area. (53911)
- **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of joining up Heathrow Airport's railway lines with the South West Rail network to facilitate Heathrow expansion. (53919)

- 147 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to upgrade rail transport provision to Gatwick Airport to facilitate the airport expansion. (53922)
- 148N **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 12 May 2025 to Question 49854 on Electric Vehicles: Charging Points, how much of the funding allocated for charging infrastructure in the Autumn Budget 2024 has been spent; and how that money has been spent. (54187)
- 149 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much LNER paid for the report commissioned from Jacobs consultancy entitled Impact of Open Access Operations on LNER at stations with direct LNER services, published on 10 April 2025.
- 150 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of inflation on the cost of maintaining local roads and highways in Fylde constituency. (54084)
- 151 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much funding has been allocated to road (a) maintenance and (b) investment in (i) Fylde constituency and (ii) Lancashire in 2025–26. (54085)
- 152 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to provide funding for active travel in (a) Fylde constituency and (b) Lancashire.

  (54086)
- 153 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to her Department's publication Network North transforming British transport published in October 2023, when she plans to release this funding. (54021)
- Olivia Blake (Sheffield Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department is taking steps to (a) provide guidance to, (b) help seek redress for and (c) otherwise help support people affected by HSBC historically deducting a portion of its workers' occupational pensions when they reached State Pension age. (54040)
- 155N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what discussions she has had with employers organisations on the viability of multi-employer Collective Defined Contribution pension schemes. (53822)
- 156 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what information her Department holds on the number of (a) food banks there are, (b) donations made to food banks and (c) people who used foodbanks in (i) Slough and (b) the South East in 2024. (53960)
- Neil Duncan-Jordan (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the effectiveness of employment support programmes in getting long-term unemployed disabled people back into work. (54182)

- 158 **Chris Law** (Dundee Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether it is her Department's policy that existing PIP claimants of pension age who are subject to a planned award review from November 2026 will be required to score at least four points in one daily living activity in order to maintain their award. (53902)
- 159 **Chris Law** (Dundee Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether it is her Department's policy that existing PIP claimants of pension age who request a change of circumstances review from November 2026 are required to score at least four points in one daily living activity in order to (a) maintain and (b) increase their award. (53903)
- 160 **Graham Leadbitter** (Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the effectiveness of (a) the Disability Confident Employer Scheme and (b) Access to Work. (54153)
- 161 **Graham Leadbitter** (Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to ensure that employers who are part of the Disability Confident Employer Scheme are (a) meeting the commitments they have made and (b) undertaking the actions they agreed to when they signed up to that scheme. (54154)
- 162 **Graham Leadbitter** (Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to ensure that employers in the Disability Confident Employer Scheme are (a) making reasonable adjustments and (b) adhering to the Equality Act 2010. (54155)
- 163 **Graham Leadbitter** (Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether she has made an estimate of the number organisations not complying with (a) the Equality Act 2010, (b) the Disability Confident Scheme and (c) Access to Work.
- 164 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential (a) economic and (b) social impact of enabling Universal Credit recipients to share their benefit data with consent with regulated third parties. (54053)
- James Naish (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to support the Government's Open Data Agenda; and whether she plans to expand secure access to selected datasets for the purposes of reducing financial exclusion. (54054)
- James Naish (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of enabling data sharing between her Department's systems. (54055)
- James Naish (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of enabling people to verify their (a) income and (b) identity online through secure access to their benefit data. (54056)

- **Connor Naismith** (Crewe and Nantwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will take steps to ensure that full-time carers are paid the national minimum wage.

  (54140)
- Jo Platt (Leigh and Atherton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions,
   whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of including directors'
   dividends in the initial calculation of child maintenance payments. (53984)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether she has had recent discussions with (a) Capita and (b) other relevant organisations on ensuring that Personal Independence Payment assessors have specialist knowledge in (i) multiple sclerosis, (ii) Crohn's and (iii) other non-visible disabilities. (53855)
- Munira Wilson (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of proposals in the Pathways to Work:

  Reforming Benefits and Support to Get Britain Working Green Paper on young people. (54001)
- **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to help improve the recruitment and retention of care home staff.

  (54118)
- **Alex Ballinger** (Halesowen): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the UK's capacity to attract investment in dementia clinical trials, in the context of the availability of disease-modifying treatments in other countries that have not yet been approved for use by the NHS. (54158)
- **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of the availability of epilepsy drugs. (53929)
- **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of barriers to regular access to prescribed medication on people with epilepsy. (53930)
- **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to provide long-term support for people living with epilepsy. (53931)
- **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made an assessment of the adequacy of response times to enquiries from hon. Members from Integrated Care Boards. (54000)
- **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of adult social care provision in Slough. (53949)

- 179 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is planning to take to protect responsibilities for musculoskeletal conditions that currently sit within NHS England. (54223)
- Neil Duncan-Jordan (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is planning to take to improve the delivery of joined-up care for people affected by (a) axial spondyloarthritis and (b) other musculoskeletal health conditions following the abolition of NHS England.
- Neil Duncan-Jordan (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help support people with axial spondyloarthritis to (a) remain in employment or (b) return to the workforce.
- 182 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing medical exemptions to access NHS care for dental injuries caused as a result of epileptic seizures. (54203)
- 183 **Sarah Green** (Chesham and Amersham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he has taken to engage with independent pharmacies to establish the basis for a fair and equitable contract to be offered to community pharmacy. (54048)
- 184N **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 19 May 2025 to Question 52225, whether there is a (a) budget cap, (b) indicative range and (c) best estimate of the money allocated in this financial year's capital budget for the purchase of land near Junction 7 of the M3. (53831)
- 185N **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to his Answer of 19 May 2025 to Question 52225 on Hospitals: Basingstoke, what is the timescale for the short form business case for the purchase of land near Junction 7 of the M3.
- 186 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to support dementia-friendly adaptations in pubs and hospitality venues. (54013)
- 187 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will support the aims of Age Without Limits Day. (54135)
- 188 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department is taking steps to help tackle ageism in healthcare services.

  (54136)
- 189 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether the Life Sciences Sector Plan will include medical technology. (54192)

- 190 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to plan the (a) resources and (b) workforce capacity required for new (i) medical technologies and (ii) medicines. (54193)
- 191 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency is taking to increase access to innovative treatments. (54194)
- 192 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency plans to adapt its regulatory framework for innovative medicines. (54195)
- 193 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency is taking to ensure that commercial clinical trials take place in the UK. (54196)
- 194 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps the MHRA is taking to improve (a) transparency and (b) predictability for companies seeking UK Market Authorisations. (54197)
- 195 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps NICE is taking to ensure that its methods continue to evolve in line with advancing technologies. (54198)
- 196 Clive Jones (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to increase the proportion of NICE recommendations that are optimised.
  (54199)
- 197 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to increase public awareness of chronic migraine disease. (54183)
- 198 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to increase access to treatment for people with chronic migraine disease. (54184)
- 199 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to increase research into (a) the causes of and (b) treatment options for chronic migraine disease. (54185)
- 200 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 communication around delays in appointment wait times for people seeking access to mental health support services.
  (54189)

- 201 James McMurdock (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of trends in the level of average wait times for people being referred for appointments for mental health support.
  (54190)
- 202 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of the quality of mental health services in (a) England and (b) Essex. (54191)
- 203 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the oral contribution of the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Health and Social Care in response to the Rt hon. Member for Tatton at Health Questions on 6 May 2025, when the relevant Minister will meet with the Rt hon. Member for Tatton. (53836)
- 204 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the availability of Produodopa treatment for people with Parkinson's in (a) Stockport and (b) Greater Manchester. (54002)
- 205 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will review the medical exemption list for free prescriptions. (54003)
- 206 **Sir Julian Smith** (Skipton and Ripon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of increasing the use of the current mediation scheme for medical negligence disputes. [R] (53843)
- 207N **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help support care homes to (a) address workforce shortages and (b) provide high-quality care for elderly people in Fylde constituency. (54075)
- 208N **Alistair Strathern** (Hitchin): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference the Answer of 12 May 2025 to Question 50325, what his planned timeline is for publishing the update to the Patient Safety Commissioner's report. (54050)
- 209N**Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help support UK-based research into new forms of treatment for dementia. (54178)
- 210N **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to return the dementia diagnosis rate to its target level.

  (54179)
- 211N Freddie van Mierlo (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of using (a) PET scans, (b) cerebrospinal fluid testing and (c) other bio-marker led tests to confirm Alzheimer's disease.
  (54180)

- 212N **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to increase the proportion of Alzheimer's disease specialists compared to other G7 countries. (54181)
- 213 **Max Wilkinson** (Cheltenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans he has to ensure healthcare practitioners prescribe exercise when weight loss jabs are prescribed as part of anti-obesity treatment. (54057)
- 214 **Max Wilkinson** (Cheltenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of the prescription of weight loss drugs on the NHS without associated prescriptions of exercise and physical activity on muscle mass. (54058)
- 215 **Dr Scott Arthur** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with UK regional
  allies on alternative aid routes into Gaza. (54171)
- 216 **Dr Scott Arthur** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with NGOs on
  alternative aid routes into Gaza. (54172)
- 217 **Dr Scott Arthur** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to improve the
  humanitarian situation in Gaza. (54173)
- 218 **Dr Scott Arthur** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what economic pressure he is considering to
  encourage Israel to allow aid into Gaza. (54174)
- 219 **Dr Scott Arthur** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what diplomatic steps he is taking to help
  restrict the expansion of illegal settlements in the occupied West Bank. (54175)
- 220 Dr Scott Arthur (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with international partners on the Israeli government's proposals to permanently (a) occupy Gaza and (b) displace its population. (54176)
- 221 **Dr Scott Arthur** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether RAF surveillance flights over Gaza have
  uncovered evidence of breaches of international law. (54177)
- 222N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of the report by the Under-Secretary-General for

- Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator on the potential impact of aid shortages on baby mortality in Gaza; and if he will take additional steps to help prevent potential loss of life. (53953)
- **Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether human rights issues in Kyrgyzstan were discussed at the first meeting of the Kyrgyz-British Strategic Dialogue in February 2025. (53969)
- **Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether human rights issues in Kyrgyzstan have been examined within the framework of the Developing Countries Trade Scheme. (53970)
- **Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of trends in levels of suicide among women impacted by conflict in Sudan. (53978)
- **Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of trends in the level of adherence to the Murad Code on improving information-gathering from survivors of sexual violence in conflicts within Sudan by (a) NGOs, (b) belligerents and (c) civil society. (53980)
- **Tom Hayes** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of a youth mobility scheme with Turkey. (54217)
- **Tom Hayes** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of a youth mobility scheme with Saudi Arabia. (54218)
- **Tom Hayes** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of a youth mobility scheme with the United Arab Emirates. (54219)
- **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the proposed deal with Mauritius
  on the Chagos Islands amends the status of (a) the waters of the British Indian Ocean
  Territory's Water and (b) the Blue Belt Programme. (54008)
- 231N **Ruth Jones** (Newport West and Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent steps he has taken to (a) monitor
  violence against Christian communities in northern Nigeria and (b) support efforts to hold
  perpetrators to account. (53985)
- **Chris Law** (Dundee Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to help ensure that (a) all parties and (b) and their foreign backers in the conflict in Sudan (i) comply with international humanitarian law and (ii) are held accountable for violations. (53904)

- 233 **Chris Law** (Dundee Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure humanitarian access in Sudan. (53905)
- 234 **Chris Law** (Dundee Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to provide (a) humanitarian assistance, (b) support to (i) local and (ii) regional responders and (c) food aid to people in Sudan.

  (53906)
- 235 **Chris Law** (Dundee Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking with (a) the UN, (b) the African Union, (c) Arab states and (d) other multilateral groups to help tackle hunger in Sudan.
- Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the (a) effectiveness and (b) value for money of Official Development Assistance given to womenled organisations.
  (53872)
- 237 Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of using gross national income forecasts to determine future levels of Official Development Assistance. (53873)
- 238 Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of Russian disinformation on the ability of humanitarian agencies to function in Ukraine.
  (53874)
- Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 12 May 2025 to
  Question 49361 on Sudan: Development Aid, whether the £120 million of food aid is the
  only funding allocated to Sudan for the 2025-26 financial year. (53875)
- 240 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent estimate he has made of the

  number of (a) groups and (b) militias operating in Syria. (53876)
- Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
   Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent steps his Department has taken to
   help establish a stable government in Syria.
- 242 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what criteria he plans to use to assess the
  effectiveness of the Syria (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) Regulations 2025. (53878)

- Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
   Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to help support
   community health initiatives in Botswana.
- 244 Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of the potential link between extreme weather events and the number of malaria cases. (53880)
- Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of UK-based research and development into neglected topical diseases on (a) global health security and (b) jobs in the UK.
  (53881)
- Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
   Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to help support the roll-out of UK-made malaria vaccines.
- 247 **Wendy Morton** (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to help support
  diagnostic testing of fevers in countries in Sub-Saharan Africa. (53883)
- 248 **Connor Naismith** (Crewe and Nantwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help
  support people who are being harassed by foreign private care institutions for matters
  that would not be subject to (a) legal and (b) financial obligations within the UK. (54141)
- 249 Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will take steps with international partners to help ensure that people are not subject to violence due to their religion. (53856)
- 250 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of introducing a right to consular assistance for medical emergencies. (53857)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and
   Development Affairs, what steps he has taken to support efforts to tackle (a) malaria and
   (b) other diseases of poverty globally.
- 252N **Andy Slaughter** (Hammersmith and Chiswick): To ask the Secretary of State, Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of whether the
  transfer of Moroccan citizens into occupied Western Sahara is a breach of the Geneva
  Conventions of 12 August 1949. (53826)
- 253N **Henry Tufnell** (Mid and South Pembrokeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with his
  Israeli counterpart on implementing a two-state solution in the region. (54120)

- Dr Scott Arthur (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
   Department, what steps she plans to take to evaluate the effectiveness of her
   Department's Enough campaign at tackling violence against women and girls. (54163)
- 255N **Kirsty Blackman** (Aberdeen North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of a ban on employment for women seeking asylum on levels of vulnerability of those women to gender-based (a) violence and (b) exploitation; and what steps she is taking to tackle gender-based (i) violence and (ii) exploitation among these groups. (53862)
- 256N **Kirsty Blackman** (Aberdeen North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home

  Department, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the asylum system
  on the vulnerability to gender-based violence and exploitation of women seeking safety;
  and what steps she has taken to mitigate this impact. (53863)
- 257N **Kirsty Blackman** (Aberdeen North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent assessment her Department has made of the potential long-term impact of the work ban for people seeking asylum on (a) mental health, (b) barriers to future employment and (c) integration into their new communities. (53864)
- Olivia Blake (Sheffield Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what information her Department holds on the safety of transgender people travelling to the US; and if she will publish a country policy and information note on (a) sexual orientation and (b) gender identity and expression in the US. (54039)
- 259 Olivia Blake (Sheffield Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether data and imagery collected by Anduril Maritime Sentry Towers are used in asylum application decision-making.
  [R] (54041)
- Olivia Blake (Sheffield Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the error rate in asylum applications where decisions have had an automated- or AI-based element has been between November 2024 and March 2025. [R] (54042)
- Olivia Blake (Sheffield Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether asylum applicants are made aware of their right to (a) receive and (b) amend their transcript from their substantive interview.

  [R] (54043)
- 262 **Suella Braverman** (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department has an internal target for net migration in 2025. (53927)
- 263N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the White Paper entitled Restoring Control over the Immigration System, published on 12 May 2025, if she will make it her policy to (a) consult on and (b) publish an implementation timetable for the proposed reforms to the basic compliance assessment metrics. (53996)

- 264N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the White Paper entitled Restoring Control over the Immigration System, published on 12 May 2025, if she will make it her policy to implement a transition period for compliance with basic compliance assessment metrics by sponsoring institutions. (53997)
- 265N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to proposed reforms to the Basic Compliance Assessment in the White Paper entitled Restoring Control over the Immigration System, published on 12 May 2025, if she will consult with (a) sponsoring institutions and (b) bodies representing them on the implementation of those reforms. (53998)
- 266 **Liam Conlon** (Beckenham and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent progress her Department has made on improving neighbourhood policing in (a) Beckenham and Penge constituency and (b) the UK. (54125)
- 267 Liam Conlon (Beckenham and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to tackle (a) shoplifting and (b) violence against shopworkers in (i) Beckenham and Penge constituency and (ii) nationally.
  (54126)
- 268 Liam Conlon (Beckenham and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to support victims of the Windrush scandal. (54128)
- 269 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of training available to police forces for engaging with neurodiverse suspects. (53951)
- 270N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent steps she has taken to help increase prosecution rates for knife crime.

  (53956)
- 271 **Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps the Defending Democracy Taskforce (a) has taken and (b) plans to take to help tackle threats to democracy outside of election periods. (53973)
- 272 **Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps the Defending Democracy Taskforce (a) has taken and (b) plans to take to help tackle threats to democracy arising from the lack of availability of high-quality local news.
- 273 Anneliese Dodds (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether the Defending Democracy Taskforce has made an assessment of the potential implications for its policies of the report by Demos entitled Epistemic Security 2029: Protecting the UK's information supply chain and strengthening democratic discourse for the next political era, published on 29 November 2024. (53975)

- 274 Anneliese Dodds (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what discussions the Defending Democracy Taskforce has had with civil society organisations.
  (53976)
- 275 **Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she has made an assessment of trends in the levels of transnational repression towards Sudanese diaspora peace activists in the UK. (53979)
- 276 Tom Hayes (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the White Paper entitled Restoring Control over the Immigration System, publish on 12 May 2025, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of her proposed changes to short-term study visas on language schools in the UK. (54221)
- 277 **James MacCleary** (Lewes): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the timeline is for UK travellers to start having expanded access to EU eGates. (54204)
- 278 **Sir Andrew Mitchell** (Sutton Coldfield): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to reduce youth-related violence in Sutton Coldfield constituency. (53816)
- Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
   Department, what discussions she has had with the Coalition to Fight Knife Crime on
   tackling knife crime.
- Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
  Department, what steps she is taking to encourage (a) (i) community and (ii) campaign
  groups and (b) families affected by knife crime to participate in the Coalition to Tackle
  Knife Crime. (53866)
- Wendy Morton (Aldridge-Brownhills): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home

  Department, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for her policies

  of the levels of knife crime in the West Midlands in the last five years. (53868)
- James Naish (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if her Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of extending the duration of the Ukrainian Visa scheme for Ukrainian national visa holders with children currently working towards GCSE or A Level qualifications in the UK. (54052)
- 283 **Connor Naismith** (Crewe and Nantwich): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking with the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions to ensure that the McCloud remedy is enacted for members of the Firefighters' Pension Scheme. (54139)
- 284 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, which private contractors are working for the her Department securing private rented accommodation for asylum seekers. (54093)

- **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she has taken to house asylum seekers who enter the country illegally with a pet; and what happens to the pet. (54096)
- 286N **Brendan O'Hara** (Argyll, Bute and South Lochaber): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many Yazidis have been resettled to the UK from (a) Iraq and (b) Syria in each year since 2014.
- **Joe Powell** (Kensington and Bayswater): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many offences were recorded for enforcement action against delivery e-bikes in the last 12 months. (54148)
- **Steve Race** (Exeter): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent progress her Department has made on replacing the use of animals with non-animal methods for antibody production; and whether her Department is taking steps to accelerate this process. (54060)
- **Steve Race** (Exeter): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure that an adequate justification is provided when animals are used in antibody production. (54061)
- **Steve Race** (Exeter): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the report by the Animals in Science Committee entitled Review of antibody licences, published on 20 October 2022, whether the Animals in Science Committee plans to publish an updated review; and whether her Department plans to provide funding for further research on this issue. (54062)
- **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to reduce antisocial behaviour in town centres in (a) the Fylde constituency and (b) Lancashire. (54073)
- **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what support her Department provides to victims of online fraud and scams in (a) the Fylde constituency and (b) Lancashire. (54074)
- Sir John Hayes (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the hon. Member for Blaenau Gwent and Rhymney, representing the House of Commons Commission, representing the House of Commons Commission, what discussions he has had with the House of Commons authorities on the use of women-only spaces in its buildings by transgender women following the Supreme Court judgement in For Women Scotland v The Scottish Ministers [2025] USCK 16.
- 294N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he plans to fully integrate Spear 3 onto Typhoon. (53934)

- 295N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what discussions he has had with his US counterparts on the integration of Spear 3 onto the F-35B.
- 296 James Cartlidge (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph 23 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 EU and UK dialogues on maritime security will involve the creation of new UK initiatives in the maritime domain. (53936)
- James Cartlidge (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph 25 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 assessment he has made of the potential impact of regular exchanges with the EU on the development of (a) UK defence readiness and (b) the UK defence industry on national security. (53937)
- 298 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph 27 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 steps he is taking to establish an administrative arrangement with the European Defence Agency. (53938)
- 299 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph 28 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, who will attend the regular exchanges on space security on behalf of the Government. (53939)
- James Cartlidge (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph 28 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 assessment he has made of the potential impact of holding regular exchanges on space security on UK space sovereign capability.
- James Cartlidge (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph 33 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 assessment he has made of the current level of UK-EU cooperation on (a) research and (b) analysis of hybrid threats. (53941)
- 302 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph 35 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 assessment he has made of the potential impact of holding regular exchanges on the resilience of critical infrastructure in Europe on national security. (53942)
- James Cartlidge (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph 44 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, under what circumstances will the EU allow the UK to increase its participation in European Security and Defence College activities.

(53943)

- 304 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph 44 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, under what circumstances will the UK facilitate the participation of the EU in UK-led training activities. (53944)
- James Cartlidge (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph 44 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 estimate he has made of the change in the UK's participation in EU (a) training and (b) education activities. (53945)
- James Cartlidge (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to paragraph 48 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, if he will list the groups that UK posts in third countries will cooperate with.
- 307 **David Chadwick** (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what discussions his Department has had on the impact of the proposed green energy network on military aircraft operating in Brecon, Radnor and Cwmtawe constituency.

  (54151)
- 308 **David Chadwick** (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether representations have been made to his Department on the potential impact of energy parks and associated infrastructure on the Welsh Military Tactical Training Area. (54152)
- 309 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he plans to remain a signatory to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction. (53950)
- 310 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what estimate he has made of the number of animals used for Defence Science and Technology Laboratory research in 2024. (53952)

- **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he is taking steps to increase the number of apprenticeships within the defence sector.(53961)
- **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent discussions he has had with defence manufacturers on skills levels in that sector.

  (53962)
- **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the stability of the semiconductor supply chain for the UK defence industry. (53963)
- Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has held discussions with Cabinet colleagues on an unified security clearance system across (a) Ministry for Defence, (b) Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office and (c) Home Office for prospective suppliers in the defence sector. (53964)
- **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent discussions he has had with SMEs on barriers to defence procurement. (53965)
- Mr Richard Holden (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the answer of 18 November 2024 to Question 13435 on Military Aircraft: Helicopters, whether there are any non-routine circumstances in which (a) Defence Ministers, (b) senior officials in his department and (c) senior members of the armed aorces remain eligible to use military helicopters for official travel. (54009)
- **Carla Lockhart** (Upper Bann): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent steps his Department has taken to help support the mental health of veterans in Northern Ireland; and what support his Department is providing to affected veterans. (54036)
- **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, who Operation (a) Courage and (b) Restore will be (i) managed and (ii) funded by after the abolition of NHS England. (54157)
- **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the allocated budget was for (a) Operation Courage and (b) Operation Restore in each financial year between 2020-21 and 2024-25; and how much funding has been allocated to each programme in the 2025-26 financial year. (54159)
- **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many referrals there have been to (a) Operation Courage and (b) Operation Restore in each year since 2016; and how many of those referrals were reviewed by multi-disciplinary teams within 8 weeks.
- **Sir Andrew Mitchell** (Sutton Coldfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an assessment of the economic impact of MOD expenditure in businesses in the West Midlands. (53817)

- 322 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 21st May 2025 to Question 52039 on Armed Forces: Housing, where are the 19 void properties in Huntingdon constituency. (54098)
- 323 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 21 May 2025 to Question 52039 on Armed Forces: Housing, when the 19 void properties in the Huntingdon constituency are due to be refurbished. (54099)
- Olivia Blake (Sheffield Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of extending the Community Right to Buy powers proposed in the Devolution White Paper to allow community organisations to take over moorlands and peatbogs. (54038)
- James Cartlidge (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to make changes to the (a) Housing Revenue

  Account model and (b) Right to Buy scheme. (53932)
- James Cartlidge (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the potential implications for her policies of the five-point plan set out in the report entitled Securing the Future of Council Housing, published in September 2024. (53933)
- 327 **Chris Coghlan** (Dorking and Horley): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the potential
  impact of Gatwick airport expansion on local house prices. (54188)
- Jonathan Davies (Mid Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 4 April 2025 to Question
  42631 on Historic Environment Records, what assessment she has made of the potential
  merits of historic environment records in (a) increasing certainty in the planning process
  and (b) ensuring that heritage increases economic growth; and if she will publish a
  timetable for implementing (i) section 230 of and (ii) other outstanding measures from the
  Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023.
- 329 Anneliese Dodds (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps (a) her Department and (b) the Building Safety Regulator is taking to reduce decision times by the regulator for approving multi-storey residential blocks.
- 330 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,

  Communities and Local Government, whether her Department plans to legally redefine
  the term affordable housing to be linked to social rent. (54208)
- 331 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, whether her Department has issued guidance to
  relevant authorities on whether the use of a hotel as asylum hostel accommodation
  constitutes a material change of use. (53912)

- **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, whether (a) her Department and (b) the Valuation
  Tribunal Service has issued guidance to local billing authorities on the definition of a
  second home for council tax purposes. (53913)
- **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,

  Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to tackle Islamist
  sectarianism. (53914)
- **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what requirements local planning authorities have to undertake Green Belt reviews; and whether this includes Metropolitan Open Land. (53916)
- **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 30 April 2025 to Question
  45670 on Green Belt: Planning Permission, how many homes were approved on greenfield
  land within the Green Belt in each year since 1997-98 for which figures are held. (53917)
- **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 30 April 2025 to
  Question 45670 on Green Belt: Planning Permission, whether she took into account (a)
  the fall in housing starts due to the post-2008 recession and financial crisis and (b) the
  redesignation in 2010 of gardens as greenfield land.

  (53918)
- **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, what planning status Metropolitan Open Land has
  under the National Planning Policy Framework.

  (53920)
- **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the answer of 7 April 2025, to Question 40908, on New Towns: Planning Permission, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for her Department's policies of the loss of the 1,300 homes and 30,000sqm of commercial development originally planned by the Ebbsfleet Development Corporation.
- **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, if she will publish a list of the local authorities which
  will levy a second homes premium on council tax in 2025-26; and what estimate she has
  made of the number of homes liable to that premium.

  (53923)
- **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, what is the average cost to a local authority of
  holding a (a) Parliamentary and (b) local authority by-election; and whether information
  is held by type of local authority ward.

  (53924)

- **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, what her policy is on redevelopment for housing of
  (a) golf courses and (b) other green space sporting facilities located on (i) Green Belt and
  (ii) Metropolitan Open Land. (53925)
- **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, what information her Department holds on the
  number of local authority-owned homes that are empty in each local authority in
  England. (53926)
- 343N **Sir Jeremy Hunt** (Godalming and Ash): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
  Communities and Local Government, when she plans to respond to correspondence
  from the Rt Hon Member for Godalming and Ash of 3 April 2025, requesting a meeting
  with the Minister for Housing and Planning to discuss concerns related to the Community
  Infrastructure Levy. (53827)
- **Terry Jermy** (South West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 10 April 2025 to Question 43491 on Internal Drainage Boards: Finance, what steps she has taken to allocate funding to councils.

  (54170)
- **Andrew Lewin** (Welwyn Hatfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to help councils use unspent Section 106 contributions. (54059)
- **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, what assessment she has made of the feasibility of upgrading the 52% of rented homes in England that are not already at Energy Performance Certificate C level. (54094)
- **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the additional infrastructure required to support the proposed development of residential housing at Wyton Airfield in Cambridgeshire. (54095)
- **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make it her policy to expand the remit of her Best Value Commissioners in Birmingham City Council and instruct them to suspend the council trade union facility time given to the Unite trade union whilst the Birmingham bin strike organised by Unite is ongoing. (54045)

- **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether (a) Ministers, (b) officials in her Department and (c) Best Value Commissioners have had any involvement in the interlocutory injunctions in relation to the industrial action in Birmingham. (54046)
- **Sir Julian Smith** (Skipton and Ripon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,

  Communities and Local Government, whether she has had recent discussions with

  relevant stakeholders on the potential merits of increasing the use of mediation to resolve

  building disputes.

  [R] (53842)
- **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of short-term holiday lets on local housing availability in (a) Fylde constituency and (b) Lancashire. (54078)
- 352N **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what funding she has made available to support community-led housing schemes. (54079)
- **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to ensure adequate (a) infrastructure is and (b) public services are in place before the approval of large-scale housing developments in (i) Fylde constituency and (ii) Lancashire. (54080)
- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department has issued guidance to local planning authorities on the (a) enforcement of and (b) inclusion of a (i) deposit and (ii) bond in section 106 agreements made in relation to embassies. (53891)
- 355N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the cost was of her Department's language services contracts in 2024. (53819)
- **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 30 April 2025 to Question 47817 on Ministry of Justice: Equality, if she will publish all documentation associated with the training on creating inclusive virtual teams. (54010)
- **Mr Joshua Reynolds** (Maidenhead): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether she has considered introducing custodial sentences for people found guilty of illegal hunting under the provisions of the Hunting Act 2004. (54143)
- **Sir Julian Smith** (Skipton and Ripon): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment she has made of the impact of mandatory self-regulation for third party litigation funders.

  [R] (53844)
- **Sir Julian Smith** (Skipton and Ripon): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether she has had recent discussions with Lawtech UK on the feasibility study for an SME online dispute resolution platform.

  [R] (53845)

- **Sir Julian Smith** (Skipton and Ripon): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what discussions she has had with the Small Claims Mediation Service on the introduction of mandatory mediation for small claims.

  [R] (53846)
- **Sir Julian Smith** (Skipton and Ripon): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps she is taking to encourage higher attendance rates at the Small Claims Mediation Service.

  [R] (53847)
- **Sir Julian Smith** (Skipton and Ripon): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what discussions she has had with relevant stakeholders on the use of mediation in administrative justice claims.

  [R] (53848)
- **Sir Julian Smith** (Skipton and Ripon): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what discussions she has had with relevant stakeholders on the expansion of mandatory mediation to higher value claims.

  [R] (53849)
- **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps his Department is taking to reduce court backlogs for residents in the Fylde constituency. (54069)
- **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps she is taking to support victims of domestic abuse in (a) Fylde and (b) other rural and coastal areas.

  (54070)
- **Fred Thomas** (Plymouth Moor View): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps her Department is taking to support individuals with unspent convictions seeking employment. (54201)
- **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South and Mid Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what discussions he has had with the Northern Ireland Health Minister on establishing a public inquiry into issues around cervical screening in the Southern Health Trust.
- **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his polices of levels of economic growth in Northern Ireland. (54027)
- **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what steps he is taking to replace the Northern Ireland Troubles (Legacy and Reconciliation)
  Act 2023. (54028)
- **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what steps he is taking to help improve public services in Northern Ireland. (54029)
- **Alex Ballinger** (Halesowen): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of extending the mortgage guarantee scheme beyond 30 June 2025. (54150)

- 372N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 20 March 2025 to Question 38924 on Chelsea Football Club: Sales, what progress the Financial Sanctions Implementation Office has made on ensuring that the frozen proceeds from the sale of Chelsea FC are sent to humanitarian causes in Ukraine.
- 373 **Markus Campbell-Savours** (Penrith and Solway): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of applying preferential (a) interest rates and (b) tax treatment for NS&I Green Savings bonds. (54122)
- 374 **Markus Campbell-Savours** (Penrith and Solway): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of increasing the purchase price limit of (a) lifetime ISAs and (b) help-to-buy ISAs. (54123)
- 375N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will hold discussions with farmers in South Suffolk constituency on the changes to Inheritance Tax proposed in the Autumn Budget 2024. (53928)
- 376N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the White paper entitled Restoring Control over the Immigration System, published on12 May 2025, whether the decision to implement the international student levy will fall under the devolved powers of the Scottish Government. (53995)
- 377 **Tom Hayes** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the contribution of English as a Foreign Language (EFL) schools to (a) the UK and (b) Bournemouth economy. (54220)
- 378 **Katie Lam** (Weald of Kent): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, for what reason HMRC Policy did not meet her Department's target response times to correspondence from MPs and Peers in (a) Q3 and (b) Q4 of 2024. (54165)
- 379 **Katie Lam** (Weald of Kent): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, for what reason her Department did not meet its target response times to correspondence from MPs and Peers in (a) Q3 and (b) Q4 of 2024. (54166)
- 380 **Connor Naismith** (Crewe and Nantwich): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment she has made of the potential impact of the loan charge on the mental health of loan charge users. (54142)
- Jo Platt (Leigh and Atherton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of reforming the application of VAT to the hair and beauty sector, in the context of levels of competition with other self-employed businesses in (a) Leigh and Atherton constituency and (b) elsewhere. (53983)
- 382 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment she has made of the potential impact of inflation on average household disposable income in (a) Fylde constituency and (b) Lancashire. (54077)

- 383N **Sir Mel Stride** (Central Devon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, for what reason her Department did not make an assessment of the potential impact of the proposed Double Contribution Convention with India on the public purse before agreeing to it. (53829)
- 384N **Sir Mel Stride** (Central Devon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make it her Department's policy to announce changes to winter fuel payments at fiscal events. (53830)
- 385 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of increases in employer National Insurance contributions on employment in Wales. (54030)
- 386 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of increases in employer National Insurance contributions on wages in Wales. (54031)
- 387 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of changes to the eligibility criteria for the Winter Fuel Payment on vulnerable groups in Wales. (54032)
- 388 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, how many farms in Wales will be impacted by changes to (a) agricultural property relief and (b) business property relief.

  (54033)
- 389 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the level of performance of the Welsh economy. (54034)
- 390 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, if she will take steps to mark Age Without Limits Day. (54137)
- 391 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, when she plans to enact the socioeconomic measures in the Equality Act 2010. (53909)
- 392N **Rachel Taylor** (North Warwickshire and Bedworth): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, whether it is her Department's policy that organisations should await the publication of the Equality and Human Rights Commission Code of Practice guidance before changing their policies and practices following the Supreme Court judgement in the case of For Women Scotland v The Scottish Ministers of 16 April 2025. (54063)
- 393N **Rachel Taylor** (North Warwickshire and Bedworth): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what steps she will be taking to consult a wide range of stakeholders before the publication of the Code of Practice guidance by the Equality and Human Rights Commission in response to the Supreme Court judgement in the case of For Women Scotland v The Scottish Ministers of 16 April 2025. (54064)

# Questions for Answer on Tuesday 3 June

#### **Questions for Written Answer**

Thursday 22 May 2025

- 1N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many UK-based apprenticeships were supported through the Erasmus programme in each year between 2008 and 2021. (53908)
- 2N **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South and Mid Down): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will take steps to ensure that the findings of the Independent Review of the Windsor Framework are considered during UK-EU negotiations. (54016)
- 3N **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South and Mid Down): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will have discussions with his EU counterparts to improve the functioning of the Windsor Framework. (54017)
- 4N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the press release of the Intelligence and Security Committee of Parliament of 1 May 2025, whether he plans to re-locate the Committee's secretariat to outside the Cabinet Office. (54011)
- 5N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 7 May 2025 to Question 48551 on Trade Union Recognition, what the criteria is that he will use to assess whether or not for the recognition threshold will be lowered. (54005)
- 6N **Noah Law** (St Austell and Newquay): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what discussions he has had with his counterparts in countries in the Minerals Security Partnership on aligning (a) environmental, (b) social and (c) governance guidelines on critical minerals.
- 7N **Gareth Snell** (Stoke-on-Trent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when she plans to provide an Answer to Question 50886 on Apprentices: Taxation, tabled on 8 May 2025. (53948)
- 8N **Noah Law** (St Austell and Newquay): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he plans to conduct a consultation on (a) modernising UK Waste Codes and (b) redefining (i) waste classifications and (ii) permitted (A) disposal and (B) recovery methods.
- 9N **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether the (a) Extended Producer Responsibility and (b) Deposit Return Scheme thresholds for beverage manufacturers are applied (i) per-brand and (ii) according to the size of the parent company. (54146)

- 10N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what information her Department holds on the number of new (a) residential and (b) commercial properties that have been built in Cambridgeshire since 2001.
- 11N Mr Richard Holden (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 2 May 2025 to Question 47820 on Office for Value for Money:

  Aviation, if she will make it her policy to instruct the Office for Value for Money to undertake an assessment into the value for money of Ministers' use of non-scheduled flights.

  (54007)
- 12N **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps she is taking to ensure that (a) creditors and (b) debt collection agencies (i) respond to customer enquiries and (ii) amend credit files in a timely manner. (54044)

### Questions for Answer on Wednesday 4 June

#### **Questions for Written Answer**

- 1N **Lewis Atkinson** (Sunderland Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help support people to (a) stay active and (b) live longer in (i) Sunderland Central constituency and (ii) other areas. (54051)
- 2N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what role neighbourhood mental health centre pilot schemes will play in improving (a) care and (b) support for people living with bipolar disorder; and whether these centres will provide specialist support to help reduce delays to diagnosis and treatment. (53884)
- 3N **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that women have access to high-quality (a) interpretation and (b) translation services at Derwentside Immigration Removal Centre. (53990)
- 4N Mary Kelly Foy (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the report entitled Evaluation of Action Access, an Alternative to Detention Pilot by UNHCR, published in January 2022, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of community-based alternatives to detention for women. (53991)
- 5N Mary Kelly Foy (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what oversight mechanisms her Department has established to ensure that Serco fulfils its contractual obligations as the operator of Derwentside Immigration Removal Centre. (53992)

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- 6N **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether any penalties have been applied to Serco for non-compliance with contractual obligations at Derwentside Immigration Removal Centre in the past 12 months. (53993)
- 7N **Tony Vaughan** (Folkestone and Hythe): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what proportion of people who come to the UK get citizenship after (a) five years and (b) ten years. (54066)
- 8N **Tony Vaughan** (Folkestone and Hythe): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what proportion of migrants are granted settlement after (a) five years and (b) ten years for which the latest data is available. [R] (54067)