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Questions tabled on Friday 13 June 2025

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Questions for Answer on Monday 16 June

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the policy paper entitled UK-EU Summit - Common Understanding, published on 19 May 2025, whether the EU will be entitled to claim damages through arbitration if the UK fails to implement new EU laws. [Transferred] (59329)
- 2 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of access to books in low-income households on reading outcomes among children eligible for free school meals. [Transferred] (59345)
- 3 **David Chadwick** (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department is taking steps to develop (a) fiscal and (b) regulatory frameworks to support (i) private and (ii) blended finance for large-scale rewilding and nature recovery projects in (a) England, (b) Scotland, (c) Wales and (d) Northern Ireland. [Transferred] (59618)
- 4N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central and West): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, which Government departments work with Meta to (a) identify and (b) remove misinformation. [Transferred] (59349)
- 5 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of rail infrastructure schemes in the East of England on regional economic growth. [Transferred] (59569)

- 6 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to deliver a new National Carers Strategy in the next 12 months.
[Transferred] (59589)
- 7 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 12 June 2025 to Question 55130 on Farmers: Mental Health Services, what (a) metrics and (b) evaluation frameworks are being used to assess the effectiveness of current mental health interventions in farming communities. [Transferred] (59508)
- 8 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer to Question 55130 on Farmers: Mental Health Services, what steps he is taking to help ensure that rural agricultural communities have equitable access to the 8,500 new mental health support workers.
[Transferred] (59509)
- 9 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 30 May 2025 to Question 55130 on Farmers: Mental Health Services, will the national network of Young Futures hubs include rural-focused outreach to help tackle the challenges faced by young people growing up in farming families.
[Transferred] (59510)
- 10 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what role qualified roofing professionals will have in assessing the condition of roofs before solar PV installations under the Future Homes Standard.
[Transferred] (59435)
- 11 **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she has had discussions with the Secretary of State for Business and Trade on the impact of increased business rates on the viability of high street businesses in market towns.
[Transferred] (59413)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 17 June

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps he is taking to improve public sector delivery with (a) technologies and (b) AI. (59771)
- 2 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what the cost to the public purse was of the Civil Service Muslim Network in the last three years. (59705)
- 3 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many staff network events took place in his Department in May 2025; and what the names of those events were. (59741)

- 4 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what recent steps her Department has taken to (a) strengthen electoral integrity and (b) tackle voter fraud. (59795)
- 5 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many non-disclosure agreements have been signed by staff in central government departments in the last 12 months. (59796)
- 6 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what was the cost to the public purse of central Government spending on external consultants in each of the last three years. (59797)
- 7 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps he is taking to ensure timely responses to ministerial correspondence. (59798)
- 8 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many government contracts have been awarded without competitive tender since January 2023. (59799)
- 9 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the performance of the Government Major Projects Portfolio. (59800)
- 10 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what recent progress he has made on the Places for Growth programme. (59801)
- 11 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many data breaches have been recorded in Government departments in the last 12 months. (59802)
- 12 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he plans to (a) consolidate and (b) relocate departmental property estates outside of London. (59878)
- 13 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will make it his policy to reduce the size of the Government Communication Service. (59756)
- 14 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether civil servants receive (a) training and (b) guidance on managing the risks of non-deterministic outputs in AI-assisted decision-making. (59913)
- 15 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what mechanisms are in place to ensure (a) reproducibility and (b) accountability when AI is used in cross-government digital services. (59914)
- 16 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether his Department has issued guidance to government Departments on the (a) procurement and (b) use of non-deterministic AI models in public service delivery. (59915)

- 17N **Dame Harriett Baldwin** (West Worcestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what budget was allocated to the Office for Investment in the spending review 2025. [Transferred] (59374)
- 18 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to reduce regulation for the transport of live crustaceans from the UK to Europe. (59871)
- 19 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to remove barriers to trade for UK seafood exporters. (59872)
- 20 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he is taking steps to accelerate the removal of retained EU law; and what steps he is taking to ensure that the UK's exit from the EU increases international competitiveness. (59873)
- 21 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to support the creation of start-ups in (a) South Holland and the Deepings constituency and (b) Lincolnshire. (59704)
- 22 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 30 May 2025 to Question 530393 on Picketing, whether the 6 person limit on picketing will be (a) retained or (b) removed when the Code of Practice on Picketing is revised. (59792)
- 23 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what proportion of public assets in freeports has been acquired by private (a) companies and (b) corporations. (59849)
- 24 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what the target number of jobs was for UK (a) freeports and (b) special economic zones; and how many jobs UK (i) freeports and (ii) special economic zones have delivered to date. (59850)
- 25 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to the policy paper entitled UK-EU Summit - Common Understanding, published on 19 May 2025, whether he plans to incorporate the proposed security and defence partnership with the EU into the EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement; and if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of doing so on UK compliance with EU (a) foreign and (b) defence policy in the context of trade restrictions. (59715)
- 26 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether his department has made an assessment of the potential merits of mandatory minimum expiry dates on refund vouchers issued by airlines. (59898)

- 27 **Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether his Department has plans to extend consumer rights to cash refunds following a customer complaint. (59899)
- 28 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 12 June 2025 to Question 58327 on Beer: Sales, when he expects the assessment of the beer market to be completed; and whether the findings will be published. (59948)
- 29 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 12 June 2025 to Question 58327 on Beer: Sales, whether his assessment of the beer market will include consideration of (a) tied house arrangements and (b) their impact on market access for guest beers. (59949)
- 30 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of supermarket loyalty scheme pricing models on consumers. (59822)
- 31 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential implications for its policies of Demos' report entitled The Purpose Dividend, published on 28 November 2023. (59832)
- 32 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether (a) Ministers and (b) officials in his Department have had meetings with (i) business representatives and (ii) civil society organisations on changing shareholder primacy into stakeholder primacy in business in the last 12 months. (59833)
- 33 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether his Department plans to bring forward legislative proposals to ensure that company law prioritises stakeholder primacy over shareholder primacy. (59877)
- 34 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to support deaf athletes in Surrey Heath constituency. (59852)
- 35 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps is Ofcom taking to ensure telecommunications providers adhere to the Electronic Communications Code on the visual impact of broadband infrastructure. (59894)
- 36 **Bradley Thomas** (Bromsgrove): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of a public holiday to commemorate the reign of Queen Elizabeth II. (59932)
- 37 **Bradley Thomas** (Bromsgrove): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to promote the use of redundant churches for (a) cultural, (b) community and (c) educational purposes. (59933)

- 38 **Dame Harriett Baldwin** (West Worcestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much funding has been allocated to Holiday Activities and Food Programme in each of the last three financial years; and how much funding has been allocated in each financial year of the 2025 Spending Review period. (59757)
- 39 **Aphra Brandreth** (Chester South and Eddisbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to ensure that the updated school food standards (a) reflect current nutritional science and (b) address trends in (i) childhood obesity and (ii) food related ill health. (59921)
- 40 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of legacy PFI contracts where BSSL contractors are failing to carry out repairs and maintenance on schools in (a) Bridlington and The Wolds and (b) throughout the UK; and if she will publish the full PFI contract terms and survey information for the affected schools. (59828)
- 41 **Sarah Gibson** (Chippenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much funding has been allocated to post-16 skills and vocational training in Wiltshire since 2020. (59838)
- 42 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many Young Futures Hubs she plans to create in (a) South Holland and the Deepings constituency and (b) Lincolnshire. (59700)
- 43 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many schools engaged with Historic England's Heritage Schools Programme in each region in the most recent academic year for which data is available. (59907)
- 44 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 13 June 2025 to Question 57447 on Local History: Education, how (a) local historians, (b) museums and (c) heritage organisations can contribute to (i) curriculum development and (ii) enrichment in local history education. (59916)
- 45 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what plans her Department has to develop guidance for educational institutions (a) using and (b) procuring AI systems. (59911)
- 46 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made an assessment of the potential impact of using non-deterministic AI in (a) marking, (b) admissions and (c) behaviour prediction on (i) schools and (ii) universities. (59912)
- 47 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will increase funding for flood defence schemes in South Shropshire constituency. (59769)

- 48 **Sir Geoffrey Clifton-Brown** (North Cotswolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what information his Department holds on the number of brown hares shot in England between February and October each year. (59701)
- 49 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will publish the modelling used for the proposed changes to (a) Agricultural Property Relief and (b) Business Property Relief. (59830)
- 50 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to increase the share of fishing opportunities in UK waters for British fishers. (59831)
- 51 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what research his Department is supporting to facilitate the sustainable expansion of British (a) deep-sea species, (b) aquaculture and (c) other fisheries. (59863)
- 52 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department plans to take steps to increase the flexibility of fishing quotas so that fishermen can respond to changes in species abundance. (59864)
- 53 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department has a long-term strategy for the fishing sector. (59865)
- 54 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will ensure a (a) sustainable and (b) supportive approach to the fishing industry. (59866)
- 55 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many foreign-flagged vessels are licensed to fish in UK waters; and if he will take steps to ensure that UK fishermen have full access to UK fisheries. (59867)
- 56 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how much funding has been delivered through the UK Seafood Fund; and what steps he is taking to ensure that the UK's exit from the EU leads to investment in small-scale British fishing communities. (59868)
- 57 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help tackle environmental harm in (a) South Holland and the Deepings constituency and (b) Lincolnshire. (59703)

- 58 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent steps he has taken to improve the condition of sites of special scientific interest in Lincolnshire. (59708)
- 59 **Melanie Onn** (Great Grimsby and Cleethorpes): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what proportion of (a) UK-flagged and (b) EU member state-flagged fishing vessels were subject to port inspections in the last 12 months. (59744)
- 60 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to improve the (a) condition and (b) ecological quality of woodlands in Surrey Heath constituency. (59854)
- 61 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to support local authorities to tackle fly-tipping in Surrey Heath constituency. (59855)
- 62 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment has been made of the potential impact of banning mancozeb by the end of 2025 on the (a) socio-economy and (b) security of the UK's trading partners. (59719)
- 63 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department has provided funding for research into the (a) development and (b) trial of multi-site fungicide alternatives to mancozeb that are viable for tropical fruit exporters in Latin America. (59720)
- 64 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to support innovation in agri-science to improve farming (a) productivity and (b) sustainability in (i) Fylde constituency and (b) Lancashire. (59939)
- 65 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of agri-science on (a) improving soil health and (b) reducing chemical inputs in farming in (i) Fylde constituency and (ii) Lancashire. (59940)
- 66 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the accessibility of Government-supported agri-science programmes to small and medium-sized farms in (a) Fylde and (b) Lancashire. (59941)
- 67 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the performance of the Rural Payments Agency in delivering timely payments to farmers in (a) Fylde constituency and (b) Lancashire. (59942)

- 68 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many complaints the Rural Payments Agency has received from farmers in the last 12 months; and what the most common issues raised were. (59943)
- 69 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the adequacy of the support provided by the Rural Payments Agency for (a) new and (b) young farmers who apply for funding under new environmental land management schemes. (59944)
- 70 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with farming representative organisations on the (a) efficiency and (b) responsiveness of the Rural Payments Agency. (59945)
- 71 **Bradley Thomas** (Bromsgrove): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of the Countryside Stewardship Scheme in Bromsgrove. (59930)
- 72 **Bradley Thomas** (Bromsgrove): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to promote beekeeping. (59931)
- 73 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make it his policy to bring into force paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 17 of the Environment Act 2021 on a due diligence regime for forest risk commodities in advance of the COP30 international climate conference in November. (59823)
- 74N **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion Preseli): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that the National Telecare Campaign is delivered bilingually in (a) English and (b) Welsh across all platforms. [Transferred] (59480)
- 75 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, how much funding (a) in absolute terms and (b) as a proportion of all research funding his Department has provided for research into (i) climate change adaptation and (ii) resilience in the UK in each of the last five years. (59975)
- 76 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps he is taking to phase out the use of dogs in (a) scientific and (b) regulatory procedures and replace them with human-specific technologies. (59902)
- 77 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps his Department is taking to help phase out the use of animals for antibody production. (59903)
- 78 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment he has made of the 2020 EU Reference Laboratory for alternatives to animal testing's recommendation on non-animal derived antibodies. (59905)

- 79 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of replacing landlines with digital voice services in areas with (a) poor mobile signal and (b) unreliable broadband in Surrey Heath constituency. (59862)
- 80 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps his Department is taking to ensure broadband providers treat residents equitably when determining property eligibility during fibre rollout programmes in Surrey Heath constituency. (59891)
- 81 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of (a) broadband and (b) mobile phone connectivity in Surrey Heath constituency. (59892)
- 82 **Bradley Thomas** (Bromsgrove): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment his Department has made of the resilience of the UK's digital economy in the event of disruption to undersea data cables. (59936)
- 83 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps he is taking to improve resilience to cyberattacks on public services. (59879)
- 84 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential impact on operational trust when non-deterministic AI models produce different outputs from identical inputs. (59904)
- 85 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many people have been (a) arrested and (b) prosecuted for riding e-scooters on (i) public roads and (i) pavements in each of the last three years. (59698)
- 86N **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion Preseli): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department classifies heavy rail projects located entirely within England as (a) local and (b) national projects. [Transferred] (59528)
- 87N **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion Preseli): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department has received representations from the Welsh Government requesting that the East-West rail project be reclassified as an England only project. [Transferred] (59529)
- 88 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate she has made of the number of litres of ethanol that will be supplied as a result of the US-UK trade deal on 8 May 2025. (59918)
- 89 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to modernise public transport technology for buses in Surrey Heath constituency. (59851)

- 90 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to support local authorities to provide safe walking routes for children to schools in Surrey Heath constituency. (59857)
- 91N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the June 2025 Statement of Funding Policy, published on 11 June, and the oral contribution of the Secretary of State for Wales during the oral question on Devolution: Crown Estate of 11 June, Official Report, column 958, whether the East-West rail project is classified by her department as carrying a 100% comparability factor for Wales. [Transferred] (59527)
- 92 **Bradley Thomas** (Bromsgrove): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many Government bodies use the Government Car Service; and what the average number of journeys has been in each Department in the last 12 months. (59929)
- 93 **Max Wilkinson** (Cheltenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department has made an assessment of the percentage of first class train seats that were purchased in the last 12 months. (59827)
- 94 **Max Wilkinson** (Cheltenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much funding her Department has been allocated for the Midlands Rail Hub. (59919)
- 95 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to improve the affordability of rail fares in (a) Twickenham constituency and (b) London. (59809)
- 96 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 13 January 2025 on Question 21418 on South West Mainline: Dawlish, whether she plans to provide funding for phase 5 of the Dawlish south west rail resilience fund. (59834)
- 97 **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the mean processing time was for Carer's Allowance applications in (a) 2023, (b) 2024 and (c) 2025. (59781)
- 98 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the (a) longest, (b) shortest and (c) average time taken was from the date an Access to Work application was submitted to the date a decision was made in the 2024-25 financial year. (59768)
- 99 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many Access to Work applications were (a) submitted and (b) rejected in (i) part and (ii) full in the 2024-25 financial year; and how many and what proportion of applications that were rejected were taken to reconsideration. (59782)

- 100 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhési** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department has any plans to review the length of statutory paternity leave. (59803)
- 101 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many Equitable Life members are still waiting for compensation. (59958)
- 102 **Sarah Gibson** (Chippenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment she has made of the adequacy of support available through Access to Work for people with cystic fibrosis (a) with and (b) without (i) transport and (ii) rural connectivity barriers to employment in Wiltshire. (59886)
- 103 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of changes to social security payments after a three month transition period on disabled people. (59728)
- 104 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is planning to take to support disabled people following the potential loss of (a) Universal Credit and (b) PIP. (59729)
- 105 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether it is her Department's policy that local authorities will be required to subsidise the loss of (a) PIP and (b) Universal Credit Health Element to disabled people. (59772)
- 106 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what plans her Department has to provide support to people who are unable to secure employment after the transition period. (59773)
- 107 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what plans her Department has to assess the impact of losing PIP to people in employment. (59774)
- 108 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what plans her Department has to assess the increased cost of (a) health and (b) social care on people following the loss of (i) PIP and (ii) Universal Credit health element. (59775)
- 109 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to ensure that people who lose (a) PIP and (b) the Universal Credit health element have timely access to (a) psychological services and (b) suicide prevention professionals during the transition period. (59776)
- 110 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment she has made of the potential impact of Universal Credit transitional protection rules on claimants migrating from legacy benefits. (59839)

- 111 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department plans to make an assessment of the potential impact of Universal Credit transitional protection rules on claimants who were previously in receipt of the severe disability premium. (59840)
- 112 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of ensuring that the annual uprating of benefits does not result in a net loss of income for vulnerable claimants who are subject to transitional protection following migration to Universal Credit. (59841)
- 113 **Charlotte Cane** (Ely and East Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to ensure that aplastic anaemia is (a) recognised and (b) included on the NHS England website; and if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing accessible information on this condition for (i) patients and (ii) healthcare professionals. (59924)
- 114 **Charlie Dewhurst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Written Statement of 22 May 2025 on NHS Workforce, HCWS663, what the evidential basis is for the reduction of NHS England costs by 50%; and what assessment he has made of the potential impact of that reduction on (a) patient care, (b) access to services and (c) regional health inequalities. (59829)
- 115 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent discussions he has had with ICBs on removing the need for self-funded artificial insemination before accessing NHS-funded IVF. (59758)
- 116 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent steps he has taken to improve access to dental appointments in (a) Slough constituency and (b) Berkshire. (59805)
- 117 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of financial support available to pensioners for dental treatment. (59806)
- 118 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the affordability of NHS dental treatment for pensioners not in receipt of Pension Credit. (59807)
- 119 **Dame Caroline Dinenage** (Gosport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that children's right to play is (a) maintained and (b) supported in healthcare settings. [R] (59749)
- 120 **Dame Caroline Dinenage** (Gosport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will ensure that NHS England's guidance entitled Play well – resources for health play services for England, published on 2 June 2025, is policy across the NHS. [R] (59750)

- 121 **Sarah Gibson** (Chippenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of NHS mental health referrals for under-18s were seen within four weeks in Wiltshire in the last 12 months. (598837)
- 122 **Sarah Gibson** (Chippenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of access to specialist cystic fibrosis services through (a) NHS Trusts in (i) Bath and (ii) Swindon and (b) other routes for patients in Wiltshire. (59881)
- 123 **Sarah Gibson** (Chippenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure access to (a) cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator modulator therapies and (b) other cystic fibrosis treatments in rural parts of Wiltshire. (59882)
- 124 **Sarah Gibson** (Chippenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to provide (a) transport, (b) digital appointments and (c) other support to families managing the transition of cystic fibrosis patients from paediatric to adult care services in Wiltshire. (59883)
- 125 **Sarah Gibson** (Chippenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much research funding his Department has allocated to cystic fibrosis research with clinical links to (a) hospitals and (b) research institutions in (i) Wiltshire and (ii) the South West in the last three years. (59884)
- 126 **Sarah Gibson** (Chippenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of education, health and care plans for children with cystic fibrosis in Wiltshire; and what steps he is taking to help support local authorities to improve those plans. (59885)
- 127 **Sarah Gibson** (Chippenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve the diagnosis of myalgic encephalomyelitis in primary care settings in Wiltshire. (59887)
- 128 **Sarah Gibson** (Chippenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the NICE document entitled Myalgic encephalomyelitis (or encephalopathy)/chronic fatigue syndrome: diagnosis and management, published on 29 October 2021, what progress has been made on implementing the guidelines in NHS trusts serving Wiltshire; and what monitoring is in place. (59888)
- 129 **Sarah Gibson** (Chippenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to review the (a) guidance and (b) training provided to assessors conducting Work Capability Assessments for people living with ME. (59890)
- 130 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of GP patient-to-practice ratios in (a) South Holland and the Deepings constituency and (b) Lincolnshire. (59702)

- 131 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of high-density retirement housing schemes in rural areas that do not have corresponding funding for local healthcare infrastructure on demand for (a) GPs, (b) ambulances and (c) other NHS services. (59954)
- 132 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what criteria he uses to assess improved access to NHS dental services in West Dorset constituency. (59976)
- 133 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he has taken to (a) monitor and (b) assess the impact of the Dentistry Rescue Plan in West Dorset constituency. (59977)
- 134 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with Dorset Integrated Care Board on (a) funding and (b) support for people with learning disabilities in West Dorset constituency. (59978)
- 135 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans his Department has to increase support for learning disability services in West Dorset constituency. (59979)
- 136 **Susan Murray** (Mid Dunbartonshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of implementing care support packages for households, rather than people requiring care. (59874)
- 137 **Susan Murray** (Mid Dunbartonshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of the article by the University of Manchester entitled Tackling unmet needs for social care among older people, published on 21 May 2025. (59875)
- 138 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of enabling dental assistants to perform dental procedures under supervision. (59925)
- 139 **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the closure of hyperbaric chambers on regional health inequalities. (59748)
- 140 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps is he taking to improve NHS access for people with postural tachycardia syndrome requiring specialist care. (59848)
- 141 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure adequate GP provision for new housing developments in Surrey Heath constituency. (59856)

- 142 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to support (a) HIV prevention and (b) HIV care services in Surrey Heath constituency. (59859)
- 143 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve funding for sarcoma cancer research at hospitals in Surrey Heath constituency. (59860)
- 144 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to (a) raise awareness of hydrocephalus and (b) improve support for people living with the condition in Surrey Heath constituency. (59959)
- 145 **Mr Joshua Reynolds** (Maidenhead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to raise public awareness of the symptoms of chronic urinary tract infections. (59956)
- 146 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, for what reason NHS England awarded only three contracts for the provision of hyperbaric oxygen therapy services following its most recent tendering process. (59785)
- 147 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether NHS England carried out an impact assessment before deciding against commissioning hyperbaric oxygen therapy services in the (a) North East, (b) North West, (c) Midlands and (d) central London. (59786)
- 148 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether NHS England conducted site visits to all hyperbaric oxygen therapy providers who submitted bids under the recent commissioning process. (59787)
- 149 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps NHS England is taking to ensure emergency access to hyperbaric oxygen therapy for patients in the (a) North East and (b) North West of England from 1 October 2025. (59789)
- 150 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how NHS England assessed (a) geographic coverage and (b) patient travel time in its hyperbaric oxygen therapy commissioning criteria; and how this was factored into final decisions. (59790)
- 151 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions NHS England had with (a) the coastguard, (b) ambulance trusts and (c) relevant statutory bodies before finalising the list of contracted hyperbaric oxygen therapy providers. (59793)

- 152 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department is taking steps to ensure that (a) patients and (b) clinicians are able to (i) understand and (ii) challenge decisions made by non-deterministic AI systems. (59908)
- 153 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure that non-deterministic outputs from AI tools used in (a) diagnostics and (b) treatment planning can be (i) explained and (ii) validated. (59910)
- 154 **Dr Scott Arthur** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether any UK passport holders have been accused of breaching international law in Gaza. (59843)
- 155 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has taken recent steps with international partners to enable (a) the UN and (b) other humanitarian organisations to distribute aid in Gaza. (59763)
- 156 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether time spent in Gibraltar by UK citizens will count against the 90-day allowance for stays in Schengen countries. (59961)
- 157 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will ensure that time spent in Gibraltar does not reduce the time British citizens can spend in Schengen countries. (59962)
- 158 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 4 June 2025 to Question 57372 on Chagos Islands: Sovereignty, what the costs were to his Department of the Agreement concerning the Chagos Archipelago including Diego Garcia. (59764)
- 159 **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of reports of the murder of Danilo Benavides in Arauca on 2 March 2025. (59725)
- 160 **Liz Jarvis** (Eastleigh): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of changes in the level of Overseas Development Assistance on projects preventing the spread of malaria. (59947)
- 161 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had discussions with the Secretary of State for the Home Department on the potential merits of extending British National (Overseas) nationality status to BN(O) visa holders' dependents residing in the United Kingdom. (59844)

- 162 **Tristan Osborne** (Chatham and Aylesford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has held recent discussions with his international counterparts on facilitating safe passage for Palestinians in Gaza with family in the UK. (59923)
- 163N **Priti Patel** (Witham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the Prime Minister's oral contribution at Prime Ministers Questions on 11 June 2025, Official Report, column 969, on what evidential basis he said that (a) China, (b) Russia and (c) Iran are opposed to the treaty with Mauritius. [Transferred] (59309)
- 164 **Martin Rhodes** (Glasgow North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what principles his Department is applying when determining its priorities in the review of Official Development Assistance. (59861)
- 165 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with his Colombian counterpart on their offer to host a UK technical delegation to assess migration and border control improvements. (59721)
- 166 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had recent discussions with his Colombian counterpart on the potential impact of the mancozeb ban on (a) bilateral trade and (b) regional stability. (59722)
- 167 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has met the Chief Executive of Hong Kong since taking office. (59723)
- 168 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has made recent representations to his counterpart in (a) Hong Kong and (b) China on the wellbeing of wanted people of Hong Kong origin residing in the UK. (59724)
- 169 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what representations he has made to the Hong Kong authorities on the reported prosecution of Kwok Yin-sang, the father of a British National (Overseas) passport holder in exile Anna Kwok, in connection with her pro-democracy advocacy abroad. (59731)
- 170 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has met with Hong Kong pro-democracy activists since 4 July 2024. (59732)
- 171 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had discussions with his counterpart in the Republic of Ireland on recent events in Ballymena. (59733)

- 172 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department plans to implement the recommendations of the report by the Eminent Persons Group entitled A Commonwealth of the People – Time for Urgent Reform, published in October 2011. (59734)
- 173 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to promote (a) digital connectivity and (b) internet access in (i) small island development states and (ii) other nations in the Commonwealth. (59735)
- 174 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of the Commonwealth's role in advancing the UK's Global Britain strategy post-Brexit. (59736)
- 175 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment has his Department made of the effect of the Hong Kong National Security Law on the (a) safety and (b) rights of (i) British Nationals (Overseas) passport holders and (ii) their families in (A) cases of transnational repression targeting relatives of exiled activists and (B) other matters. (59737)
- 176 **David Taylor** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what consideration he has given to establishing a bilateral security agreement with Kosovo as an additional mechanism for the KFOR mission. (59980)
- 177 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will launch an investigation into reported drone attacks on the vessel Conscience in international waters off Malta. (59824)
- 178 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with his Israeli counterpart on the seizure of the UK-flagged civilian ship Madleen by Israeli forces in international waters. (59825)
- 179 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will have discussions with his (a) Israeli and (b) Maltese counterpart on the reported drone attack on the vessel Conscience in international waters. (59826)
- 180 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the safety of the Jewish community in the UK. (59869)
- 181 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she plans to publish a hate crime action plan. (59870)

- 182 **Sarah Gibson** (Chippenham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many reports of fraud involving impersonation of government agencies targeting pensioners have been recorded in each of the last five years by region. (59900)
- 183 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to help disrupt county lines operations in Lincolnshire. (59699)
- 184 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many hotels her Department has purchased for the temporary accommodation of asylum seekers since January 2025. (59706)
- 185 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of extending British National (Overseas) nationality status to BN(O) visa holders' dependents residing in the United Kingdom. (59845)
- 186 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what criteria were used to determine the re-imposition of visit visa requirements for Colombia; and what determination he made using those criteria for other Latin American countries. (59738)
- 187 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to help protect Hong Kong democracy activists in the UK who have bounties placed on them by the Hong Kong government. (59739)
- 188 **Bradley Thomas** (Bromsgrove): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department has taken to tackle (a) anti-social behaviour and (b) shoplifting in Wythall. (59926)
- 189 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to ensure that decisions made using AI in law enforcement can be (a) explained, (b) reviewed, and (c) challenged. (59917)
- 190 **Dr Scott Arthur** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when the last time was that a member of UK armed forces was trained by Israel Defense Forces. (59842)
- 191 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 8 May 2025 to Question 52287 on Unmanned Air Systems: Procurement, what the emerging technologies are. (59767)
- 192 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when the latest Armed Forces Sexual Harassment Survey was launched. (59810)
- 193 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what his planned timetable is for publishing the Veterans' Strategy. (59811)

- 194 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to encourage service personnel to submit responses to the Armed Forces Sexual Harassment Survey. (59812)
- 195 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the UK/Mauritius: Agreement concerning the Chagos Archipelago including Diego Garcia [CS Mauritius No.1/2025], if he will outline how the Agreement will ensure the long-term (a) secure and (b) effective operation of the military base on Diego Garcia. (59813)
- 196 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to Article 10, Clause 1 of the UK/Mauritius: Agreement concerning the Chagos Archipelago including Diego Garcia [CS Mauritius No.1/2025], what are the requirements for Mauritian companies to be selected to contract services on the Base. (59814)
- 197 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to Article 10, Clause 1 of the UK/Mauritius: Agreement concerning the Chagos Archipelago including Diego Garcia [CS Mauritius No.1/2025], if he will estimate the cost of employing Mauritian nationals to be employed as contractors on the Base. (59815)
- 198 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to Annex 1, Clause 3, of the UK/Mauritius: Agreement concerning the Chagos Archipelago including Diego Garcia [CS Mauritius No.1/2025], what assessment he has made of the potential impact of advising Mauritius on the location of UK equipment on the Base on operational security. (59816)
- 199 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to Annex 1, Clause 3, of the UK/Mauritius: Agreement concerning the Chagos Archipelago including Diego Garcia [CS Mauritius No.1/2025], which representatives from (a) the UK and (b) Mauritius will decide on authorisations permitting the presence of (i) non-United Kingdom, (ii) non-United States or (iii) non-Mauritian security forces on the Base. (59817)
- 200 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of UK participation in EU defence industrial programmes on (a) the AUKUS agreement and (b) other existing defence procurement partnerships. (59716)
- 201 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department plans to enter into an association agreement with the EU on (a) UK participation in (i) the European Defence Agency, (ii) the European Defence Fund and (iii) Permanent Structured Cooperation and (b) other defence matters. (59717)
- 202 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department is taking to help support (a) UK and (b) allied operations aimed at disrupting cocaine trafficking networks operating (i) through Venezuela and (ii) in the wider Caribbean region. (59718)

- 203 **Bradley Thomas** (Bromsgrove): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he plans to expand the cadet forces in state schools with limited provision. (59927)
- 204 **Bradley Thomas** (Bromsgrove): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of charging VAT on independent school fees on cadet force partnerships between state and independent schools. (59928)
- 205N **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 11 June to Question 56822 on Israel: Military Aid, whether he has made an assessment of the risk of Ministry of Defence training to Israel Defense Forces personnel (a) facilitating and (b) contributing towards violations of international humanitarian law in the Occupied Palestinian Territories. [Transferred] (59525)
- 206 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if UK defence intelligence will analyse the reported drone attack on the vessel Conscience in international waters to determine the identity of the actors involved. (59880)
- 207 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to help local authorities in rural areas effectively use compulsory purchase orders to bring derelict buildings back into community use. (59770)
- 208 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking to increase the number of disability-accessible houses in South Holland and the Deepings constituency. (59707)
- 209 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, who the members of the Reorganisation Advisory Group in her Department are; and what the terms of reference for that group are. (59766)
- 210 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what funding her Department has provided to Greater Manchester Combined Authority's Housing Investment Loans Fund; and whether (a) guidance and (b) conditions were attached to that funding. (59791)
- 211 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that planning decisions made by the Planning Inspectorate account for local housing need in (a) areas where there is (i) acute demand for affordable homes and (ii) community opposition to retirement-only developments and (b) other areas. (59953)
- 212 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she is taking with Cabinet colleagues to ensure new homes in West Dorset constituency do not exceed local sewage treatment capacity. (59966)

- 213 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to make water companies statutory consultees in the planning system. (59967)
- 214 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment her Department has made of trends in the level of under-occupied homes in West Dorset constituency. (59968)
- 215 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to reduce low room occupancy rates in West Dorset constituency. (59969)
- 216 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of under-occupied homes on housing availability. (59970)
- 217 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of trends in the number of under-occupied homes on housing availability in West Dorset constituency. (59971)
- 218 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department plans to incentivise the use of existing housing stock to help tackle low room occupancy rates. (59972)
- 219 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to support older homeowners to downsize in West Dorset constituency. (59973)
- 220 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department plans to expand schemes to help encourage downsizing in (a) West Dorset constituency and (b) rural areas. (59974)
- 221 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to ensure new housing developments are supported by (a) physical and (b) social infrastructure in Surrey Heath constituency. (59853)
- 222 **Bradley Thomas** (Bromsgrove): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many and what proportion of local authority planning decisions have been overturned by the Planning Inspectorate in the last 12 months. (59934)
- 223 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many people absconded while on bail awaiting trial in each of the last five years. (59709)

- 224 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, how many staff network events took place in his Department in May 2025; and what the names of those events were. (59742)
- 225 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, how many staff network events took place in his Department in May 2025; and what the names of those events were. (59740)
- 226 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Right hon. Member for Kenilworth and Southam, representing the Speaker's Committee on the Electoral Commission, what discussions the Electoral Commission has had with the (a) Scottish and (b) Welsh government on spending limits for the (i) Scottish Parliament and (ii) Welsh Senedd elections in 2026; and what the Commission's planned timetable is for the ratification of the spending limits. (59783)
- 227 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make it her policy to maintain the differential between the levels of the (a) new state pension and (b) lower personal tax allowance. (59950)
- 228 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of amending the regulatory mandate under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2023 to require (a) the Financial Conduct Authority and (b) LINK to assess the adequacy of (i) account opening, (ii) loan applications, (iii) personal financial advice and (iv) other face-to-face banking services. (59955)
- 229 **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she plans to amend reforms to (a) agricultural property relief and (b) business property relief announced at the Autumn Budget 2024. (59946)
- 230 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of (a) reducing VAT rates on hospitality businesses during the covid-19 pandemic on that sector and (b) reducing VAT to 12.5% on the hospitality sector on the economy. (59808)
- 231 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 13 January 2025 to Question 21418 on South West Main Line: Dawlish, what criteria she used for the decision not to include funding for phase 5 of the South West Rail Resilience Programme at Dawlish in the Spending Review 2025. (59876)
- 232 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, how many staff network events took place in her Department in May 2025; and what the names of those events were. (59743)
- 233 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, whether she has had discussions with Cabinet colleagues on a cross-government strategy to eliminate period poverty. (59804)

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- 1N **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to his Department's publication entitled Civil Service EDI Expenditure Review Data, published on 29 May 2025, if he will publish a list of the external (a) organisations and (b) firms that provided (i) benchmarking and (ii) memberships in 2023-24. (59752)
- 2N **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what guidance he has given to civil servants on speaking at press conferences. (59753)
- 3N **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 21 May 2025 to Question HL7182 on Cabinet Office: Zero Hour Contracts, what is the annual cost of staff on zero-hours contract: and in what business units do they work. (59754)
- 4N **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what recent assessment his Department has made of the risk of large-scale disorder in (a) a single area and (b) multiple areas in Great Britain. (59755)
- 5N **Kevin Bonavia** (Stevenage): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of bringing forward legislative proposals to require employers to provide cyber security training, in the context of the recent cyber security incidents in the retail sector. (59906)
- 6N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 12 December 2024 to Question 18502 on Consumer Goods: Safety specifically that his Department is supporting businesses to trade freely across the UK, if he will make it his policy that free movement of goods without bureaucratic requirements is applied across the UK. (59711)
- 7N **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to support the Government's shareholding in Eutelsat OneWeb. (59937)
- 8N **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if his Department will work with wireless broadband operators to develop technology that is in keeping with local environments where it is installed. (59897)
- 9N **Shockat Adam** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what progress her Department has made on implementing the recommendations of the Durham Commission on Creativity and Education. (59935)

- 10N **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she has provided guidance to telecommunications companies on addressing community concerns on the visual impact of broadband poles. (59893)
- 11N **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what plans her Department has to review the Electronic Communications Code on broadband infrastructure and local visual amenity. (59895)
- 12N **Kevin Bonavia** (Stevenage): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the merits of modernising the licensing system for forestry operations to provide greater protection for ancient woodlands. (59909)
- 13N **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps he is taking to further the UK's strategic interest in low earth orbit satellite constellations. (59938)
- 14N **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate she has made of the number of pensions who will exceed the £35,000 income threshold for receiving the Winter Fuel Payment, in each year from 2025 to 2030; and what estimate she has made of the annual financial yield resulting from that measure in each of those years. (59920)
- 15N **Kevin Bonavia** (Stevenage): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will bring forward legislative proposals to ensure that victims of cardiac arrest are immediately referred to the cardiac rehabilitation programme. (59858)
- 16N **Chris Coghlan** (Dorking and Horley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has considered the merits of expanding the functions of the Public Guardian to include responsibility for appropriate discharge of mental capacity assessments. (59922)
- 17N **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he expects the NHS England Independent Patient Choice and Procurement Panel to make a decision on GP out of hours services in the Shrewsbury and Telford and Wrekin ICB. (59846)
- 18N **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans he has for the future of the NHS England Independent Patient Choice and Procurement Panel; when that panel last made a decision; what the average length of its (a) decision making and (b) appeals process is; what criteria it uses to make decisions; and whether that panel will consider public procurement rules when reviewing cases. (59847)
- 19N **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take make an assessment of the potential impact of NHS England's decision to reduce the number of contracted hyperbaric oxygen therapy centres on emergency care. (59794)

- 20N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has held with his US counterpart on the appointment of a special economic envoy to Northern Ireland. (59713)
- 21N **Calum Miller** (Bicester and Woodstock): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many attempted applications have been made for the British National (Overseas) visa pathway by people born before 1997 and who have at least one parent with BNO status since 2021. (59951)
- 22N **Calum Miller** (Bicester and Woodstock): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much funding has been provided through the British National (Overseas) Welcome Programme in each year since 2021. (59952)
- 23N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): 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, what her planned timeline is for bringing the proposals into effect. (59762)
- 24N **Gavin Robinson** (Belfast East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to (a) enforce and (b) monitor the application of legislation on the rights of migrants to (i) rent and (ii) otherwise reside in Northern Ireland. (59726)
- 25N **Gavin Robinson** (Belfast East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many asylum seekers processed had an application for asylum granted in another country in each of the last five years. (59745)
- 26N **Gavin Robinson** (Belfast East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the merits of the further submissions criteria in the asylum system. (59746)
- 27N **Gavin Robinson** (Belfast East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will list by (a) age, (b) gender and (c) country the number of asylum claims granted protection to (i) asylum seekers who crossed the English Channel by sea and (ii) all asylum seekers in each of the last five years. (59747)
- 28N **Gavin Robinson** (Belfast East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many asylum seekers subsequently submitted an application for family reunion by (a) age, (b) gender and (c) country of origin in each of the last five years; and how many family members were included in each application. (59751)
- 29N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what percentage of GDP will be spent on (a) NATO qualifying defence spend and (b) the MOD budget in financial year (i) 2025-26, (ii) 2026-27, (iii) 2027-28 and (iv) 2028-29. (59818)

- 30N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 11 June to Question 56844 on Strategic Defence Review, if he will list the trade unions that received unredacted hard copies of the Strategic Defence Review before 3.00pm on 2 June 2025. (59819)
- 31N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has a strategy to implement the Strategic Defence Review. (59820)
- 32N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he plans to publish a defence command paper to outline how his Department plans to implement the Strategic Defence Review. (59821)
- 33N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhese** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what estimate he has made of the proportion of British-made steel procured by the UK defence industry in the last year. (59759)
- 34N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhese** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the average waiting time was to resolve urgent repairs requested for service family accommodation in the last 12 months. (59760)
- 35N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhese** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he is taking steps to increase domestic steel production capabilities for products required by the UK defence industry. (59761)
- 36N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he considered including a new medium helicopter programme within the Strategic Defence Review; and whether he plans to decide whether to implement such a programme. (59712)
- 37N **Sir Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many sites for reserve forces managed by (a) the Reserve Forces and Cadets Associations and (b) his Department are (i) unusable and (ii) partly unusable because of (A) boiler breakdowns and (B) leaking roofs. (59696)
- 38N **Sir Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to his oral statement of 2 June 2025 on Strategic Defence Review, Official Report, column 53, how much and what proportion of the funding for military accommodation will be allocated to the reserve forces estate. (59697)
- 39N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 11 June to question 56822 on Israel: Military Aid, whether it his policy to take UK International Humanitarian Law assessments into account when offering Israeli defense forces personnel training courses in the UK. (59727)
- 40N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she plans to announce proposals to strengthen the rules on donations to political parties before the summer recess. (59710)

- 41N **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the transparency data entitled MHCLG: spending over £25,000, April 2025, published on 30 May 2025, if she will publish the specification of the research commissioned from the Department for Education on research services. (59784)
- 42N **Mike Martin** (Tunbridge Wells): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she will make an assessment of the potential merits of creating more supported living accommodation for autistic adults. (59889)
- 43N **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what guidance her Department has issued to local planning authorities on the installation of wireless broadband masts. (59896)
- 44N **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of amending permitted developments rights to require local consent for the installation of wireless broadband masts. (59901)
- 45N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 9 June 2025 to Question 56735 on Cars; Credit, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the banking sectors' resilience in ensuring the scale of regulated motor finance is manageable. (59714)
- 46N **Ann Davies** (Caerfyrddin): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to her oral statement on Spending Review 2025, Official Report, column 985, for what reason she referenced Swansea and Bridgend in the context of the extension of free school meals in England. (59836)
- 47N **Ann Davies** (Caerfyrddin): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, how much funding the Welsh government requested from her Department for coal tip safety and remediation work as part of the Spending Review 2025. (59835)

Questions for Answer on Thursday 19 June

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what (a) appeal and (b) review mechanism is available to hyperbaric oxygen therapy providers who wish to challenge the outcome of the recent NHS England commissioning process. (59788)
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Questions for Answer on Friday 20 June

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he has made an assessment of the potential financial impact of applying the Government commercial function terms and conditions of employment to the wider civil service. (59957)
- 2N **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the Comprehensive Spending Review 2025, what estimate he has made of the number of new Quasi-Autonomous Non-Governmental Organisations which will be created. (59960)
- 3N **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he has made representations to the Chancellor of the Exchequer on the monetary value of VAT registration thresholds. (59963)
- 4N **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what recent discussions he has had with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on the potential impact of tax reliefs for research and development on economic growth. (59964)
- 5N **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the cost pressures faced by local authorities in providing statutory services. (59965)

Questions for Answer on Monday 23 June

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the time series trends are of the proportion of entrants for (a) GCSEs and (b) other public examinations that use a method other than hand writing for any written, as opposed to practical or coursework, assessment for (i) special educational need or disability reasons and (ii) other reasons from the earliest year for which data are available. (59730)
- 2N **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the situation of the Armenian community in Jerusalem. (59777)
- 3N **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will send a formal delegation to (a) Israel and (b) the Occupied Palestinian Territories to (i) visit the Armenian Quarter of Jerusalem, (ii) meet the Armenian community and (iii) meet with the Save the Arq movement. (59778)

- 4N **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of the intimidation against Armenian Christians in Jerusalem; and whether his Department plans to take steps to help preserve their presence in the Old City of Jerusalem. (59779)
- 5N **Paula Barker** (Liverpool Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has made recent representations to his Israeli counterpart on (a) threats and (b) attempts by Israeli settlers to forcibly take over parcels of land in (i) Goverou Bardez and (ii) other parts of the Armenian Quarter of the Old City of Jerusalem. (59780)