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Questions tabled on Thursday 23 October 2025

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Questions for Answer on Monday 27 October

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps his Department is taking to improve public preparedness for emergencies. (84661)
- 2 **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the proposed mandatory enrolment in a digital ID system on the rights of (a) individuals and (b) business under the Good Friday Agreement in Northern Ireland. (84795)
- 3N **Sir Bernard Jenkin** (Harwich and North Essex): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if the Government will investigate the source of internal Government briefings on the future of the Cabinet Secretary and Head of the Civil Service; and if the Prime Minister will make a statement. [Transferred] (84133)
- 4 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how questions were provided to the Prime Minister in advance of Prime Minister's questions since 5 July 2025, broken down by party. [Transferred] (84443)
- 5 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will make it his policy to (a) initiate and (b) publish the findings of an emergency census in 2026. (84770)
- 6 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what was the total civil service Equality, Diversity and Inclusion expenditure for the 2023-24 financial year. (84581)

- 7 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what was the total civil service Equality, Diversity and Inclusion expenditure in the 2024-25 financial year. (84582)
- 8 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what was the total civil service external expenditure on Equality, Diversity and Inclusion in the 2023-24 financial year. (84583)
- 9 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what was the total civil service external expenditure on Equality, Diversity and Inclusion in the 2024-25 financial year. (84584)
- 10 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the outage of Amazon Web Services in October 2025 on Government web services. (84722)
- 11 **David Chadwick** (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to secure UK-specific country quotas for steel exports under the European Commission's proposed import quota system. (84859)
- 12 **David Chadwick** (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing steel import quotas to ensure that 60 per cent of steel used in the UK is made by domestic producers. (84861)
- 13 **Dr Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of Ofcom's financial penalties in improving Royal Mail's ability to meet its performance targets; and if he will take steps to ensure that future fines are reinvested to increase (a) staffing levels and (b) service quality within Royal Mail rather than being paid into the Consolidated Fund. (84882)
- 14 **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what proportion of Companies House identity verifications have used (a) assisted and (b) non-digital routes since 1 April 2025; and what assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of the accessibility of those routes. (84854)
- 15 **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps Companies House is taking to support (a) micro companies and (b) residents' management companies with volunteer directors to complete its identity verification before 18 November 2025. (84856)
- 16 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the UK-US trade deal on bioethanol imports on the UK's sustainable aviation fuel sector. (84694)

- 17 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of workplace (a) guidance and (b) protections for employees experiencing menopausal symptoms; and if his Department will issue new guidance to (i) small and medium-sized enterprises and (ii) other employers on reasonable adjustments. (84831)
- 18 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of establishing a compensation fund for workers unable to recover tribunal awards due to employer insolvency. (84606)
- 19 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether his Department has considered bringing forward legislative proposals to make company directors personally liable for unpaid employment tribunal awards. (84607)
- 20 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether his Department plans to give the Fair Work Agency powers to pursue company directors where a company has failed to pay a tribunal award. (84608)
- 21 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether his Department has considered introducing restrictions on directors who repeatedly preside over companies that fail to comply with tribunal judgments. (84609)
- 22 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many employment tribunal awards have been made each year since 2016; and what proportion of those have been (a) paid in (i) full and (ii) part and (b) remain unpaid. (84610)
- 23 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether his Department (a) collects and (b) publishes data on the outcomes of employment tribunal enforcement actions taken under (i) the employment tribunal penalty enforcement scheme, (ii) employment tribunal fast track enforcement and (iii) county court judgments. (84611)
- 24 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether his Department plans to take steps to improve its monitoring of tribunal award payments to ensure employer compliance. (84612)
- 25 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of the proposed budget for the Fair Work Agency for tackling non-payment of tribunal awards. (84613)

- 26 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how his Department expects the Fair Work Agency to coordinate with (a) HMRC, (b) the Insolvency Service and (c) other existing enforcement bodies to ensure workers receive unpaid awards. (84614)
- 27 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that workers are informed about the enforcement options available to recover unpaid tribunal awards. (84615)
- 28 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what criteria his Department is using to select locations for AI Growth Zones. (84751)
- 29 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to improve services for young people in South Shropshire constituency. (84728)
- 30 **Imran Hussain** (Bradford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to encourage the use of (a) quieter (i) fireworks and (ii) drone shows and (b) other low-impact alternatives at public events. (84687)
- 31 **Jo Platt** (Leigh and Atherton): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to help increase the number of companies making charitable donations. [Transferred] (84330)
- 32 **Jo Platt** (Leigh and Atherton): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department plans to take steps to help encourage companies to give more to charity. [Transferred] (84331)
- 33 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what criteria her Department used to select the delivery areas for the Know Your Neighbourhood Fund; and how often the list of delivery areas is reviewed. (84761)
- 34 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, which towns will be eligible to bid for the UK Town of Culture; and what criteria will be used to define what a town is for the purposes of the competition. (84762)
- 35 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make it her policy to restore the academy conversion support grant. (84727)
- 36 **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will meet with Esther Ghey to discuss her campaign for a statutory ban on mobile phones in schools. (84855)
- 37 **Paul Davies** (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of increases in investment in wraparound childcare for school-aged children on (a) the economy and (b) civil society. (84866)

- 38 **Paul Davies** (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what evidence her Department has on the number of parents unable to (a) increase their working hours and (b) return to work due to limited access to (i) affordable and (ii) reliable out-of-school childcare. (84868)
- 39 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the adequacy of training provided to school staff on assisting children who have epilepsy. (84624)
- 40 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to support schools to provide practical science activities as part of their curriculum. (84659)
- 41 **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to regulate the use of supply teacher agencies by schools, including (a) measures to ensure fair pay, (b) pension access, and (c) transparency in agency fees. (84575)
- 42 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of the reforms to penalty notices for unauthorised school absences made in August 2024 on levels of unauthorised absence; and whether she plans to introduce further measures to help reduce term-time absences. (84758)
- 43 **Dr Caroline Johnson** (Sleaford and North Hykeham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many and what proportion of children receiving education in state funded special schools were born abroad. (84627)
- 44 **Dr Caroline Johnson** (Sleaford and North Hykeham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many and what proportion of children with education, health and care plans were born abroad. (84628)
- 45 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what guidance her Department provides to schools on obtaining parental consent before children participate in classroom sessions involving external speakers discussing their personal experiences of (a) irregular and (b) illegal migration. (84807)
- 46 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what oversight her Department exercises over academy trusts that invite external speakers to address pupils on politically sensitive issues. (84808)
- 47 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what discussions her Department has had with the Quality First Education Trust regarding (a) classroom sessions and (b) external speaker events addressing (i) migration and (ii) asylum issues in the 2024/25 academic year. (84809)

- 48 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if her Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of standardising complaint procedures for (a) schools and (b) trusts to ensure that (i) parents and (ii) guardians have the same opportunity to access those procedures. (84888)
- 49 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if her Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of assessing (a) schools' and (b) trusts' complaint procedures to ensure that the complaint process is adequately (i) accessible and (ii) understandable. (84889)
- 50 **Catherine McKinnell** (Newcastle upon Tyne North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she is taking steps to include schools in the Erasmus+ programme. (84577)
- 51 **Catherine McKinnell** (Newcastle upon Tyne North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what contingency plans his Department has in place to support schools during the transition period from the Turing Scheme to Erasmus+. (84578)
- 52 **Catherine McKinnell** (Newcastle upon Tyne North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to ensure that Turing grants to schools take into consideration the additional costs of (a) travel, (b) appropriate (i) clothing and (ii) equipment and (c) other items for children and young people. (84579)
- 53 **Catherine McKinnell** (Newcastle upon Tyne North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to reduce the risk of schools in disadvantaged areas excluding pupils from Turing Scheme-funded excursions due to the cap on funding. (84580)
- 54 **Catherine McKinnell** (Newcastle upon Tyne North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to support schools in disadvantaged areas with applications to the Turing scheme; and what assessment she has made of the trends in the level of concern that the current design of the application process incentivises schools to outsource applications to profit-making enterprises. (84598)
- 55 **Catherine McKinnell** (Newcastle upon Tyne North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she is taking steps to simplify the process for Turing Scheme applications for schools. (84599)
- 56 **Melanie Onn** (Great Grimsby and Cleethorpes): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what discussions her Department had with teachers on the removal of the application window for the 2024–25 Student Finance England teacher student loan reimbursement scheme to March 2026, and what assessment she has made of the potential impact of this change on teachers' (a) cash flow and (b) financial wellbeing. (84650)
- 57 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to support schools in managing persistent complaints referred to external bodies without being resolved through schools internal procedures in Surrey Heath constituency. (84823)

- 58 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of updating guidance for (a) schools and (b) inspectorates on handling complaints that are escalated without first being considered under published complaints policies. (84824)
- 59 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of repeated external investigations on staff (a) wellbeing and (b) retention in small special educational needs schools in Surrey Heath constituency. (84825)
- 60 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to support schools in managing reputational issues from (a) repeated and (b) unsubstantiated complaints in Surrey Heath constituency. (84826)
- 61 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if her Department will take steps to recognise the (a) work and (b) contributions of staff in special educational needs schools in Surrey Heath constituency. (84827)
- 62 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment her Department has made of the adequacy of the income thresholds for eligibility for free school meals. (84767)
- 63 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many children in Lancashire were eligible for free school meals in each of the last five years. (84768)
- 64 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent estimate she has made of the proportion of pupils in Fylde constituency who are eligible for free school meals but do not take them. (84769)
- 65 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the effectiveness of play-based (a) learning and (b) teaching as part of the (i) early years and (ii) Key Stage 1 curricula. [R] (84632)
- 66 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department has issued guidance to universities on admissions based on the socio-economic background of the applicant. (84664)
- 67 **Charlotte Cane** (Ely and East Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, pursuant to the Answer of 20 October 2025 to Question 80134 on Fuel Poverty: Ely and East Cambridgeshire, if he will make an assessment of trends in the level of fuel poverty in Ely and East Cambridgeshire constituency in 2024. (84891)
- 68 **Richard Foord** (Honiton and Sidmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps he is taking to support self-catering businesses in making changes to properties to comply with Minimum Energy Efficiency Standards. (84737)

- 69 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he plans to accept the recommendation by the Office of Value for Money to lay a Command Paper with a Strategy and Delivery Plan for specific mega projects before Parliament. (84657)
- 70 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he has a completion date for Sizewell C. (84658)
- 71 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to support prepayment meter customers unable to access (a) heating and (b) power. (84832)
- 72 **Catherine McKinnell** (Newcastle upon Tyne North): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what discussions he has had with Ofgem on the adequacy of its counter-fraud policies, in the context of the National Audit Office's report titled Energy efficiency installations under the Energy Company Obligation, published on 14 October 2025. (84618)
- 73 **Catherine McKinnell** (Newcastle upon Tyne North): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps he is taking to review (a) regulations and (b) consumer protections through the Warm Homes Plan. (84619)
- 74 **Dr Simon Opher** (Stroud): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, pursuant to the Answer of 21 October 2025 to Question 82020 on Energy: Buildings, what estimate his Department has made of the potential impact of the (a) Warm Homes: Social Housing Fund, (b) Warm Homes: Local Grant and (c) Boiler Upgrade Scheme on (i) energy bills, (ii) carbon emissions (A) to date and (B) in each of the next three years and (iii) the nationally determined contributions target for 2030. (84803)
- 75 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to page 91 of his Department's Annual Report and Accounts 2024-25, published on 15 September 2025, HC 1274, for what reason was facility time increased from £49,777 in 2023-24 to £69,892 in 2024-25; what was the increase in facility time as a proportion of the pay bill; and what assessment he has made of the potential merits of funding trade union activities from facility time. (84663)
- 76 **Claire Young** (Thornbury and Yate): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to help tackle the promotion of fraudulent energy saving products. [Transferred] (84460)
- 77 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps she is taking to help improve farm safety. (84731)
- 78 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to help support small abattoirs. (84732)

- 79 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will publish the evidence used by his Department to inform its policy on burning on peatlands. (84736)
- 80 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she plans to create a national inventory to (a) capture and (b) report sources of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances. (84652)
- 81 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she plans to establish new statutory action standards for PFAS in drinking water. (84653)
- 82N **Paulette Hamilton** (Birmingham Erdington): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps she is taking with Cabinet colleagues to assess the potential impact of climate-related risks to (a) health, (b) infrastructure and (c) the economy on the Government's (i) policies and (ii) spending plans. [Transferred] (84283)
- 83 **Imran Hussain** (Bradford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of high-decibel fireworks on animal welfare; and what assessment she has made of the potential merits of introducing a maximum noise limit for fireworks sold to the public. (84685)
- 84 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she plans to take steps to help support the work of the Staffordshire Wildlife Trust. (84894)
- 85 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether officials in her Department have had (a) meetings and (b) correspondence with (i) the Carbon Trust, (ii) MyEmissions, (iii) Raynor Foods Ltd. and (iv) UK food retailers on the (A) development and (B) testing of (1) carbon scores and (2) carbon ratings on food packaging. (84789)
- 86 **Brian Mathew** (Meksham and Devizes): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of enriched cages on laying hens. (84828)
- 87 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many instances of water quality breaches have been reported by water suppliers in Lancashire in the last 12 months. (84771)
- 88 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of the rural premium on rural communities. (84705)
- 89 **Luke Taylor** (Sutton and Cheam): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if she will take steps to ensure that egg production in the UK comes from cage-free systems. (84779)

- 90 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to support the mechanical recycling industry. (84814)
- 91 **Nick Timothy** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if she will meet representatives from the UK mechanical recycling industry to discuss government support for the industry. (84815)
- 92 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether her Department is paying the salary of the Second Permanent Secretary while he is on secondment to the Blavatnik School Of Government. (84665)
- 93 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the UK-EU reset agreement on the (a) use and (b) sale of precision-bred (i) plants and (ii) animals. (84666)
- 94 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what the recruitment process was for her Department's new Permanent Secretary; and whether he plans to publish any declarations of interest. (84667)
- 95 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 18 July 2025 to Question 62320 on Farm: Domestic Visits, if he will provide an aggregate and anonymised number of farm visits since 4 July 2025. (84668)
- 96 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of changes to the planned timetable for gigabit rollout on rural areas. (84725)
- 97 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps her Department is taking to help people to prepare for the digital switchover in rural areas. (84730)
- 98 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if he will take steps to produce a chemicals strategy. (84651)
- 99 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he has held discussions with the Home Secretary (a) attracting and (b) retaining talented (i) researchers and (ii) innovators through the UK visa system. (84660)
- 100 **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether his Department will engage in public consultation prior to the rollout of the digital ID system. (84790)

- 101 **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether there will be an option for company directors to (a) defer or (b) opt out of enrolment of the digital ID system. (84791)
- 102 **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether (a) exemptions of (b) alternative arrangements for the digital ID system will be offered to people resident in Northern Ireland. (84792)
- 103 **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment he has made of the potential impact the digital ID system on (a) business operations, (b) online security and (c) personal privacy in Northern Ireland. (84794)
- 104 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether OpenAI's UK data storage facilities will be subject to routine government security audits. (84754)
- 105 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that the AI Growth Lab promotes (a) responsible and (b) ethical AI innovation. (84755)
- 106 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether her Department has undertaken an equality impact assessment in relation to linking its proposed digital ID scheme with right-to-work checks. [Transferred] (84388)
- 107 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the outage of Amazon Web Services in October 2025 on the technology sector. (84721)
- 108 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure the safety of public transportation workers from (a) violence and (b) other abuse. (84785)
- 109 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what data her Department holds on trends in the level of incidents of (a) violence and (b) abuse towards public transport workers. (84787)
- 110 **Andrew Cooper** (Mid Cheshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she has had discussions with Manchester Airport on the level of that airport's (a) drop-off and (b) pick-up charges. (84901)
- 111 **Natalie Fleet** (Bolsover): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when domestic properties located in Newton purchased as part of the HS2 project will be brought back onto the property market for purchase. (84707)
- 112 **Amanda Hack** (North West Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many people hold a valid (a) provisional and (b) full UK driving licence. (84786)

- 113 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment she has made of the (a) effectiveness and (b) value for money of (i) Roadmender technology and (ii) other advanced pothole repair systems. (84688)
- 114 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate she has made of the (a) potential cost and (b) carbon savings achieved through using (i) recycled materials, (ii) graphene additives, (iii) Elastomac and (iv) other innovative road repair technologies; and whether she plans to issue updated guidance to local authorities on the wider adoption of such technologies. (84689)
- 115 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much and what proportion of Government road maintenance funding has been allocated to (a) local and (b) non-strategic roads compared with the strategic road network since 2024; and what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the funding in meeting local maintenance needs. (84690)
- 116 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate her Department has made of the total compliance cost to small and medium-sized (a) logistics and (b) coach businesses of meeting zero emission vehicle mandate requirements. (84691)
- 117 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much her Department has spent on (a) consultancy, (b) pilot, (c) communications, (d) branding and (e) marketing activity linked to net zero transition programmes in the commercial vehicle sector; how many (i) officials and (ii) external consultants are employed to administer those programmes; what the total annual staff cost is; and what assessment her Department has made of the effectiveness of this expenditure. (84692)
- 118 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 20 October 2025 to Question 78703 on Shipping: Investment, what proportion of that £448 million will be spent in coastal (a) towns and (b) cities; and what steps she is taking to ensure that funding is directed to those areas. (84696)
- 119 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 20 October 2025 to Question 78696 on Electric Vehicles: Charging Points, whether her Department has set a timetable for the completion of the installation of those chargepoints. (84698)
- 120 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 20 October 2025 to Question 78714 on Railways: Tickets, what assessment her Department has made of the adequacy of the number of participants in the Digital Pay As You Go trials in evaluating the success of that scheme. (84699)
- 121 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 17 October 2025 to Question 77643 on London Underground: Strikes, on what date that meeting took place. (84702)

- 122 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to increase opportunities for UK-US research in transport innovation by (a) the NSF–UKRI Lead Agency Opportunity and (b) other research and development programmes. (84703)
- 123 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she has had discussions with the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology on establishing a cross-government mechanism to support UK participation in international research partnerships on transport decarbonisation and sustainable mobility. (84704)
- 124 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what data the DLVA records on where a driver passed their driving test when exchanging a non-UK licence for a UK licence. (84798)
- 125 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when her Department expects passenger train services to begin operating on the first section of East West Rail between Oxford and Milton Keynes. (84763)
- 126 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department are taking to help ensure that national HGV operators hold the correct license. (84793)
- 127 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what enforcement measures her Department has to ensure heavy goods vehicles operators hold the correct license; and how many prosecutions have been brought in the last three years for operators that did not. (84796)
- 128 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what resources her Department has allocated to the enforcement of heavy goods vehicle operator licensing standards; and what plans her Department has to strengthen enforcement in this area. (84797)
- 129 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that data on (a) aircraft noise and (b) emissions from Farnborough Airport is (i) publicly available and (ii) independently verified. (84851)
- 130 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department plans to review the public safety zone around Farnborough Airport in the context of the proposed increase in flight numbers. (84852)
- 131 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of increased weekend flight operations at Farnborough Airport on the (a) wellbeing and (b) quality of life of people in Surrey Heath constituency. (84853)

- 132 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of amending Regulation 27 of the Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) regulations 2002 to remove the ability of private parking companies to purchase drivers' data for a fee. (84708)
- 133 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will bring forward legislative proposals to clarify the meaning of regulation 27 of the Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) regulations 2002. (84709)
- 134 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to Regulation 27 of the Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) regulations 2002, if she will increase the fee for (a) private individuals and (b) companies seeking drivers' data. (84710)
- 135 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to help reduce the number of private parking scams. (84711)
- 136 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 6 May 2025 to Question 48653 on Parking: Private Sector, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of local councils transferring their parking facilities to private parking companies on a) council finances and b) people parking there. (84717)
- 137 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of updating the Signs for road works and temporary situations guidance to recommend that in cases of road closures the name of the road is included in signage that says 'Road Closed Ahead'. (84756)
- 138 **Jess Brown-Fuller** (Chichester): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment his Department has made of the minimum (a) English and (b) maths requirements to complete an apprenticeship; and whether he plans to review these requirements. [Transferred] (84397)
- 139 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of reducing levels of funding for level 7 apprenticeships on the number of nurses in training. [Transferred] (84150)
- 140 **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps he is taking to increase levels of employment in North Shropshire constituency. [Transferred] (84370)
- 141 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps he is taking to ensure short courses in (a) digital, (b) AI and (c) engineering are eligible for Growth and Skills Levy funding from April 2026. [Transferred] (84474)

- 142 **Dan Aldridge** (Weston-super-Mare): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of (a) the sufficiency of the supply of covid-19 vaccines during winter 2025/26 and (b) whether there will be sufficient supply of covid-19 vaccines to meet the expected demand from people eligible for a free NHS covid-19 vaccine. (84820)
- 143 **Sadik Al-Hassan** (North Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many pharmacies in each Integrated Care Board area in England have registered to provide free Emergency Hormonal Contraception; what proportion of those pharmacies are providing that service; and how many pharmacies have deregistered from providing that service since 30 March 2025. (84874)
- 144 **Sadik Al-Hassan** (North Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans he has to monitor the provision of emergency hormonal contraception under Patient Group Directive as part of the Pharmacy Contraception and Pharmacy First Services. (84875)
- 145 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department is taking steps to help support Midlands Air Ambulance Charity. (84726)
- 146 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help support (a) innovation and (b) collaboration in improving public health outcomes in rural areas. (84729)
- 147 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help improve access to dental care in South Shropshire constituency. (84733)
- 148 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help improve access to palliative care in rural areas. (84734)
- 149 **Dr Scott Arthur** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of offering additional resources to neighbourhood teams to provide targeted interventions enabling equitable access to (a) HPV vaccination and (b) cervical screening. (84876)
- 150 **Dr Scott Arthur** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether HPV self-sampling will be less frequently than clinician screening, in the context of uncertainties in relation to the accuracy of the self-sampling test. (84879)
- 151 **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to tackle ensure that children have access to health play services in (a) children's hospitals and (b) children's wards in district general hospitals. (84858)

- 152 **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that patients with postural orthostatic tachycardia syndrome have access to (a) specialist (i) clinicians, (ii) nurses, (iii) physiotherapists, (iv) occupational therapists, (v) dieticians and (vi) clinical psychologists and (b) (A) equipment and (B) clinic space in Harpenden and Berkhamsted constituency. (84864)
- 153 **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with NHS England on including postural orthostatic tachycardia syndrome training in junior doctor specialty training programmes. (84865)
- 154 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of Pre-Visit Notifications on (a) vulnerable patients and (b) patients in care homes. (84712)
- 155 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to remove the requirement for optometrists to complete Pre-Visit Notifications. (84713)
- 156 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department holds data on the number of pre-visit notifications completed by optometrists in the last 12 months. (84714)
- 157 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether (a) he, (b) his Ministers and (c) official in his Department have held discussions with their counterparts in (i) Wales, (ii) Scotland and (iii) Northern Ireland on pre-visit notifications. (84715)
- 158 **Dr Luke Evans** (Hinckley and Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of pre-visit notifications, in the context of mandatory electronic submissions of general ophthalmic services claims. (84716)
- 159 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure that NHS contracts with hospices reflect the (a) cost of the services provided and (b) the needs of local populations. (84877)
- 160 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to reduce the amount paid by his Department in clinical negligence costs. (84878)
- 161 **Patrick Hurley** (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans he has to publish a national strategy for palliative and end of life care. (84774)

- 162 **Imran Hussain** (Bradford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has been made of the potential impact of fireworks on people with (a) PTSD, (b) autism, and (c) sensory processing conditions; and if he will set out the steps his Department is taking on this matter. (84686)
- 163 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much funding his Department has provided for community health services in (a) Newcastle-under-Lyme and (b) Staffordshire in the 2025-26 financial year. (84893)
- 164 **Dr Caroline Johnson** (Sleaford and North Hykeham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he expects to receive a formal recommendation from the UK national screening committee on newborn screening for spinal muscular atrophy. (84629)
- 165 **Dr Caroline Johnson** (Sleaford and North Hykeham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans he has to improve access to dermatology services. (84630)
- 166 **Dr Caroline Johnson** (Sleaford and North Hykeham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to implement the Getting It Right First Time recommendations on improving the (a) access to and (b) quality of dermatology care. (84631)
- 167 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will review the inclusion of hormone replacement therapy within the prescription charge exemption list. (84829)
- 168 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the (a) availability and (b) affordability of hormone replacement therapy; and what steps he is taking to reduce regional disparities in access to menopause-related healthcare. (84830)
- 169 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to support the wellbeing of staff working in A&E. (84833)
- 170 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what information his Department holds on the number of women who suffered baby loss between 2020 and 2025. (84834)
- 171 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what progress his Department has made on reducing the rate of (a) stillbirths and (b) (i) neonatal and (ii) maternal deaths in England by 50% by 2030. (84835)
- 172 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of making the National Bereavement Care Pathway training mandatory for all healthcare professionals that come into contact with families experiencing (a) pregnancy loss and (b) the death of a baby. (84836)

- 173 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that cancer patients have effective radiotherapy treatment. (84837)
- 174 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many cancer patients are waiting for radiotherapy treatment in (a) England and (b) Surrey for which the latest data is available. (84843)
- 175 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many eligible women have not had a breast cancer screening in (a) England and (b) Surrey for which the latest data is available. (84845)
- 176 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to increase NHS England's baseline number of speciality training places in (a) clinical radiology and (b) clinical oncology. (84846)
- 177 **Dr Simon Opher** (Stroud): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when his Department will publish the data on the number of patients treated in (a) corridors and (b) other inappropriate spaces. (84800)
- 178 **Dr Simon Opher** (Stroud): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department will publish regular data on patients treated in (a) corridors and (b) other inappropriate spaces. (84802)
- 179 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that children and young people in inpatient mental health settings have access to (a) regular and (b) unrestricted contact with their families in Surrey Heath constituency. (84847)
- 180 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what safeguards are in place to prevent children and young people from being placed in inappropriate mental health settings, including (a) adult wards and (b) facilities located far from home. (84848)
- 181 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to increase the availability of community-based mental health support in order to reduce the level of reliance on inpatient care for children and young people in Surrey Heath constituency. (84849)
- 182 **Anna Sabine** (Frome and East Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of the report by the Patient Safety Commissioner entitled The Hughes Report: Options for redress for those harmed by valproate and pelvic mesh, published on 7 February 2024.

[Transferred] (84531)

- 183 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds Central and Headingley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether multi-year revenue funding for children's hospices will go to (a) regional and (b) local ICBs. (84788)
- 184 **Martin Vickers** (Brigg and Immingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the suicide prevention training provided to ambulance staff. (84573)
- 185 **Martin Vickers** (Brigg and Immingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the support available to ambulance staff who attend traumatic callouts. (84574)
- 186 **Martin Vickers** (Brigg and Immingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of collecting data on the number of attempted suicides attended by ambulance staff. (84585)
- 187 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she had made of the potential impact of the Amazon Web Services outage in October 2025 on NHS services. (84724)
- 188 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has had discussions with the Secretary of State for the Home Department on granting support for Indefinite Leave to Remain for international medical graduates who have completed their training. (84748)
- 189 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the white paper entitled Restoring control over the immigration system, published on 12 May 2025, on the adequacy of (a) the supply of trainee GPs and (b) levels of access to primary care services. (84749)
- 190 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing an investment standard for general practice. (84752)
- 191N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make it her Department's policy to utilise frozen Libyan assets to compensate victims of Libyan-sponsored IRA terrorism. [Transferred] (84151)
- 192 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what volume of UK aid has been successfully delivered to Gaza in the last six months. (84625)

- 193 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the answer of 22 January 2025, to Question 23786, on Chinese Embassy: Planning Permission, if he will publish the (a) minutes and (b) meeting notes for the meetings attended by FCDO officials 4 July 2024. (84626)
- 194 **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions she has had with her Pakistani counterparts on the attack on the Ahmadiyya community at Bait-ul-Mahdi Mosque in Rabwah on 10 October 2025. [R] (84649)
- 195 **Ayoub Khan** (Birmingham Perry Barr): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure Israel complies with its obligation to facilitate the activities of (a) the United Nations Relief and Works Agency and (b) other UN agencies. (84883)
- 196 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds Central and Headingley): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of supporting the call for the renewal of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara mandate. (84813)
- 197 **Sammy Wilson** (East Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for her policies of the attack on the Ahmadiyya Muslim community in Village Piro Chak, Pakistan, on 28 September 2025; and whether she has had discussions with her Pakistani counterpart on this matter. (84572)
- 198 **Dr Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the effectiveness of the Security Industry Authority's (SIA) (a) licensing and (b) training requirements in ensuring that private security staff are appropriately (i) qualified and (ii) competent to manage safety and security risks; and what steps her Department is taking to ensure that SIA-approved training providers are effectively monitored to (A) prevent malpractice and (B) uphold training standards. (84890)
- 199N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of increases in requirements for (a) visa approvals and (b) course enrolments on the higher education sector. [Transferred] (83913)
- 200 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps is she taking to prevent irregular migrants who have been removed under the UK-France Agreement on the Prevention of Dangerous Journeys, published on 5 August 2025, from returning to the UK. (84567)

- 201 **Imran Hussain** (Bradford East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent assessment she has made of the adequacy of current legislation governing the (a) sale and (b) use of fireworks in England and Wales. (84682)
- 202 **Imran Hussain** (Bradford East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what plans she has to increase the powers of (a) local authorities and (b) the police to (i) enforce firework regulations and (ii) respond to public complaints. (84683)
- 203 **Imran Hussain** (Bradford East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of banning unlicensed traders from selling fireworks to the public during specific festive periods. (84684)
- 204 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of creating a cross-party commission to progress the public inquiry into group-based child sexual exploitation and abuse. (84775)
- 205 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether people who have entered the UK under the Gaza medical evacuation scheme have recourse to non-medical public funds. (84801)
- 206 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 21 October to Question 81590 on Medical Treatments: Gaza, whether routes for (a) extension and (b) variation of leave have been specified under the Immigration Rules. (84804)
- 207 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department has made of the potential merits of reducing the proposed qualifying period for Indefinite Leave to Remain for (a) nurses, (b) doctors and (c) other NHS workers in Surrey Heath constituency. (84822)
- 208 **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will take steps to prevent police officers under investigation from (a) resigning and (b) retiring before disciplinary proceedings are completed. (84744)
- 209 **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent assessment she has made of trends in the level of public confidence in police handling of complaints; and whether she plans to strengthen accountability mechanisms to improve that trust. (84746)
- 210 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what discussions she has had with police forces on the adequacy of their capacity to investigate complex fraud cases. (84760)
- 211 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to ensure that reports of fraudulent company registrations made to Action Fraud are treated as criminal matters. (84766)

- 212 **Martin Vickers** (Brigg and Immingham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the suicide prevention training provided to police staff. (84586)
- 213 **Martin Vickers** (Brigg and Immingham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of collecting data on the number of callouts police attend to (a) attempted suicides and (b) suicides in progress. (84587)
- 214 **Martin Vickers** (Brigg and Immingham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department has made of the adequacy of support available to police who attend callouts to attempted suicides. (84588)
- 215 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has held discussions with the Secretary of State for Education on the availability of state school places for children of armed forces personnel. (84654)
- 216 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has held discussions with the Secretary of State for Education on the availability of state school places for children of armed forces personnel who are relocated during the academic year. (84655)
- 217 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what estimate he has made of the average cost of an individual school place in a UK private school for a child of service personnel since the introduction of VAT on school fees. (84656)
- 218 **David Chadwick** (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of changes in the UK's steelmaking capacity on the UK's (a) defence and (b) critical infrastructure. (84862)
- 219 **Alex Easton** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what investigation was carried out into the incidents involving the Full Authority Digital Engine Control (FADEC) system that caused the replacement of a Chinook helicopter's number 1 engine on arrival at RAF Odiham in April 1994 and the subsequent replacement of that engine five days later following a second FADEC incident. (84821)
- 220 **Alex Easton** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what data his Department holds on the reasons for passengers travelling on the Chinook Mk2 aircraft involved in the Mull of Kintyre crash in 1994. (84880)
- 221 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will set out the labelling requirements that apply at point-of-sale in Defence Academy catering outlets to identify halal-certified meat; and whether customers are informed when certification involves specific slaughter methods. (84810)

- 222 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact on (a) the unit price (b) the supply chain and (c) wastage of supplying halal-certified meat by default at the Defence Academy. (84898)
- 223 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what (a) animal welfare and (b) assurance standards are required of halal-certified meat supplied at the Defence Academy; whether stunning is mandated; and which certification bodies are recognised. (84899)
- 224 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what (a) audit and (b) traceability checks are conducted to verify halal (i) certification and (ii) segregation in the Defence Academy catering supply chain; and how often compliance is reviewed. (84900)
- 225 **James MacCleary** (Lewes): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many break-ins were detected at British Army bases in the UK in each year since 2022. (84895)
- 226 **James MacCleary** (Lewes): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many break-ins were detected at Royal Navy bases in the UK in each year since 2022. (84896)
- 227 **James MacCleary** (Lewes): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many break-ins were detected at Royal Air Force bases in the UK in each year since 2022. (84897)
- 228 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of poor dental health among (a) applicants, (b) recruits and (c) armed forces personnel on the UK's defence capability. (84838)
- 229 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what information his Department holds on the number of working days of armed forces personnel lost due to dental issues in each of the last 10 years. (84839)
- 230 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what information his Department holds on the 10 most common medical conditions that kept British armed forces personnel from being deployed in the latest year for which data is available. (84840)
- 231 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what progress his Department has made on talks with the EU on joining Security Action for Europe. (84841)
- 232 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what his Department's timetable is for implementation discussions on (a) establishing an Administrative Arrangement with the European Defence Agency and (b) ensuring the UK's participation in projects that fall under the EU's Permanent Structured Cooperation mechanism. (84842)

- 233 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department is taking to help support the Wessex Reserve Forces and Cadets Association. (84719)
- 234 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent discussions her Department has had with relevant stakeholders on (a) the Armed Forces Covenant and (b) the Defence Employer Recognition Scheme. (84720)
- 235 **Gideon Amos** (Taunton and Wellington): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether he plans to ensure that (a) high-quality (i) landscape design and (ii) green infrastructure proposed in planning applications are protected during construction and (b) long-term funding models for (A) management and (B) maintenance are provided through the planning process. (84871)
- 236 **Gideon Amos** (Taunton and Wellington): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps his Department plans to take to help ensure that new towns adopt approaches that incorporate (a) high-quality and (b) environmentally resilient green places. (84872)
- 237 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps he is taking to help ensure protections are in place for the provision of (a) sports, (b) physical activity and (b) green spaces in the consideration of planning applications. (84735)
- 238 **Dr Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, when he plans to implement the Future Homes Standard. (84892)
- 239 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 17 October 2025 to Question 77558 on Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government: Aviation, whether his Department has a policy on undertaking domestic flights where direct train journeys are available. (84596)
- 240 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 13 October 2025 to Question 77535 on Business Premises: Rents, what the names were of those (a) industry experts and (b) representatives of the retail, hospitality, and property sectors. (84597)
- 241 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 13 October 2025 to Question 77557 on Electoral Commission, which parts of the Strategy and Policy Statement do not reflect his priorities. (84633)

- 242 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to his Department's press release entitled Communities to seize control over high streets and restore pride, published on 24 September 2025, what his definition is of a fake barber; and how he plans to block them. (84634)
- 243 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 13 October 2025 to Question 77635 on English Devolution and Community Empowerment Bill, which organisations (a) supported and (b) did not support changing the electoral system to Supplementary Vote. (84635)
- 244 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 13 October 2025 to Question 77627 on Eden Project: Morecambe, whether he plans to allocate £100 million to the Eden Project North. (84636)
- 245 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 13 October 2025 to Question 77556 on Electoral Register, what user research he has commissioned; and from which organisations. (84637)
- 246 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what the annual cost will be of the draft Local Government Pension Scheme (Fair Deal) Regulations 2026. (84638)
- 247 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to paragraph 24 of his Department's policy paper entitled Pride in Place Strategy, published on 25 September 2025, whether the allocation of funding for the 75 places will differ from the (a) 169 places and (b) Pride in Place Impact Fund. (84639)
- 248 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 13 October 2025 to Question 77627 on Eden Project: Morecambe, what the (a) £6.3 million and (b) £10.8 million will be spent on. (84640)
- 249 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department has issued guidance to local authorities on the access of journalists to council proceedings. (84641)
- 250 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the press release entitled Communities to seize control over high streets and restore pride, published on 24 September 2025, whether the funding will involve a bidding programme. (84642)

- 251 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many national significant infrastructure planning decisions have been made (a) within and (b) outside the statutory time frame in this Parliament; how many applications have been made but not yet had a decision; and what estimate his Department has made of the number that would be needed to be approved each year to meet the Government's target. (84643)
- 252 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the press release entitled Communities to seize control over high streets and restore pride, published on 24 September 2025, whether the Pride in Place funding replaces an existing funding stream. (84644)
- 253 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what guidance his Department has issued to local authorities on how many bedrooms should be provided to benefit claimants with children. (84645)
- 254 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what reporting his Department has received under Schedule 3 of the Management Information of the Housing Investment Fund Facility Agreement from the (a) City of Manchester Council and (b) Greater Manchester Combined Authority. (84646)
- 255 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of early voting pilots on turnout. (84647)
- 256 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 15 October 2025 to Question 73798 on Disinformation and Radicalism, if he will publish the most recent report from the National Community Tensions Scheme. (84648)
- 257 **Peter Lamb** (Crawley): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if he will take steps to consider the potential merits of a statutory code of conduct for local government councillors. (84873)
- 258 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether his Department holds information on the amount spent by Harrow Council on (a) No spitting signage and (b) related Public Space Protection Order enforcement campaigns since January 2024. (84799)
- 259 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, which local authorities have (a) received and (b) are housing (i) individuals and (ii) families evacuated from Gaza. (84805)
- 260 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what funding his Department has made available to local authorities for (a) housing (b) other support to Gazan evacuees. (84806)

- 261 **Catherine McKinnell** (Newcastle upon Tyne North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will reform the current council tax system to reduce localised disparities in property valuations. (84616)
- 262 **Catherine McKinnell** (Newcastle upon Tyne North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what discussions he has had with Valuation Office Agency on its policy not to review the council tax bandings of multiple properties in one request. (84617)
- 263N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps he is taking to encourage economic growth in market towns in North Shropshire constituency. [Transferred] (84369)
- 264 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of reducing biodiversity net gain requirements on (a) local wildlife habitats and (b) environmental resilience in Surrey. (84867)
- 265 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps he is taking to help ensure that reviews to biodiversity net gain requirements for small housing developments maintain (a) local democratic oversight and (b) environmental protection standards in Surrey. (84869)
- 266 **Martin Vickers** (Brigg and Immingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of suicide prevention training provided to fire and rescue staff. (84589)
- 267 **Martin Vickers** (Brigg and Immingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of support available to fire and rescue services who attend callouts to attempted suicides. (84590)
- 268 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 23 April 2025 to Question 45236 on Parking: Private Sector, what meetings he has had with private parking companies between June and October 2025. (84718)
- 269 **Ben Maguire** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether his Department plans to legislate to protect the rights of children to communicate with (a) grandparents and (b) others members of extended family in cases where (i) one and (ii) both parents seek to prevent such contact. (84887)
- 270 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps his Department is taking to improve the enforcement regime for payment of awards made in the employment tribunal. (84600)

- 271 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of the employment tribunal penalty enforcement scheme in ensuring payment of awards since 2016. (84601)
- 272 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many claimants who have used the employment tribunal penalty enforcement scheme since 2016 have received (a) full and (b) partial payment of their awards; and what the total value of (i) awards recovered for claimants and (ii) awards referred to the scheme is. (84602)
- 273 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if his Department will publish (a) the number of requests it has received from claimants for respondents to (i) fined and (ii) named under the Employment Tribunal penalty enforcement and naming scheme and (b) the number of respondents who have been (A) fined and (B) named in each year since 2016. (84603)
- 274 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that workers receive tribunal awards in cases where the respondent company has entered (a) administration and (b) liquidation. (84604)
- 275 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the establishment of phoenix companies on the number of unpaid employment tribunal awards. (84605)
- 276 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that victims are informed when offenders are released early from custody. [Transferred] (84534)
- 277 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what guidance has been issued to police forces on informing victims about the early release of offenders. [Transferred] (84535)
- 278 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many whistleblowing reports relating to HM Courts & Tribunals Service's digital systems have been received in each of the past five years. (84745)
- 279 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether the Justice Transcribe tool was developed (a) in-house or (b) in partnership with external technology providers. (84753)
- 280 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many private prosecutions were brought before magistrates' courts and Crown Courts in each of the past ten years. (84757)

- 281 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether he is taking steps to ensure that private prosecutions do not contribute to existing court backlogs. (84759)
- 282 **Alex Easton** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, whether he has had recent discussions with the Northern Ireland Executive on the introduction of neonatal care leave and pay in Northern Ireland. (84870)
- 283 **Jess Brown-Fuller** (Chichester): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of recent changes to (a) business rates relief, (b) VAT and (c) employer's National Insurance contributions on (i) small and medium-sized hospitality businesses and (ii) independent pubs and restaurants in rural constituencies. (84857)
- 284 **Mr Will Forster** (Woking): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what the status is of sanctions on Sutton Place in Woking constituency. [Transferred] (84506)
- 285 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 14 July 2025 to Question 65386 on VAT Treatment of Private Hire Vehicles, if she will publish the Government's response to the consultation referred to in that Answer. (84693)
- 286 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she plans to allocate funding in the Autumn Budget 2025 to improve access to NHS dentistry for children in West Dorset constituency. (84816)
- 287 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment she has made of the potential impact of trends in the level of heating bills on rural communities in the context of the Autumn Budget 2025. (84817)
- 288 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she plans to change farming inheritance tax reliefs in the Autumn Budget 2025. (84818)
- 289 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment she has made of the potential impact of inheritance tax changes on family farms in West Dorset constituency. (84819)
- 290 **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will take steps to reduce the number of illegal tobacco and vaping products on sale in North Shropshire. [Transferred] (84365)
- 291 **Dame Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central and West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what proportion of Israeli goods imported to the UK are from the Occupied Territories. [Transferred] (84165)

- 292 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the link between business rates and town centre economic activity in Surrey Heath constituency. (84844)
- 293 **Mark Pritchard** (The Wrekin): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will take steps with the Royal Household to establish an inventory of (a) publicly and (b) privately owned items in royal residences. [Transferred] (84147)
- 294 **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment she has made of the potential impact of including CCTV systems as rateable items on businesses. [Transferred] (84492)
- 295 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she had made of the potential impact of the Amazon Web Services outage in October 2025 on the economy. (84723)
- 296 **David Chadwick** (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, what recent discussions she has had with (a) the Secretary of State for Business and Trade and (b) representatives of the Welsh steel industry on the potential impact of proposed EU steel import quotas on (i) steel production and (ii) employment in Wales. (84863)
- 297 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, with reference to the style guide entitled Writing about ethnicity, updated in October 2024, for what reason references to travellers were capitalised. (84662)
- 298 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, whether her Department has commissioned any external research on the proposed socio-economic duty. (84669)
- 299 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, pursuant to the Answer of 3 July 2025 to Question 62348 on EHRC: Public Appointments, what interests of regulated appointees by the Governance Code on Public Appointments are required to be published. (84670)
- 300 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, pursuant to the Answer of 3 July 2025 to Question 62348 on EHRC: Public Appointments, whether he will announce to appointment on conclusion of the competition on the Public Appointments website. (84671)
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Questions for Answer on Tuesday 28 October

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Llinos Medi** (Ynys Môn): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the Nuclear Industry Association's webpage entitled NIA Jobs Map 2025, what assessment she has made of trends in the number of civil nuclear jobs in Ynys Môn constituency since 2015. (84811)
- 2N **Llinos Medi** (Ynys Môn): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of potential levels of (a) employment opportunities and (b) supply chain investment generated in the South West from the construction of Hinkley Point C. (84812)
- 3N **Graham Stuart** (Beverley and Holderness): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to ensure Ofgem's RIIO-GT3 Final Determination adequately reflects the UK's statutory energy security requirements. (84568)
- 4N **Graham Stuart** (Beverley and Holderness): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what guidance he has issued to Ofgem during the RIIO-GT3 process to ensure that operators of Critical National Infrastructure can meet the Government's resilience and security standards. (84569)
- 5N **Graham Stuart** (Beverley and Holderness): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of Ofgem's RIIO-GT3 Draft Determinations on energy security. (84570)
- 6N **Graham Stuart** (Beverley and Holderness): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent discussions his Department has had with Ofgem on ensuring that critical national infrastructure is adequately protected against evolving cyber threats. (84571)
- 7N **Ms Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the yellow legged Asian hornet on UK (a) pollinators and (b) food security; and what the role is of the National Bee Unit in helping to tackle the potential impacts of that hornet. (84591)
- 8N **Catherine McKinnell** (Newcastle upon Tyne North): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of Ofcom's delivery of its statutory duties on media literacy. (84620)
- 9N **Catherine McKinnell** (Newcastle upon Tyne North): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on media literacy. (84621)

- 10N **Catherine McKinnell** (Newcastle upon Tyne North): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, with reference to the press notice entitled New online safety priorities for Ofcom and launch of study into effects of social media on children, published on 20 November 2024, what progress has been made on research into the impact of social media use on children. (84622)
- 11N **Catherine McKinnell** (Newcastle upon Tyne North): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of legislation governing the livestreaming of violent content. (84623)
- 12N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will ask the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency to respond to the coroner's Prevention of Future Death report following the death of Kenton Beasley. (84674)
- 13N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 20 October 2025 to Question 78712 on Bus Services: Fares, what (a) modelling, (b) internal estimates, (c) tables and (d) equations her Department holds on the number of bus journeys for which passengers have paid a fare between £2 and £3 since 5 July 2024 to inform the (i) actual and (ii) projected cost of the (A) £2 and (B) £3 fare cap policy. (84695)
- 14N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to her Department's press release entitled Rail passengers in the North to benefit from simpler fares and cheaper tickets thanks to public ownership, published on 24 July 2025, which (a) fares and (b) routes will be cheaper under Great British Railways. (84697)
- 15N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 14 October 2025 to Question 77640 on Road Traffic Control: Oxford, how much income the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency has received from Oxfordshire County Council for sharing vehicle registration data relating to (a) congestion charging and (b) traffic filter schemes in (i) 2024-25 and (ii) 2025-26. (84700)
- 16N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many (a) road deaths, (b) serious injuries and (c) roadside drug-driving tests were recorded in each year since 2020. (84701)
- 17N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will ask the Health and Safety Executive to respond to the coroner's Prevention of Future Death report following the death of Graham Faulkner. (84673)
- 18N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 5 March 2025 to Question 33850 on Vaccine Damage Payment Scheme: Coronavirus, how many of the 69 cases referred to the First-Tier Tribunal were (a) successful and (b) rejected; and how many have been outstanding for more than (i) three and (ii) six months. (84562)

- 19N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when the application for a mandatory reversal of the decision of the NHS Business Services Authority with reference VAD20662 will be actioned; and for what reason it has not yet been actioned. (84563)
- 20N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many claims to the Vaccine Damage Payment Scheme for damage caused by covid-19 vaccines were received between 1 April and 30 September 2025; how many awards were made to claimants in that period; how many claims were rejected (a) through lack of causation and (b) because they were below the disability threshold; how many claims remained outstanding on 30 September 2025; and how many of those claims have been outstanding for over 12 months. (84564)
- 21N **Claire Coutinho** (East Surrey): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, which Minister has responsibility for oversight of the Nursing and Midwifery Council. (84772)
- 22N **Claire Coutinho** (East Surrey): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many times Ministers in his Department have met with representatives of the Nursing and Midwifery Council in the last 12 months. (84773)
- 23N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will ask the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence to respond to the coroner's Prevention of Future Death report following the death of Chloe Burgess. (84778)
- 24N **Damian Hinds** (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 21 October 2025 to Question 905924 on Health Services: Rehabilitation, what the percentage numbers were for causes of delayed discharge for (a) Hampshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust and (b) Portsmouth Hospitals University NHS Trust in each month of 2025. (84576)
- 25N **Dr Caroline Johnson** (Sleaford and North Hykeham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to publish the national cancer plan. (84679)
- 26N **Dr Caroline Johnson** (Sleaford and North Hykeham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to publish the NHS long-term workforce plan. (84680)
- 27N **Dr Caroline Johnson** (Sleaford and North Hykeham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the oral contribution of the Minister of State for Health of 23 October 2025 on Impact of NHS workforce levels on cancer patients, what steps his Department is taking to reduce the time taken to publish the NHS workforce plan. (84681)
- 28N **Ayoub Khan** (Birmingham Perry Barr): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure Israel's compliance with the International Court of Justice Advisory Opinion of 22

October 2025 on the Obligations of Israel in Enabling the Presence and Activities of the United Nations, Other International Organizations and Third States in and In Relation to the Occupied Palestinian Territory. (84884)

- 29N **Ayoub Khan** (Birmingham Perry Barr): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether she has made recent representations to her Israeli counterpart on the implementation of the International Court of Justice Advisory Opinion of 22 October 2025 on the Obligations of Israel in Enabling the Presence and Activities of the United Nations, Other International Organizations and Third States in and In Relation to the Occupied Palestinian Territory. (84885)
- 30N **Ayoub Khan** (Birmingham Perry Barr): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether she has made representations to her Israeli counterpart on the Knesset Bill entitled Application of Israeli Sovereignty in Judea and Samaria, 2025. (84886)
- 31N **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many asylum seekers housed contingency accommodation in Horsham District are adult males not accompanied by family members; and what proportion of contingency accommodation locations in Horsham District house asylum seekers who are adult males not accompanied by family members. (84750)
- 32N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she plans to introduce a statutory right for members of the public to access substantiated police misconduct findings. (84739)
- 33N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to improve transparency around police misconduct records. (84740)
- 34N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of establishing an independent National Police Misconduct Body to (a) collect and (b) publish data on police misconduct findings. (84741)
- 35N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent assessment she has made of the effectiveness of mechanisms for sharing police misconduct data between forces. (84742)
- 36N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many police (a) officers and (b) staff have (i) resigned and (ii) retired while under investigation for (A) misconduct and (B) gross misconduct in each of the last five years. (84743)

- 37 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of changing council tax into an annual property tax based on the capital value of the home. (84592)
- 38 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the answer of 15 September 2025, to Question 75442, on Housing: Portsmouth, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 on the Government's target to build 1.5 million houses by the end of this Parliament. (84593)
- 39 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the answer of 3 September 2025, to Question 69302, on Local Government Finance, whether his Department collates local government finance data on unspent infrastructure levy revenues; and whether his Department has issued guidance to local authorities on publishing that data. (84594)
- 40 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether his Department has issued advice on ensuring (a) community cohesion and (b) integration, in the context of Operation Raise the Colours during summer 2025. (84595)
- 41N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of the High Court Enforcement Officers Association's report entitled Possessions - Transferring Up, published in October 2025. (84565)
- 42N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will make it his policy that requests by district judges to transfer up to the High Court for enforcement should always be allowed (a) where the County Court bailiff delay locally is three months or more and (b) where it is possible that reasonable force may have to be used. (84566)
- 43N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, when his Department intends to respond to the coroner's Prevention of Future Death report following the death of Stephen Sleaford. (84672)
- 44N **Mr Will Forster** (Woking): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether her Department made arrangements to (a) maintain the property and (b) pay any outstanding liabilities following the introduction of sanctions on the owners of Sutton Place. [Transferred] (84508)
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Questions for Answer on Wednesday 29 October

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **David Chadwick** (Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he has held discussions with the European Commission on mitigating the potential impact of proposed EU steel import quotas on UK steel exports. (84860)
- 2N **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to prevent the fraudulent registration of companies using private residential addresses through Companies House. (84765)
- 3N **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will make an assessment of the risk of skin gambling on young people. (84764)
- 4N **Julia Lopez** (Hornchurch and Upminster): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether he has had recent discussions with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on the application of VAT for (a) medicines and (b) treatments provided for medical (i) trials or (ii) compassionate use under the Early Access to Medicines Scheme. (84784)
- 5N **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what government services faced disruption as a result of the Amazon Web Services outage on Monday 20 October; and what assessment her Department plans to make of the cost to the economy of that service outage. (84777)
- 6N **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how the independent review of stalking laws will engage with (a) survivors, (b) survivor organisations and (c) experts. (84706)
- 7N **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 22 September 2025 to Question 73118 on Social Security and Child Support Tribunal: ICT, whether any (a) personal and (b) sensitive information was exposed. (84738)
- 8N **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 22 September 2025 to Question 73115 on HM Courts and Tribunals Service: Data Protection, whether (a) financial penalties and (b) contract management actions were taken against any delivery partner. (84747)
- 9N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of re-joining the EU Customs Union on economic growth. (84677)
- 10N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment she has made of the potential impact of leaving the European Union on economic growth. (84678)

- 11N **Julia Lopez** (Hornchurch and Upminster): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether medicines provided free under Early Access Medicines Scheme programmes are liable for output VAT. (84780)
- 12N **Julia Lopez** (Hornchurch and Upminster): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will commission guidance from HM Revenue and Customs clarifying whether medicines supplied under the Early Access Medicines Scheme fall outside the scope of VAT Deemed Supply rules. (84781)
- 13N **Julia Lopez** (Hornchurch and Upminster): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will take steps with HM Revenue and Customs to help ensure that a(a) medicines and (b) treatments provided under the Early Access to Medicines Scheme are not subjected to (i) direct or (ii) indirect VAT. (84783)

Oral Questions to the Prime Minister

- 1 **Nick Smith** (Blaenau Gwent and Rhymney): If he will list his official engagements for Wednesday 29 October. (906071)
- 2 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): (906072)
- 3 **Jeff Smith** (Manchester Withington): (906073)
- 4 **Mr Jonathan Brash** (Hartlepool): (906074)
- 5 **Alan Strickland** (Newton Aycliffe and Spennymoor): (906075)
- 6 **Clive Jones** (Wokingham): (906076)
- 7 **Anneliese Midgley** (Knowsley): (906077)
- 8 **Ian Lavery** (Blyth and Ashington): (906078)
- 9 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): (906079)
- 10 **Sir Edward Leigh** (Gainsborough): (906080)
- 11 **Alison Griffiths** (Bognor Regis and Littlehampton): (906081)
- 12 **Graham Stringer** (Blackley and Middleton South): (906082)
- 13 **Olly Glover** (Didcot and Wantage): (906083)
- 14 **Tim Roca** (Macclesfield): (906084)
- 15 **Daniel Zeichner** (Cambridge): (906085)
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Questions for Answer on Thursday 30 October

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to help raise awareness of the reintroduction of maintenance grants. (84676)
- 2N **Shaun Davies** (Telford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when applications will open for the second round of Best Start breakfast clubs. (84782)
- 3N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, when his Department plans to publish new guidance on the Crisis and Resilience Fund. (84675)
- 4N **Darren Paffey** (Southampton Itchen): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the eligibility criteria for the shingles vaccine, and what steps his Department is taking to ensure that the criteria are clearly communicated to (a) patients and (b) general practices. (84881)
- 5N **Alex Brewer** (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will take steps to help ensure that military families looking to foster a child have adequate housing to meet the criteria required by fostering organisations. (84850)
- 6N **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, when the brownfield land release fund will be made available to councils. (84776)

Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Business and Trade

- 1 **Calum Miller** (Bicester and Woodstock): What steps he is taking to support the hospitality sector in Bicester and Woodstock constituency. (906086)
- 2 **Luke Myer** (Middlesbrough South and East Cleveland): What steps he is taking to support pubs. (906087)
- 3 **Martin Rhodes** (Glasgow North): Whether his Department held discussions with experts from the Global South as part of its review of the UK's approach to responsible business conduct. [R] (906088)
- 4 **Terry Jermy** (South West Norfolk): What steps he is taking to encourage investment in businesses. (906089)
- 5 **Henry Tufnell** (Mid and South Pembrokeshire): What recent progress he has made on implementing the Industrial Strategy. (906090)

- 6 **Sarah Hall** (Warrington South): What steps he is taking to encourage investment in businesses. (906091)
- 7 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton West): What steps his Department is taking to support high streets. (906092)
- 8 **Sally Jameson** (Doncaster Central): What steps he is taking to help support business growth through his Department's plan for small and medium-sized businesses. (906093)
- 9 **Dr Scott Arthur** (Edinburgh South West): What steps he is taking to encourage investment in businesses. (906094)
- 10 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds Central and Headingley): Whether he has had recent discussions with the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions on increasing the use of British-built cars by Motability Operations. (906095)
- 11 **Noah Law** (St Austell and Newquay): What recent progress he has made on implementing the Industrial Strategy. (906096)
- 12 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): What assessment he has made of the potential merits of implementing fair pay agreements in a range of business sectors. (906097)
- 13 **Jo Platt** (Leigh and Atherton): What steps he is taking to help support business growth through his Department's plan for small and medium-sized businesses. (906098)
- 14 **Susan Murray** (Mid Dunbartonshire): What steps he is taking to support businesses with their operating costs. (906099)
- 15 **John Glen** (Salisbury): What steps he is taking to help support specialist travel businesses. (906100)
- 16 **John Whitby** (Derbyshire Dales): What steps his Department is taking to help tackle the rise in disguised employment in the hair and beauty sector. (906101)
- 17 **Torcuil Crichton** (Na h-Eileanan an Iar): What steps his Department is taking to improve the UK's trading relationships with other countries. (906102)
- 18 **Mr Alistair Carmichael** (Orkney and Shetland): What recent discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs on the potential impact of the trading relationship with the US on the farming sector. [R] (906103)
- 19 **Euan Stainbank** (Falkirk): What recent progress he has made on implementing the Industrial Strategy. (906104)
- 20 **Oliver Ryan** (Burnley): What steps his Department is taking to support businesses in the Jaguar Land Rover supply chain affected by the recent cyber attack. (906105)
- 21 **Dame Nia Griffith** (Llanelli): When he plans to publish a steel strategy. (906106)

- 22 **Alan Gemmell** (Central Ayrshire): What steps his Department is taking to support businesses to create well-paid jobs. (906107)
- 23 **Ben Goldsborough** (South Norfolk): What steps his Department is taking to support businesses to create well-paid jobs. (906108)
- 24 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): What steps his Department is taking to help reduce barriers to growth for micro-businesses in West Dorset constituency. (906109)
- 25 **Vikki Slade** (Mid Dorset and North Poole): What steps he is taking to support the hospitality sector in Mid Dorset and North Poole constituency. (906110)

Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Business and Trade

- T1 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): If he will make a statement on his departmental responsibilities. (906111)
- T2 **Graham Stuart** (Beverley and Holderness): (906112)
- T3 **Abtisam Mohamed** (Sheffield Central): (906113)
- T4 **Michael Payne** (Gedling): (906114)
- T5 **Peter Swallow** (Bracknell): (906115)
- T6 **Claire Young** (Thornbury and Yate): (906116)
- T7 **David Davis** (Goole and Pocklington): (906117)
- T8 **Douglas McAllister** (West Dunbartonshire): (906118)
- T9 **Phil Brickell** (Bolton West): (906119)
- T10 **Gareth Bacon** (Orpington): (906120)