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Questions tabled on Friday 24 October 2025

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Questions for Answer on Monday 27 October

- Mike Wood (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 10 July 2025 to Question 63002on Department of Health and Social Care: Permanent Secretaries, for what reason the Permanent Secretary was appointed as a temporary civil servant on a SCS contract, rather than as a permanent civil servant under the provisions in paragraph 2.1 of the Permanent Secretary Model Contract.
- 2 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 13 October 2025 to Question 76822 on Jeffrey Epstein, what records Integrated Corporate Services holds of meetings between Jeffrey Epstein and Ministers in the former Department for Business, Innovation and Skills between 2009 and 2010.

 [Transferred] (84209)
- Imran Hussain (Bradford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of current legislation governing the (a) sale and (b) use of fireworks in England and Wales.

 [Transferred] (84682)
- 4 Imran Hussain (Bradford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what plans he has to increase the powers of (a) local authorities and (b) the police to (i) enforce firework regulations and (ii) respond to public complaints. [Transferred] (84683)
- Imran Hussain (Bradford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of banning unlicensed traders from selling fireworks to the public during specific festive periods. [Transferred] (84684)

John McDonnell (Hayes and Harlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of taking legislative steps to include IVF in the (a) Employment Rights Act 2010 and (b) Employment Rights Act 1996.

[Transferred] (84137)

- 7 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how much of the £10 billion investment pledged by private firms at the Regional Investment Summit on 21 October 2025 is new investment; and how much had been previously pledged.

 [Transferred] (84467)
- Fleur Anderson (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department plans to implement the recommendations in the final report by the Law Commission on Disabled Children's Social Care, published on 15 September 2025. [Transferred] (84344)
- 9 **Perran Moon** (Camborne and Redruth): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps is he taking to ensure that charging meters in residential blocks that have been incorrectly classified as commercial are reclassified. [Transferred] (84482)
- 10 **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of reducing biodiversity net gain requirements on (a) local wildlife habitats and (b) environmental resilience in Surrey.

 [Transferred] (84867)
- Dr Al Pinkerton (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps she 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.

 [Transferred] (84869)
- 12 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what criteria his Department is using to select locations for AI Growth Zones.

[Transferred] (84751)

- Martin Wrigley (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the outage of Amazon Web Services in October 2025 on Government web services.

 [Transferred] (84722)
- Luke Akehurst (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether his Department plans to (a) (i) develop and (ii) adopt a list of hazardous medicinal products and (b) require safety data sheets for finished medicines; and if he will take steps with the Health and Safety Executive to make such a list publicly available to NHS employers.

 [Transferred] (84436)

- Luke Akehurst (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make it his policy to bring forward legislative proposals to amend the Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations 2002 to ensure that hazardous medicinal products with reprotoxic effects are controlled to the same standard as carcinogens and mutagens.

 [Transferred] (84440)
- Luke Akehurst (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps he is taking to promote the use of (a) engineering controls, (b) biological safety cabinets and (c) closed-system drug-transfer devices during the (i) preparation and (ii) administration of hazardous medicinal products; and whether he plans to allocate funding to implement these controls to NHS Trusts.

 [Transferred] (84442)
- 17 **Luke Akehurst** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether he will require NHS employers to provide ongoing (a) education, (b) training and (c) health surveillance for all staff who (i) handle and (ii) may be exposed to hazardous medicinal products.

 [Transferred] (84444)
- Stuart Anderson (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps he is taking to help improve farm safety.

 [Transferred] (84731)
- 19 **Mark Garnier** (Wyre Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department plans to take to distribute funding for people not in education, employment or training through the Youth Guarantee scheme in each region.[Transferred] (84163)
- Mark Garnier (Wyre Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what data his Department uses, other than the Labour Market Force survey, to estimate the population of people who are not in education, employment or training. [Transferred] (84185)
- 21 Andrew George (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether his Department plans to (a) (i) develop and (ii) adopt a list of hazardous medicinal products and (b) require safety data sheets for finished medicines; and if he will take steps with the Health and Safety Executive to make such a list publicly available to NHS employers.

[Transferred] (84142)

- 22 Andrew George (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will review the Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations 2002 to ensure that hazardous medicinal products with reprotoxic effects are controlled to the same standard as (a) carcinogens and (b) mutagens.

 [Transferred] (84143)
- 23 Andrew George (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps he is taking to promote the use of (a) biological safety cabinets, (b) closed-system drug-transfer devices and (c) other engineering controls during (i) preparation and (ii) administration of hazardous medicinal products; and whether he plans to provide funding for NHS trusts to implement those controls.

 [Transferred] (84144)

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- 25 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what has been the cost to the public purse of the Gaza medical evacuation scheme for children.

 [Transferred] (84450)
- 26 **Edward Morello** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to allocate funding in the Autumn Budget 2025 to improve access to NHS dentistry for children in West Dorset constituency.

 [Transferred] (84816)
- 27N **Dame Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central and West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether her Department has issued guidance to financial institutions on its investment decisions in the context of the International Court of Justice Advisory Opinion on the Legal Consequences arising from the Policies and Practices of Israel in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, published in July 2024.
- Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she plans to allow legitimate cyber activity (a) necessary for the (i) detection and (ii) prevention of crime and (b) justified as being in the public interest.

 [Transferred] (84260)
- 29 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if he will take steps to simplify planning consent processes for (a) food and drink production facilities and (b) other manufacturing sites. [Transferred] (84472)
- Martin Wrigley (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps he is taking to help reduce the number of private parking scams.

 [Transferred] (84711)
- Martin Wrigley (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 6 May 2025 to Question 48653 on Parking: Private Sector, what assessment he 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.

 [Transferred] (84717)
- 32 **Catherine McKinnell** (Newcastle upon Tyne North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what discussions she has had with Valuation Office Agency on its policy not to review the council tax bandings of multiple properties in one request. [Transferred] (84617)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 28 October

- Gareth Snell (Stoke-on-Trent Central): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many and what proportion of Government Car Service cars were manufactured in the UK.

 (84943)
- 2 **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, when he plans to respond to the correspondence from the hon. Member for Runnymede and Weybridge, case reference BS35944, dated (a) 15 July 2025 and (b) 8 September 2025
 . (84960)
- 3 **Dr Scott Arthur** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to support small and medium-sized (a) biotechnology and (b) pharmaceutical companies to conduct clinical trials in the UK. (85013)
- 4 **Mr Louie French** (Old Bexley and Sidcup): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what was the change in the number of jobs in the retail industry between 2023-2024 and 2024-2025; and what assessment he has made of the reasons for the change.

 (84971)
- Mr Louie French (Old Bexley and Sidcup): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to prioritise the safety of women and girls in grassroots sport. (84933)
- Mr Louie French (Old Bexley and Sidcup): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, with reference to the Office for Statistics Regulation's review, published on 11 September 2024, of the Office for Health Improvement and Disparities's report entitled The economic and social cost of harms associated with gambling in England, published on 11 January 2023 report, whether she has had discussions with the Office for Health Improvement and Disparities on the accuracy of its report. (84964)
- 7 **Mr Louie French** (Old Bexley and Sidcup): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she has had discussions with the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care on the accuracy of the statistical analysis in the Office for Health Improvement and Disparities's report entitled The economic and social cost of harms associated with gambling in England, published on 11 January 2023. (84965)
- 8 **Mr Louie French** (Old Bexley and Sidcup): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what representations she has made to (a) the Chancellor of the Exchequer and (b) the Secretary of State for Education on (i) uprating the level of funding for the Music and Dance Scheme in line with inflation, and (ii) providing a multi-year settlement for the Scheme.

- 9 **Mr Louie French** (Old Bexley and Sidcup): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the (a) removal of the VAT exemption and (b) increase in (i) business rates, (ii) the minimum wage and (iii) National Insurance contributions on specialist (A) music and (B) dance schools. (84975)
- Jess Brown-Fuller (Chichester): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to ensure T level qualifications are (a) recognised and (b) accepted for university admissions on an equivalent basis to A Levels. (85001)
- Jess Brown-Fuller (Chichester): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to promote parity of esteem for T Level qualifications in university admissions processes. (85052)
- 12 **Jess Brown-Fuller** (Chichester): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made an assessment of the effectiveness of the system of fining parents for taking their children out of school. (85054)
- Paul Davies (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she plans to include children from low-income families not currently in receipt of free school meals in the eligibility criteria for the Holiday Activities and Food programme. (84980)
- Neil Duncan-Jordan (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what support her Department is providing to local authorities to meet the ongoing costs of SEND provision until the announcement of reforms in 2026. (85055)
- Mr Louie French (Old Bexley and Sidcup): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make it her policy to (a) uprate the level of funding for the Music and Dance Scheme by at least the rate of inflation each financial year and (b) provide a multi-year funding settlement for the Music and Dance Scheme. (84976)
- Mark Garnier (Wyre Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to help further education colleges support young people who are not in education, employment or training through (a) flexible funding arrangements and (b) supporting collaborative working with local authorities. (84908)
- Sir John Hayes (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much funding her Department has provided for the provision of English for Speakers of Other Language courses in each of the last five years. (84905)
- Rupert Lowe (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department has issued guidance to schools on ensuring that classroom discussions involving people who have entered the UK illegally do not (a) compromise safeguarding standards and (b) expose pupils to political messaging. (84978)
- 19 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department has had correspondence with Wandsworth Council on external-speaker sessions in local schools on (a) migration and (b) asylum since January 2024. (84979)

- 20 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether careers in the armed forces will be included in the Youth Guarantee. (85029)
- 21 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to ensure schools have adequate (a) training and (b) resources to support children with dyslexia. (85049)
- 22 **Dr Scott Arthur** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how much funding his Department plans to provide to (a) transport and (b) storage companies to help support their carbon capture, usage and storage business models in the next 12 months. (85000)
- 23 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will publish a lessons learned review relating to the decision of Newcleo not to pursue its investment in nuclear reactors in the UK. (84968)
- 24 **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to his Department's press release entitled Plan for wind developers to pay for skilled job training, published on 23 August 2025, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of the measures referred to in that press release on energy prices. (84969)
- 25 Dr Ellie Chowns (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when she plans to publish the River Wye Diffuse Water Pollution Plan. (85020)
- 26 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to help reduce the volume of exported plastic waste. (85034)
- 27 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether her Department plans to bring forward legislative proposals to remove incentives for plastic waste collectors to export rather than process waste domestically. (85035)
- Neil Duncan-Jordan (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if she will make an assessment with Cabinet colleagues of the potential impact of trends in the number of manufacturers using imported virgin plastic on (a) the environment and (b) revenues to the Exchequer. (85036)
- 29 Seamus Logan (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the oral contribution of the Minister for Food Security and Rural Affairs of 23 October 2025 during the Urgent Question on Fishing and Coastal Growth Fund, whether her engagement with the seafood sector included the Scottish seafood sector. (85026)

- **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she had discussions with the Scottish government prior to her announcement relating to the Fishing and Coastal Growth Fund on 20 October 2025. (85027)
- **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of bringing Thames Water into special administration. (85030)
- **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she plans to review regulations under the Animal (Low Welfare Activities Abroad) Act 2023. (85053)
- **Blake Stephenson** (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of the report by the All-Party Parliamentary Group for Rural Business and the Rural Powerhouse entitled The Rural Premium, published on April 2023. (84970)
- **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether her Department holds (a) final business cases and (b) data protection impact assessments for (i) the Gov.uk One Login programme and (ii) other digital identity schemes. (85016)
- Martin Wrigley (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of the report entitled BritCard: A progressive digital identity for Britain, published June 2025.

 (84966)
- Martin Wrigley (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether the proposed right-to-work verification system will enable the Government to monitor which employers have performed digital ID checks. (84967)
- **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make it her policy to set National Highways key performance indicators for cleaning up litter. (84953)
- Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when her
 Department plans to publish the (a) findings of and (b) next steps from its consultation
 entitled Improving car driving test booking rules, published on 28 May 2025. (84958)
- **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to increase the availability of driving tests in St Albans. (84959)
- **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether he has had recent discussions with his Australian counterpart on uprating the UK state pension for British overseas pensioners living in Australia. (85033)

- **Ruth Jones** (Newport West and Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether she plans to publish the (a) minutes, (b) outcomes and (c) performance monitoring for meetings of Lead Ministers for Disability. (84935)
- Rupert Lowe (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 17 October 2025 to Question 83176 on Universal Credit, how many and what proportion of claims were made by people with the support of a paid interpreter; and what was the the total cost of (a) translation and (b) interpretation for supporting claimants in each of the last ten years.

 (85014)
- **Dr Scott Arthur** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has considered introducing national guidance on the potential physical health risks of excessive screen time for children and young people. (84985)
- **Dr Scott Arthur** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the policy paper entitled Licensing taskforce report and government response, published on 31 July 2025, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the licensing taskforce recommendations on public health. (84986)
- **Dr Scott Arthur** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 16 September to Question 75570 on Alcoholic Drinks: Labelling, when he plans to consult with stakeholders on the best ways to communicate the necessary information on the health risks to consumers through alcohol labels.
- **Dr Scott Arthur** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he is taking steps to encourage smaller snack sizes. (84990)
- **Dr Scott Arthur** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what progress he has made on the establishment of Commercial Research Delivery Centres. (85012)
- **Aphra Brandreth** (Chester South and Eddisbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to create a pathway for NHS (a) diagnosis and (b) care for (i) hypermobile Ehlers-Danlos syndrome and (ii) hypermobility spectrum disorders.

 (85003)
- 49 Mr Will Forster (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his department will considered introducing a covid-19 booster vaccination programme for front line NHS staff. (85022)
- **Mr Will Forster** (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his department is considering extending the eligibility for the winter covid-19 vaccination programme. (85023)

- Fupert Lowe (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many staff have been recruited from overseas into Digital, Data and Technology roles within the NHS Business Services Authority since January 2023. (85017)
- Rupert Lowe (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether Digital, Data and Technology roles at the NHS Business Services Authority filled by overseas recruits since January 2023 were advertised on the (a) NHS Jobs website and (b) Civil Service Jobs portal prior to appointment.
- Rupert Lowe (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has issued (a) a national strategy and (b) guidance for NHS trusts on genetic disorders linked to consanguinity. (85019)
- Helen Maguire (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to respond to the consultation entitled Proposal for a tie-in to NHS dentistry for graduate dentists, published on 23 May 2024. (85031)
- 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 impact of estimated pressures on the NHS in winter 2025-26 on A&E staff in Epsom and Ewell constituency; and what steps he is taking to support A&E staff in winter 2025-26. (85032)
- 56 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what information his Department holds on the expected timeline for the TRANSFORM trial to produce actionable evidence to inform UK National Screening Committee policy on prostate cancer screening. (85038)
- 57 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to include policies on neighbourhood cancer care within the national cancer plan that help to reduce health inequalities. (85039)
- Helen Maguire (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to include a framework for neighbourhood cancer care within the national cancer plan. (85040)
- 59 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to include policies on improving long-term quality of life for people who (a) have and (b) have had cancer within the national cancer plan. (85041)
- 60 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure residents living (a) with and (b) beyond cancer receive (i) timely and (ii) personalised support following a cancer diagnosis in Epsom and Ewell constituency. (85042)
- 61 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what support his Department is providing to Epsom Hospital to (a) recruit and (b) retain specialist (i) cancer nurses and (ii) other cancer workforce. (85043)

- **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 hospice contracts reflect the (a) cost of the services they provide and (b) needs of their local populations. (85044)
- **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department is taking steps to provide hospices with funding to raise staff pay in line with nationally agreed NHS pay rises. (85045)
- **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people aged between (a) 60 and 70, (b) 70 and 80, (c) 80 and 90 and (d) 90 and 100 were admitted to hospital in (i) England and (ii) Surrey in 2024. (85046)
- **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking through the Modern Service Framework for cardiovascular health to reduce premature deaths from cardiovascular disease. (84912)
- Or Al Pinkerton (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social
 Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure accurate NHS public messaging on
 prostate cancer awareness is circulated in Surrey Heath constituency. (84981)
- **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 NHS health messaging is accessible among diverse ethnic communities in Surrey Heath constituency. (84982)
- **Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what data his Department holds on the number of men treated for prostate cancer in Surrey Heath constituency in 2024. (84983)
- **Mark Sewards** (Leeds South West and Morley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that people in full-time employment who have caring responsibilities can access GP appointments. (84995)
- **Mark Sewards** (Leeds South West and Morley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve access to NHS dental services for (a) carers and (b) frontline care workers. (84996)
- Gregory Stafford (Farnham and Bordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of excluding (a) household members and (b) carers from eligibility for covid-19 vaccinations on clinically extremely vulnerable people. (85050)
- Gregory Stafford (Farnham and Bordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has undertaken an equality impact assessment for the covid-19 autumn vaccination eligibility criteria for households containing clinically extremely vulnerable people.

 (85051)

- 73 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he intends to consult the Royal College of General Practitioners on a potential replacement of the Carr-Hill funding formula. (84973)
- Alex Ballinger (Halesowen): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether she has made a recent assessment of the effectiveness of the Migration and Conflict Directorate in (a) preventing and (b) reducing conflict in priority contexts; what assessment she has made of the effectiveness of that Directorate in providing analysing to the (a) UK Integrated Security Fund and (b) other programmes.

 (85009)
- 75 **Alex Ballinger** (Halesowen): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether she has considered dissolving her Department's Migration and Conflict Directorate. (85010)
- Sarah Champion (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps her Department is taking with partners to increase access to education for Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh. (84918)
- 77 **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): 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 reports of attacks on the Indigenous community of
 Cuahuayula, Mexico on 20 October 2025. (84911)
- 78 **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether she plans to support the (a) mandate
 and (b) recommendations of the United Nations Special Rapporteur on the situation of
 human rights in Myanmar. (84914)
- Alex Sobel (Leeds Central and Headingley): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the United Nation SecretaryGeneral's report to the Security Council entitled Situation concerning Western Sahara,
 published on 30 September 2025, what assessment she has made of the potential
 implications for her policies of that report; and if she will raise this matter at the Security
 Council.

 (84937)
- 80 **Sammy Wilson** (East Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions she has had with her Chinese counterpart on reports of attacks against Christian communities in eastern China; and what diplomatic steps she is taking to help ensure the protection of those communities.

 (84913)
- Dr Scott Arthur (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the policy paper entitled Licensing taskforce report and government response, published on 31 July 2025, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the licensing taskforce recommendations on anti-social behaviour.(84988)

- Dr Scott Arthur (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the policy paper entitled Licensing taskforce report and government response, published on 31 July 2025, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the licensing taskforce recommendations on violence against women and girls.
- **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that the National Crime Agency is carrying out inspections on cargo flights from the Uyghur region to ensure they are not carrying goods made with Uyghur forced labour. (84909)
- **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what information her Department holds on the number of arrests that have been made following police use of facial recognition technology. (84956)
- **Mr Louie French** (Old Bexley and Sidcup): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential economic impact of organised protests on (a) the level of tourism to London and (b) businesses in London. (84932)
- **Mr Louie French** (Old Bexley and Sidcup): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to (a) identify and (b) deport foreign nationals residing in the UK who have committed identity fraud. (84934)
- **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of setting up a licensing regime for the sale of crossbows. (84906)
- **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to stop the illegal importation of crossbows.

 (84907)
- **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Clapham and Brixton Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what protections are currently in place for police whistle-blowers reporting misconduct within their own force. (84936)
- **Max Wilkinson** (Cheltenham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to her article in The Sun on 22 October 2025, on what evidential basis she said that the UK was the destination of choice for refugees. (85015)
- **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will list the media organisations given advance sight of the Strategic Defence Review prior to its publication. (84941)
- **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will list the private sector organisations given advance sight of the Strategic Defence Review prior to its publication. (84942)

- **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what criteria were used to determine which (a) private companies and their representatives and (b) media organisations and journalists received advance sight of the Strategic Defence Review. (84944)
- **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to increase the provision of real time information on a) civilian and b) emergency services air traffic to military jets during low altitude training exercises. (84955)
- **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will take steps to compensate British servicemen who took part in sampling missions through Soviet mushroom clouds in 1961 and 1962. (84904)
- Helen Maguire (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has had recent discussions with his Spanish counterpart on allowing UK military aircraft
 (a) arriving at and (b) departing from Gibraltar to use Spanish airspace. (85028)
- **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of the restrictions on British military aircrafts (a) arriving at and (b) departing from Gibraltar on (i) military operations and (ii) financial costs to his Department. (85037)
- **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent progress his Department has made on negotiating the UK's participation in the EU's European Peace Facility. (85047)
- **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department is taking to support service personnel with SEND children. (85048)
- **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 17 October 2025 to Question 79715 on Guided Weapons: Procurement, what conditions must be met in order for FASGW (Light) to progress from initial to full operating capability by December 2025. (84991)
- **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 17 October 2025 to Question 79203 on NATO, what (a) plans and (b) capability targets have been set for the UK armed forces through NATO's Defence Planning Process.

 (84992)
- **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 17 October 2025 to Question 79390 on Armed Forces, when he plans to publish the review of future workforce requirements. (84993)
- **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what nations form the European Carrier Group Initiative. (84994)

- 104 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 16 September 2025 to Question 75194 on Planning and Infrastructure Bill: European Commission, what discussions (a) Ministers and (b) officials have had with the European Commission on (a) issues of environmental regression and (b) other issues in the Planning and Infrastructure Bill. (84920)
- Sir James Cleverly (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how much funding will be allocated to the Pride of Place programme in each of the next 10 years. (84921)
- 106 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what his planned timetable is for (a) decision on and (b) implementation of unitarisation of councils in Surrey; and whether Surrey will have an elected mayor.

 (84922)
- 107 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of banning vaping inside pubs on the economic viability of community pubs. (84923)
- 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 77561 on MHCLG: Aviation, if he will list the (a) diplomatic, (b) humanitarian meetings and (c) visits that the Minister undertook on his visit to Pakistan.
- 109 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to his Department's report entitled Initial government response September 2025, published on 28 September 2025, which of the proposed 12 new towns are supported by the local (a) planning and (b) highways authority.
- 110 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 10 October 2025, to Question 75980, on MHCLG: Travel, if he will breakdown the requested information for each month of the last six months.
- Sir James Cleverly (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 16 September 2025 to Question 74712 on Local Government: Empty Property, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of abolishing the New Homes Bonus on the number of empty homes. (84927)
- Sir James Cleverly (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 16 September 2025 to Question 76608 on Local Government: Elections, whether the information sharing gateway will include powers to share information (a) to and (b) from (i) political parties and (ii) other regulators.

- Sir James Cleverly (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 16 September 2025 to Question 75626 on Business Premises: Rents, what sources of external research were used to produce the impact assessment. (84929)
- Sir James Cleverly (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the initial Government response to the independent report entitled New Towns Taskforce, published on 28 September 2025, whether the (a) plan-making for the site and (b) outline planning permissions will be decided by (i) the Government, (ii) development corporations and (iii) local authorities.
- Sir James Cleverly (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many new homes have been completed in London in the first half of 2025.

 (84931)
- Claire Hanna (Belfast South and Mid Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, how much funding has been allocated to football
 clubs in Northern Ireland through the Community Ownership Fund. (84957)
- 117 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,

 Communities and Local Government, whether he has made an assessment of the

 potential implications for his policies of the reasons for which some people put flags on

 lampposts in the summer. (84916)
- 118 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 29 August 2025 to
 Question 68415 on Political Parties: Finance, whether he plans to bring forward legislative
 proposals relating to donors raising funds from abroad. (84917)
- 119 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 11 September 2025 to
 Question 70571 on Elections: Campaigns, whether the new imprint requirements will apply
 outside candidate-specific regulated election periods. (84945)
- 120 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, if he will publish the letter sent to the Rule 6
 participants on 16 October 2025 announcing the delay in the target date for the Chinese
 Embassy decision. (84946)
- 121 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, if he will make an assessment of the potential
 implications for his policies of the report by the Manifesto Club entitled Gatekeepers: How
 councils are controlling access to the public square, published in October 2025. (84947)

- 122 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 10 October 2025 to
 Question 69291 on Members: Correspondence, if he will (a) assign the correspondence
 letter to an incumbent Minister and (b) provide a substantive reply. (84948)
- 123 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,

 Communities and Local Government, how many hereditaments claimed Retail, Hospitality

 and Leisure rate relief in each local authority in (a) 2024-25 and (b) 2025-26. (84949)
- 124 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, whether his Department held discussions with
 representatives of political parties prior to the publication of the policy paper entitled
 Restoring trust in our democracy: Our strategy for modern and secure elections,
 published on 17 July 2025. (84950)
- 125 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, with reference to the Answer of 26 September 2025
 to Question HL9585 on Deputy Prime Minister: Admiralty House, when it was registered as
 a second home. (84951)
- 126 **Euan Stainbank** (Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, what progress his Department has made on securing the £200 million National Wealth Fund allocation for Grangemouth. (84999)
- 127 **Dr Scott Arthur** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment her Department has made of the economic impact of improving access to childcare out of school hours. (84998)
- 128 **Mr Louie French** (Old Bexley and Sidcup): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps she is taking to encourage retail businesses to return to the high street through changes to business rates. (84972)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 29 October

- 1N **Derek Twigg** (Widnes and Halewood): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, when he plans to respond to Question 78005 on Christopher Berry and Christopher Cash, tabled on 10 October 2025 by the hon. Member for Widnes and Halewood. (84915)
- 2N **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 13 October 2025 to Question 76822 on Jeffrey Epstein, what records Integrated Corporate Services holds of correspondence (a) to and (b) from Lord Mandelson relating to Sempra Commodities between 2009 and 2010. [Transferred] (84210)

- 3N **Mr Louie French** (Old Bexley and Sidcup): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what discussions (a) she and (b) Ministers have had with (a) the Secretary of State for Business and Trade and (b) other Cabinet colleagues on the introduction of a ticket resale cap since 6 September 2025. (84977)
- 4N **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if her Department a) has recently made and b) plans to make changes to the eligibility criteria for Disabled Students Allowance. (84952)
- 5N **Melanie Onn** (Great Grimsby and Cleethorpes): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of establishing one of the five proposed Clean Energy Technical Excellence Colleges in Northern Lincolnshire. (84919)
- 6N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 21 May 2025 to Question 51109 on UK Internal Trade: Northern Ireland, how many species are scheduled to have their prohibition lifted by 31 December 2025.
- 7N **Luke Taylor** (Sutton and Cheam): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if she will take legislative steps to ensure that food outlets must display their Food Standards Agency food hygiene rating. (85008)
- 8N **Alison Bennett** (Mid Sussex): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many carers have a Carer's Allowance overpayment debt as a result of breaching the earnings limit in (a) England, (b) Wales, (c) Scotland and (d) Northern Ireland (i) for which the latest data is available and (ii) in July 2025. (85021)
- 9N **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans his Department has to request that NICE begin an appraisal of the Optune Tumour Treating Fields device for the treatment of glioblastoma. (85024)
- 10N **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many patients in England are receiving treatment with the Optune Tumour Treating Fields device; and at which NHS Trusts such treatment is available. (85025)
- 11N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether ODA spending for Afghanistan will be
 ringfenced in the upcoming spending decisions. (84954)
- 12N **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion Preseli): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether she has considered the findings of the UN Secretary-General's report to the UN Security Council entitled Situation concerning Western Sahara, published on September 30 2025, including the need for independent, impartial, comprehensive and sustained monitoring; and what assessment she has made of the

- potential merits of (a) establishing an independent human rights body as proposed in the resolution and (b) requiring Morocco to facilitate visits by the OHCHR to occupied Western Sahara. (84938)
- 13N **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion Preseli): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether she has considered the findings of the UN Secretary-General's report to the UN Security Council entitled Situation concerning Western Sahara, published on September 30 2025, that the Royal Moroccan Army should refrain from building further military infrastructure west of the berm in occupied Western Sahara; and if she will make representations to the UN Security Council on this matter. (84939)
- 14N **Colum Eastwood** (Foyle): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what estimate his Department has made of the cost to the public purse of (a) legal costs and (b) other support provided to Soldier F relating to the case of the alleged murders of James Wray and William McKinney. (84961)
- 15N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps he is taking to ensure (a) transparency and (b) accountability at parish council level. (84984)
- 16N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, pursuant to the Answer of 23 October 2025 to Question 82705 on Terrorism: Northern Ireland, whether the right to anonymity is included in the other measures that will apply to non-veterans.

Questions for Answer on Thursday 30 October

- 1N **Darren Paffey** (Southampton Itchen): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment her Department has made of the potential merits of autonomous rail rapid transit for (a) Southampton, (b) the Solent region and (c) in general. (84997)
- 2N Martin Wrigley (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many PIP claimants in Newton Abbot constituency had (a) an award with a mobility component, (b) a mobility component (i) removed and (ii) reduced following a (A) decision and (B) reassessment and (c) an active Motability agreement (1) terminated and (2) not renewed in each month since January 2024.
- 3N Martin Wrigley (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many PIP claimants had (a) an award with a mobility component, (b) a mobility component (i) removed and (ii) reduced following a (A) decision and (B) reassessment and (c) an active Motability agreement (1) terminated and (2) not renewed since January 2024.

- 4N Martin Wrigley (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether his Department has updated (a) internal guidance, (b) decision-maker scripts, (c) assessor training materials and (d) scoring matrices used to assess the PIP mobility component since 1 January 2024.
- 5N **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people have had their mobility component of benefits (a) removed and (b) reduced and have (i) reported a reduction in hours worked and (ii) stopped working by parliamentary constituency since 1 January 2024. (85006)
- 6N **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of changes in mobility awards on (a) disabled people's ability to travel to employment and (b) local labour markets.
- 7N **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 23 October 2025 to Question 82947 on Banks and Community Development Finance Institutions, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for her policies of the reasons for which (a) HSBC, (b) Santander and (c) Barclays have not chosen to support work between banks and Community Development Finance Institutions to support the provision of affordable credit in the areas of highest deprivation. (84902)
- 8N **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 23 October 2025 to Question 82944 on Credit Unions, if she will publish the responses to the call for evidence. (84903)
- 9N **John Whitby** (Derbyshire Dales): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps her Department is taking to help tackle the rise in disguised employment in the hair and beauty sector.

 [Transferred] (906101)

Questions for Answer on Monday 3 November

- 1N **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what representations he has received on the development of compressed air energy storage.

 (85011)
- 2N **Ruth Jones** (Newport West and Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of migration from Employment Support Allowance to Universal Credit on care charges levied on disabled people by local authorities. (84962)

3N **Ruth Jones** (Newport West and Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps he is taking to ensure that migration from Employment Support Allowance to Universal Credit does not adversely impact disabled claimants financially.

(84963)