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Questions tabled on Monday 27 October 2025

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Questions for Answer on Tuesday 28 October

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether his 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. [Transferred] (85016)
- 2 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, 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. [Transferred] (84966)
- 3 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the proposed right-to-work verification system will enable the Government to monitor which employers have performed digital ID checks. [Transferred] (84967)
- 4 **Dr Scott Arthur** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the economic impact of improving access to childcare out of school hours. [Transferred] (84998)
- 5 **Mr Louie French** (Old Bexley and Sidcup): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, 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. [Transferred] (84974)

- 6 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, 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. [Transferred] (84905)
- 7 **Mr Louie French** (Old Bexley and Sidcup): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, 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. [Transferred] (84975)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 29 October

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Solicitor General, pursuant to the Answer of 22 May 2025 to Question 52361, whether her Department has had further discussions with the CPS on (a) the pilot scheme for Operation Soteria in CPS North East and (b) its rollout across the country. (85400)
- 2 **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Solicitor General, pursuant to the Answer of 22 May 2025 to Question 52361 on Gender Based Violence: Prosecutions, whether her Department has had further discussions on the application of the Crown Prosecution Service Domestic Abuse Joint Justice Plan to rural areas. (85403)
- 3 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 21 October 2025 to Question 74185 on Deputy Prime Minister: Admiralty House, on what date his Department informed Westminster City Council that the residence in Admiralty House was occupied as a secondary residence. (85494)
- 4 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 21 October 2025 to Question 74185 on Deputy Prime Minister: Admiralty House, whether his Department claimed single person discount for Admiralty House before August 2025. (85495)
- 5 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, for what reason the Cabinet Office annual report and accounts 2024-25, HC1372, was published in October. (85496)
- 6 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to page 35 of the Cabinet Office annual report and accounts 2024-25, published on 23 October 2025, if he will list each (a) Minister and (b) senior official who made use of the Government Car Service; and what were the greenhouse gas emissions reported for 2024-25. (85497)

- 7 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to page 67 of the Cabinet Office annual report and accounts 2024-25, published on 23 October 2025, if he will list the venues that Cabinet away days took place in 2024-25. (85498)
- 8 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to page 110 of the Cabinet Office annual report and accounts 2024-25, published on 23 October 2025, what was the business case for the increase in the number of hours of facility time compared to 2023-24. (85499)
- 9 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to page 250 of the Cabinet Office annual report and accounts 2024-25, published on 23 October 2025, what is the (a) purpose and (b) function of the Gresham Estate contract. (85500)
- 10 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to page 139 of the Cabinet Office annual report and accounts 2024-25, published on 23 October 2025, if he will provide a breakdown of the expenditure, including for individual fixtures and fittings, for the (a) refurbishment and (b) furnishing of the empty Downing Street flat; and if he will name which was empty flat. (85501)
- 11 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what recent assessment he has made of the gender pay gap for special advisers. (85502)
- 12 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to page 79 of the Cabinet Office annual report and accounts 2024-25, published on 23 October 2025, if he will name the SCS2 civil servant who breeched the business appointment rules. (85503)
- 13 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to page 86 of the Cabinet Office annual report and accounts 2024-25, published on 23 October 2025, for what reason Simon Case was given a £201,402 severance payment; and whether this payment was approved by the Chief Secretary to the Treasury. (85504)
- 14 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to page 58 of the Cabinet Office annual report and accounts 2024-25, published on 23 October 2025, if he will set out the types of personal data reported to the Information Commissioner's Office in each of the eight incidents; and if he will set what types of data were compromised in the Capita cyber-attack. (85506)
- 15 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to his Department's contract with Goaco Group Ltd, notice identifier 2025/S 000-063254, published on 8 October 2025, if he will list the countries in which subcontractor resources are now located. (85507)

- 16 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the answer of 21 October 2025 to Question 81875 on Senior Civil Servants: resignations, if he will list the Permanent Secretaries that have received severance payments for which the latest information is available. (85508)
- 17 **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to section 3 of the Government Communication Service document entitled SAFE Framework: the 4 principles for HMG brand safety, updated on 12 May 2025, what methodology the Cabinet Office uses to determine if an (a) opinion or (b) statement could be perceived as offensive to protected groups. (85509)
- 18 **Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what British Sign Language (BSL) standards are being used in (a) government and (b) public services in the commissioning of BSL AI. (85288)
- 19 **Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether British Sign Language AI procurement is subject to algorithmic impact assessments. (85289)
- 20 **Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether his Department incorporates (a) Deaf-led infrastructure investment and (b) linguistic inclusion in social value assessments for procurement. (85290)
- 21 **Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether procurement policy notes issued by his Department provide guidance on British Sign Language AI commissioning. (85291)
- 22 **Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what mechanism his Department has in place on utilising Deaf-led expertise on British Sign Language in AI procurement. (85292)
- 23 **Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps he is taking to monitor the quality of the deployment of British Sign Language AI across public services; and whether Deaf people have been consulted on that deployment. (85294)
- 24 **Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what reporting public bodies are undertaking on the (a) system performance, (b) community impact and (c) compliance with inclusion obligations of the deployment of British Sign Language AI. (85295)
- 25 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what guidance his Department has provided to special advisers on the definition of personal hospitality. (85198)
- 26 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 16 September 2025 to Question 76281 on Ministers: Redundancy Pay, when Ministers were asked to sign the waiver. (85199)

- 27 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 15 October 2025 to Question 70563 on Admiralty House: Valuation, what the valuation was; and whether each residence is valued. (85200)
- 28 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what recent progress his Department has made on protecting people from cyber threats. (85071)
- 29 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps he is taking to improve cross-Government coordination on preparedness for a future pandemic. (85072)
- 30 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he plans to change the Office for National Statistics' Annual Population Survey to a mixed-method design. (85108)
- 31 **Tulip Siddiq** (Hampstead and Highgate): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he has held discussions with the EU on waiving the need for passports for school groups visiting the UK as part of his negotiations on a youth experience scheme. (85224)
- 32 **Euan Stainbank** (Falkirk): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he has considered establishing a cross-Governmental oversight body to monitor Departmental compliance with the legal aid elements of the Public Office (Accountability) Bill. (85438)
- 33 **James Wild** (North West Norfolk): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, when he plans to provide an answer to Question 82727 on National Security Adviser: China, tabled on 16 October 2025. (85332)
- 34 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to help increase trade between the UK and Canada. (85277)
- 35 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to help increase trade between the UK and India. (85283)
- 36 **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he plans to review Investor-State Dispute Settlement provisions in UK trade and investment agreements. (85099)
- 37 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what support his Department is providing to UK companies in the (a) events and (b) logistics sectors affected by EU visa and travel restrictions under the Schengen 90/180-day rule. (85350)
- 38 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many post offices there are in each (a) constituency and (b) local authority area by (i) location, (ii) rurality and (iii) type of post office. (85204)

- 39 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether the Certification Officer has received (a) representations and (b) complaints on the elections of the Unite trade union. (85205)
- 40 **Sally Jameson** (Doncaster Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to support the hydrogen technology manufacturing sector to export (a) goods and (b) services. (85510)
- 41 **Sally Jameson** (Doncaster Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the hydrogen technology manufacturing sector on (a) investment to the UK and (b) the growth in good jobs. (85511)
- 42 **Sally Jameson** (Doncaster Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to encourage investment into the hydrogen technology manufacturing sector. (85512)
- 43 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent steps he has taken to support (a) pubs, (b) publicans and (c) the pub industry in Newcastle-under-Lyme constituency since his appointment; and what plans he has to visit a public house in Newcastle-under-Lyme constituency. (85486)
- 44 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent steps his Department has taken to improve the rights of older workers in (a) Newcastle-under-Lyme constituency and (b) Staffordshire. (85487)
- 45 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to support investment in businesses in (a) Newcastle-under-Lyme constituency and (b) Staffordshire. (85488)
- 46 **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment has been made of the potential impact of Scotland's allocation under the Fishing and Coastal Growth Fund on the development of the Scottish seafood sector's exports. (85589)
- 47 **John McDonnell** (Hayes and Harlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what the average time taken was for the Insolvency Service to investigate civil offences in the latest period for which data is available. (85065)
- 48 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to expand protections for British seafarers employed by companies registered outside of the UK. (85333)
- 49 **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to improve support for pubs in rural areas. (85401)

- 50 **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to improve support for pubs in (a) Hexham constituency, (b) Northumberland, (c) Newcastle, (d) the North East and (e) England. (85402)
- 51 **Tim Roca** (Macclesfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether his Department is taking steps with (a) Google UK and (b) other search engines to help tackle advertisements by fraudulent locksmiths. (85597)
- 52 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to allow businesses to (a) engage with and (b) support the process of drafting a free trade agreement with Canada. (85112)
- 53 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to restart negotiations for a free trade agreement between the UK and Canada. (85114)
- 54 **Gareth Snell** (Stoke-on-Trent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to (a) engage with and (b) educate postmasters on the practical implications of the potential mutualisation of the Post Office. (85260)
- 55 **Euan Stainbank** (Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many applications his Department has made to restore a company to the register under section 1029(2)(a) of the Companies Act 2006 since 5 July 2024. (85437)
- 56 **Mrs Elsie Blundell** (Heywood and Middleton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking too increase engagement of women and girls with sport in the north of Greater Manchester. (85409)
- 57 **Mrs Elsie Blundell** (Heywood and Middleton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department is taking steps to ensure section 106 funding is being used by councils in Greater Manchester to increase revenue for sports facilities. (85410)
- 58 **Mrs Elsie Blundell** (Heywood and Middleton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure that (a) developers in Greater Manchester adhere to their obligations under section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and (b) section 106 funding is used for women's sports amenities. (85411)
- 59 **Mrs Elsie Blundell** (Heywood and Middleton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she is taking steps with the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government to support local councils to make funding decisions in relation to amenities for women's and girls' sports. (85412)

- 60 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, which Levelling Up culture projects that were announced under the previous Government have since been (a) cancelled and (b) amended. (85201)
- 61 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department has issued guidance to charities on the (a) participation of and (b) provision of parallel provision for (i) older girls and (ii) women in sporting events. (85202)
- 62 **Kim Leadbeater** (Spenn Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what plans her Department has to update the loneliness strategy in the context of the Jo Cox Commission on Loneliness. (85363)
- 63 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what estimate her Department has made of the number of holiday lets in the West of England. (85079)
- 64 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, how much funding her Department has allocated to preparations for UEFA Euro 2028. (85413)
- 65 **Mrs Elsie Blundell** (Heywood and Middleton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she plans to include measures to support children in the deepest poverty in the forthcoming Child Poverty Strategy. (85408)
- 66 **Lizzi Collinge** (Morecambe and Lunesdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department has considered mandating the incorporation of the National Conditions of Service for Teachers in England and Wales 2023 into employment contracts for teachers in academies. (85552)
- 67 **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what plans she has to review her Department's guidance entitled Mobile phones in schools, published in February 2024. (85539)
- 68 **Paul Davies** (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to reform the childcare sector for pre-school children; and whether she will make an assessment of the potential merits of a long-term funding model for pre-school childcare to (a) support working families and (b) increase economic growth. (85620)
- 69 **Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she is taking steps with Cabinet colleagues to provide oversight of the monitoring of the (a) quality of, (b) adequacy of engagement with deaf people and (b) other aspects of the deployment of British Sign Language AI systems in public services. (85293)

- 70 **Ben Goldsborough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of aligning the Dedicated Schools Grant with the financial year has on schools' ability to plan budgets for the academic year. (85543)
- 71 **Ben Goldsborough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department has considered reforming allocation of the Dedicated Schools Grant to be in line with the academic year. (85544)
- 72 **Ben Goldsborough** (South Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of bringing forward legislative proposals to allow (a) local authorities and (b) schools to change the dates on which they receive the Dedicated Schools Grant. (85545)
- 73 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what information her Department holds on the proportion of food served in state schools in England that is sourced from British (a) farms and (b) other food producers. (85090)
- 74 **Sir Andrew Mitchell** (Sutton Coldfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of nursery availability on parents' ability to return to work in Sutton Coldfield constituency. (85100)
- 75 **Sir Andrew Mitchell** (Sutton Coldfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to help support the retention of (a) primary and (b) secondary school teachers in Sutton Coldfield constituency. (85101)
- 76 **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many kinship carers are registered in (a) Hexham constituency, (b) Northumberland, (c) Newcastle, (d) the North East and (e) England. (85394)
- 77 **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what discussions her Department has had with relevant stakeholders on opening Technical Excellence Colleges in (a) Hexham constituency, (b) Northumberland, (c) Newcastle, (d) the North East and (e) England. (85404)
- 78 **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to support children in kinship care arrangements in (a) Hexham constituency, (b) Northumberland, (c) Newcastle, (d) the North East and (e) England. (85405)
- 79 **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to improve support for families over the school holidays in (a) Hexham constituency, (b) Northumberland, (c) Newcastle, (d) the North East and (e) England. (85407)

- 80 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate she has made of the number of families which will receive 30 hours of free childcare in North East Somerset and Hanham constituency in 2025. (85069)
- 81 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what information her Department holds on the number of pupils who were persistently absent from school in (a) north east Somerset and (b) South Gloucestershire between September 2024 and July 2025. (85073)
- 82 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment she has made of the effectiveness of the steps she has taken to help (a) improve school attendance and (b) reduce the numbers of pupils persistently absent. (85074)
- 83N **Melanie Onn** (Great Grimsby and Cleethorpes): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the potential merits of establishing one of the five proposed Clean Energy Technical Excellence Colleges in Northern Lincolnshire. [Transferred] (84919)
- 84 **Rebecca Paul** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the Policy Exchange report entitled *In absentia parentis*, published on 24 August 2025, the Cass Review's final report, published in April 2024, and the Supreme Court judgement in the case of *For Women Scotland v The Scottish Ministers* of 16 April 2025, what guidance her Department has issued to local authorities to protect the welfare of gender-questioning children who are children in care. [R] (85610)
- 85 **Rebecca Paul** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the Policy Exchange report entitled *In absentia parentis*, published on 24 August 2025, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that local authorities have up-to-date safeguarding policies for gender-questioning children who are children in care. [R] (85611)
- 86 **Rebecca Paul** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether he has had discussions with (a) Surrey County Council and (b) Surrey Police on child safeguarding following the conviction of Stephen Ireland. [R] (85612)
- 87 **Jo Platt** (Leigh and Atherton): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the Holiday Activities and Food programme on levels of (a) food insecurity and (b) support for families during school holidays. (85306)
- 88 **Jo Platt** (Leigh and Atherton): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure sustainable funding linked to inflation for the Holiday Activities and Food programme. (85307)

- 89 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the effectiveness of academic exchange programmes between UK and Australian universities; and whether she plans to increase levels of bilateral cooperation in higher education. (85124)
- 90 **James Wild** (North West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the adequacy of funding for (a) schools and (b) colleges in North West Norfolk constituency. (85331)
- 91 **Charlotte Cane** (Ely and East Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, pursuant to the Answer of 27 October 2025 to Question 83177 on Batteries: Storage, if he will make an assessment of the effectiveness of the Planning Practice Guidance in ensuring that battery developers consult fire services. (85522)
- 92 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will set a target date for the publication of the Critical Minerals Strategy. (85155)
- 93 **Dr Ellie Chowns** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the report by Citizens Advice entitled Stepping Up: Reforming protections in the retrofit market, published on 17 October 2025, and to the report by the National Audit Office entitled Energy efficiency installations under the Energy Company Obligation, published on 14 October 2025, HC 1334, whether she plans to accept the recommendations in those reports to publish a timeline for the reform of protections as part of the Warm Homes Plan. (85562)
- 94 **Stephen Flynn** (Aberdeen South): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of including fish processing in the Energy Intensive Industries scheme. (85316)
- 95 **Stephen Flynn** (Aberdeen South): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, why (a) fish processing was excluded and (b) poultry processing was included in the Energy Intensive Industries scheme. (85317)
- 96 **Stephen Flynn** (Aberdeen South): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what interim support is available to energy intensive industries not covered by the Energy Intensive Industries scheme before the next review of that scheme. (85318)
- 97 **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, when he will introduce secondary legislation under the Environment Act 2021 for due diligence rules for forest-risk commodities. (85098)
- 98 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will list the (a) oil refineries and (b) fuel producers which (i) manufacture sustainable aviation fuel and (ii) are developing (A) second-generation and (B) advanced sustainable aviation fuel facilities. (85345)

- 99 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how much and what proportion of the average energy bill for households not in receipt of the Warm Homes Discount was allocated to support the Warm Homes Discount in the latest period for which data is available. (85208)
- 100 **Afzal Khan** (Manchester Rusholme): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps he is taking to prevent the sale of commodities produced by illegal deforestation. (85302)
- 101 **Afzal Khan** (Manchester Rusholme): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether the Government intends to support the Tropical Forest Forever Facility at COP30. (85303)
- 102 **Afzal Khan** (Manchester Rusholme): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, (85304)
- 103 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will hold discussions with businesses planning to invest in the UK under the Technology Prosperity Deal on making investments in renewable energy. (85649)
- 104 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether his Department is taking steps to encourage companies building AI infrastructure to use renewable energy. (85650)
- 105 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to align the oil and gas sector with international climate commitments. (85651)
- 106 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent progress his Department has made on preparing for COP30. (85070)
- 107 **Tim Roca** (Macclesfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking with utilities companies to protect consumers from utility account identity fraud. (85600)
- 108 **Ian Roome** (North Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent progress his Department has made on the implementation of the Local Power Plan. (85463)
- 109 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an estimate of the volume of (a) identified and (b) recoverable (i) oil, (ii) gas and (iii) coal resources (A) onshore and (B) offshore. (85125)
- 110 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, when his Department last made an estimate of the United Kingdom's (a) onshore and (b) offshore coal resource. (85126)

- 111 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an estimate of the United Kingdom's (a) identified and (b) recoverable coal resource in millions of tonnes. (85127)
- 112 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many Countryside Stewardship agreements currently in place in Buckinghamshire are eligible for the one-year extension announced in October 2025. (85530)
- 113 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate she has made of the additional hectares of farmland in Buckinghamshire that will remain under agri-environment schemes as a result of the extension to Countryside Stewardship. (85531)
- 114 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps her Department plans to take to ensure that farmers in Buckinghamshire can transition smoothly from Countryside Stewardship to the Sustainable Farming Incentive scheme. (85532)
- 115 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to measure the environmental impact delivered by extended Countryside Stewardship agreements in Buckinghamshire. (85533)
- 116 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what engagement her Department has had with (a) farming and (b) land management representatives in Buckinghamshire on the future of (i) Countryside Stewardship and (ii) related environmental land management schemes. (85534)
- 117 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of the proposed changes to environmental permitting on the delivery of new homes in Buckinghamshire. (85535)
- 118 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many housing developments in Buckinghamshire are expected to benefit from reduced permitting times as a result of the new exempt-low-risk-activity provisions. (85536)
- 119 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what monitoring arrangements will her Department put in place to ensure that environmental protections in Buckinghamshire are maintained following the introduction of the new permitting exemptions. (85537)

- 120 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions she has had with (i) Buckinghamshire Council and (ii) the Environment Agency regarding the implementation of the proposed common-sense approach to environmental regulation. (85538)
- 121 **Olivia Blake** (Sheffield Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department will take steps to (a) review and (b) increase the powers available to (i) the RSPCA and (ii) other animal welfare organisations to intervene in cases of suspected neglect. (85362)
- 122 **Charlotte Cane** (Ely and East Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she plans to ban bottom trawling in Marine Protected Areas. (85516)
- 123 **Charlotte Cane** (Ely and East Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent assessment she has made of the average cost of veterinary bills for pet owners. (85517)
- 124 **Charlotte Cane** (Ely and East Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 27 October 2025 to Question 83644 on Farmers: Mental Health, if she will commission research to review the link between agricultural workers' mental health and changes in agricultural output. (85521)
- 125 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent assessment she has been made of the potential impact of fireworks on the welfare of (a) livestock and (b) pets. (85272)
- 126 **Richard Foord** (Honiton and Sidmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if she will ensure that section 245 of the Levelling Up and Regeneration Act 2023 is not amended to reduce the level of protection for National (a) Parks and (b) Landscapes. (85365)
- 127 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 19 September 2025 to Question 76603 on Peatlands: Fires, whether (a) his Department and (b) its agencies have received representations from the National Fire Chiefs Council on that issue. (85203)
- 128 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps she is taking to promote domestic recycling. (85491)
- 129 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the impact of the plastic waste export regime on recycling figures in a) Newcastle-under-Lyme, b) Staffordshire and c) England. (85492)

- 130 **Afzal Khan** (Manchester Rusholme): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether her Department is considering proposals to introduce a national social tariff on water bills. (85301)
- 131 **Afzal Khan** (Manchester Rusholme): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help tackle deforestation. (85305)
- 132 **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions she had with the Scottish (a) fishing and (b) seafood sector prior to the announcement of the Fishing and Coastal Growth Fund on 20 October 2025. (85580)
- 133 **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the contribution by the Minister for Food Security and Rural Affairs of 23 October 2025, col 1111, on the Fishing and Coastal Growth Fund, whether her statement on promoting and supporting the seafood sector so that it can export across the world referred to the promotion of Scottish seafood by the Government. (85581)
- 134 **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the contribution by the Minister for Food Security and Rural Affairs of 23 October 2025, col 1111, on the Fishing and Coastal Growth Fund, whether the Fishing and Coastal Growth Fund allocation for England will be used to promote the (a) UK or (b) English seafood sector. (85582)
- 135 **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when Scotland's allocation of the Fishing and Coastal Growth Fund will be made available to the Scottish Government. (85586)
- 136 **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the contribution by the Minister for Food Security and Rural Affairs of 23 October 2025, col 1111, on the Fishing and Coastal Growth Fund, whether her intention to apply Pride in Place principles to the Fishing and Coastal Growth Fund in the future will result in the allocation of additional funding to Scotland. (85588)
- 137 **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the Fishing and Coastal Growth Fund on fishing exports from (a) England, (b) Scotland, (c) Wales and (d) Northern Ireland. (85590)
- 138 **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of Scotland's allocation of the Fishing and Coastal Growth Fund. (85593)

- 139 **Mr Angus MacDonald** (Inverness, Skye and West Ross-shire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to hold discussions with the devolved Administrations on supporting local authorities to transition away from the use of glyphosate-based herbicides in public spaces. (85681)
- 140 **Mr Angus MacDonald** (Inverness, Skye and West Ross-shire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of pesticide use in (a) urban and (b) public spaces on (i) public health and (ii) biodiversity. (85682)
- 141 **Mr Angus MacDonald** (Inverness, Skye and West Ross-shire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for her policies of the phasing out of pesticide use in public spaces in other European countries. (85683)
- 142 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps she is taking to ensure that nature recovery projects support (a) biodiversity and (b) community wellbeing in Essex. (85673)
- 143 **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department plans to publish a horticulture strategy. (85388)
- 144 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the progress made by her Department on improving biodiversity. (85075)
- 145 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that water companies are penalised for (a) repeated illegal sewage discharges and (b) other repeated breaches of environmental regulations. (85458)
- 146 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many water bodies are classified as failing to meet good ecological status for which the latest data is available; and what steps she is taking to help improve the quality of water in water bodies. (85459)
- 147 **Adrian Ramsay** (Waveney Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of the Aarhus Convention's Compliance Committee finding that the UK is non-compliant with the Convention on the Government's environmental targets. (85626)
- 148 **Adrian Ramsay** (Waveney Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when her department intends to respond to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee's report to the Eighth Meeting of the Parties to the Aarhus Convention on Decision VII/8s, published on 3 October 2025. (85627)

- 149 **Andrew Ranger** (Wrexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment her Department has made of the areas expected to be at risk of major flooding by 2050; and whether her Department plans to introduce measures to restrict future (a) residential, (b) infrastructure and (c) transport development in those areas. (85373)
- 150 **Tim Roca** (Macclesfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of mandatory animal welfare method-of-production labelling on animal welfare standards. (85602)
- 151 **Vikki Slade** (Mid Dorset and North Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she is taking steps with the Secretary of State for Education to reduce the usage of single-use plastics in (a) early years and (b) childcare settings. (85629)
- 152 **Bradley Thomas** (Bromsgrove): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate her Department has made of the number of people who die each year from wildfire smoke. (85525)
- 153 **John Whitby** (Derbyshire Dales): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what guidance her Department plans to issue to Material Recovery Facilities to ensure consistent sorting standards. (85653)
- 154 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps she is taking to ensure individual personal data is secure. (85669)
- 155 **Stephen Flynn** (Aberdeen South): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps her Department is taking to ensure tenants in (a) flats and (b) tenements in Scotland are included in the full fibre rollout; and whether she plans to publish a consultation on bringing forward legislative proposals to update access rules for full fibre. (85313)
- 156 **Stephen Flynn** (Aberdeen South): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether she has made an assessment with her counterpart in the Scottish government on the potential merits of bringing forward legislative proposals to allow broadband providers to access communal areas in multi dwelling units with majority owner consent. (85314)
- 157 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what recent steps she has taken to improve access to full fibre broadband in (a) Lincolnshire and (b) other rural communities. (85087)
- 158 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what recent assessment she has made of the contribution of the space industry to the economy. (85674)

- 159 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the UK Space Agency's expenditure on supporting the growth of the UK space industry. (85675)
- 160 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps she is taking to ensure that UK participation in the European Space Agency effectively supports UK interests. (85676)
- 161 **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions her Department has had with Ofcom on the cost of the per-metre charging regime for rural network builders. (85395)
- 162 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of progress on improving broadband coverage in North East Somerset and Hanham constituency. (85076)
- 163 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of reviewing the Submarine Telegraph Act 1885. (85414)
- 164 **Gareth Snell** (Stoke-on-Trent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of using post offices to (a) onboard and (b) support people impacted by (i) identity and (ii) digital exclusion in the context of mandatory digital identity. (85262)
- 165 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, which elements of the digital ID system will use One Login infrastructure; and whether she expects to undertake additional procurement for this purpose. (85441)
- 166 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, pursuant to the Answer of 13 March 2025 to Question 35864 on Broadband: Devon and Somerset, whether her Department plans to take steps to help ensure that the physical infrastructure access pricing model encourages investment by alternative network providers in rural areas. (85442)
- 167 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, pursuant to the Answer of 3 July 2025 to Question 62291 on Broadband: Newton Abbot, what steps her Department is taking to expand broadband coverage for rural communities with market competition. (85443)
- 168 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether her Department has had recent discussions with Ofcom on the costs of the per-metre charging regime to rural network builders. (85444)

- 169 **James Asser** (West Ham and Beckton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many people held pilot licences issued by the Civil Aviation Authority permitting them to fly commercial passenger flights on (a) UK-registered aeroplanes and (b) aeroplanes operated by UK-licensed airlines in each of the last 10 years (i) in total and (ii) broken down by (A) type of licence, (B) sex, (C) age and (D) ethnicity. (85546)
- 170 **Alex Ballinger** (Halesowen): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make it her policy to publish a consultation on the adequacy of fail to stop provisions in the Road Traffic Act 1988. (85556)
- 171 **Alex Ballinger** (Halesowen): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of bringing forward legislative proposals to penalise offenders who fail to remain at the scene of a serious road traffic collision. (85557)
- 172 **Alex Ballinger** (Halesowen): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of reducing the 24-hour time period allowed to report road traffic collisions. (85558)
- 173 **Alex Ballinger** (Halesowen): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of bringing forward legislative proposals to suspend driving licences immediately for people arrested on suspicion of driving offences carrying mandatory disqualification. (85559)
- 174 **Alex Ballinger** (Halesowen): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to help reduce the number of young drivers killed in road traffic collisions. (85560)
- 175 **Alex Ballinger** (Halesowen): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure that (a) long and (b) lifetime driving disqualifications are enforced. (85561)
- 176 **Paul Davies** (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she plans to instal Automated External Defibrillators at (a) stations and (b) key infrastructure points as part of the Transpennine Route Upgrade. (85622)
- 177 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of conventional (a) pothole repair and (b) resurfacing techniques on levels of carbon emissions. (85341)
- 178 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent estimate she has made of the total cost to taxpayers of the Zero Emission Vehicle Mandate compliance system; and what assessment she has made of the potential impact of that system on (a) emissions savings and (b) the price of new commercial vehicles for operators. (85342)

- 179 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether Great British Railways or the Office of Rail and Road will be responsible for (a) granting and (b) monitoring open access rail applications under the new rail structure. (85343)
- 180 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to help ensure that passenger (a) fare data and (b) service performance from operators outside the Office of Rail and Road's are independently verified. (85344)
- 181 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 20 October 2025 to Question 78728 London, Tilbury and Southend Line: Standards, what performance targets her Department has agreed with c2c on (a) service reliability and (b) the permitted number and proportion of (i) cancellations and (ii) over-running engineering works. (85346)
- 182 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of the Schengen 90/180-day rule on UK-based haulage companies operating in the European Union. (85349)
- 183 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 24 October 2025 to Question 82734 on Railways: Industrial Disputes, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of industrial action relating to new technology payments for ticket scanning on passengers. (85353)
- 184 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 24 October 2025 to Question 82740 on Electric Vehicles: Manufacturing, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the Electric Car Grant on (a) new jobs created and (b) jobs secured in the automotive manufacturing sector. (85355)
- 185 **Afzal Khan** (Manchester Rusholme): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of introducing free bus travel for under-22s on access to (a) education, (b) training and (c) employment. (85298)
- 186 **Afzal Khan** (Manchester Rusholme): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an estimate of the cost to the public purse of providing free bus travel to all under-22s in England; and if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of doing so on (a) the economy and (b) society. (85299)
- 187 **Afzal Khan** (Manchester Rusholme): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she has had discussions with local transport authorities in Greater Manchester on the potential merits of introducing free bus travel for under-22s. (85300)

- 188 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to increase the number of driving tests in (a) Epsom and Ewell constituency and (b) England. (85647)
- 189 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to tackle illegal driving instructors; and what steps he is taking to increase public awareness on the requirement for driving instructors to be approved by the Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency. (85338)
- 190 **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will set out the statutory limits on seafarers' hours of work and rest when employed on Workboats over 200 gross tonnage in UK territorial waters. (85132)
- 191 **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many flag state inspections of commercial workboats for compliance with the Maritime Labour Convention have been carried out by organisations certified by the Maritime and Coastguard Agency in each year since 2016. (85133)
- 192 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to promote (a) walking, (b) wheeling and (c) cycling in North East Somerset and Hanham constituency. (85068)
- 193 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what progress she is making on supporting people that want to use electric vehicles. (85078)
- 194 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 18 October 2025 to Question 79364 on Defence Safety Authority, what recent progress the Maritime and Coastguard Authority has made on the development of its own maritime autonomy programme. (85420)
- 195 **Melanie Onn** (Great Grimsby and Cleethorpes): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to encourage competition between independent MOT testing garages and large national chains. (85197)
- 196 **Andrew Ranger** (Wrexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department plans to simplify the process by which disabled motorists in receipt of Personal Independence Payment are able to (a) apply for and (b) receive a vehicle tax reduction; and whether the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency plans to introduce an online system enabling eligible disabled drivers to (i) claim the 50 per cent vehicle tax discount and (ii) pay by direct debit. (85374)
- 197 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 20 October 2025 to Question 82468 on Unmanned Air Systems, if her Department will publish the (a) terms of reference, (b) milestones and (c) project plan for her Department's review of the regulatory framework for airspace change referenced. (85445)

- 198 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant the Answer of 20 October to Question 82468 on Unmanned Air Systems, when her Department plans to publish its consultation on streamlining Civil Air Publication 1616 for uncrewed air systems operations and trials; and what the planned (a) start and (b) end date of that consultation are. (85446)
- 199 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 20 October 2025 to Question 82468 on Unmanned Air Systems, whether her Department will publish an impact assessment on the proposed reforms to Civil Air Publication 1616 on approval times for Special Use Airspace for Beyond Visual Line of Sight operations. (85447)
- 200 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 20 October 2025 to Question 82468 on Unmanned Air Systems; whether her Department will publish an impact assessment setting out the expected effect of proposed reforms to Civil Air Publication 1616 on approval times for Special Use Airspace for Beyond Visual Line of Sight operations. (85448)
- 201 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 20 October 2025 to Question 82468 on Unmanned Air Systems; whether the proposed reforms to Civil Air Publication 1616 will include (a) fast-track pathways, (b) service standards and (c) key performance indicators for decision times on airspace change proposals that support (i) NHS medical logistics and (ii) other public-interest use cases. (85449)
- 202 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answers of 20 October to Questions 82468 and 82466 on Unmanned Air Systems: Delivery Services, whether the Department's review will consider (a) standardised template Airspace Change Proposals for Beyond Visual Line of Sight corridors, (b) reusable safety cases, and (c) predefined temporary segregated airspace models for (i) humanitarian and (ii) medical logistics use cases. (85451)
- 203 **Daniel Zeichner** (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the average processing time is for the DVLA to (a) review and (b) reinstate driving licences suspended on medical grounds following a head injury. (85179)
- 204 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to (a) monitor and (b) evaluate how the target of 80 percent employment will be supported via the co-ordination of (i) employment support and (ii) skills services. (85529)
- 205 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to help support women affected by increases in State Pension age in South Shropshire constituency. (85319)

- 206 **Suella Braverman** (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether his Department had made an assessment of the adequacy of Capita's cybersecurity protocols prior to the March 2023 data breach. (85214)
- 207 **Suella Braverman** (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps he has taken to ensure that all Civil Service Pension Scheme members that were affected by the Capita data breach have been (a) notified and (b) supported. (85215)
- 208 **Suella Braverman** (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether his Department plans to review its guidance on outsourcing contracts following the Capita data breach. (85216)
- 209 **Suella Braverman** (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the Capita data breach on the (a) integrity and (b) security of the Civil Service Pension Scheme. (85217)
- 210 **Suella Braverman** (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what contingency plans he has in place if Capita is deemed unsuitable to continue administering civil service pensions. (85218)
- 211 **Suella Braverman** (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate he has made of the (a) legal, (b) administrative, (c) remedial and (d) other costs to the public purse of Capita's data breach. (85219)
- 212 **Suella Braverman** (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps he has taken to ensure transparency regarding the nature of the data compromised with the people affected by the Capita data breach. (85220)
- 213 **Suella Braverman** (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department takes to ensure that employers share accurate (a) data and (b) instructions with Civil Service Pensions; and how often this is audited. (85221)
- 214 **Charlotte Cane** (Ely and East Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment he has made of trends in the level of child poverty in Ely and East Cambridgeshire constituency. (85513)
- 215 **Charlotte Cane** (Ely and East Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will take steps to remove the two-child benefit cap. (85514)
- 216 **Charlotte Cane** (Ely and East Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment he has made of trends in the level of foodbank use in Ely and East Cambridgeshire constituency. (85515)

- 217 **Stephen Flynn** (Aberdeen South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how much and what proportion of the £25 million funding for Youth Hubs will be allocated to Scotland; and what estimate he has made of the number of youth hubs that will be supported. (85315)
- 218 **Zöe Franklin** (Guildford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that Personal Independence Payment appeals for claimants awarded under the Special Rules for terminal illness are prioritised (a) when a PIP award has been removed despite no improvement in prognosis and the claimant has been waiting over a year for a tribunal hearing and (b) in general. (85617)
- 219 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps he is taking to support young people into employment, education or training in (a) Newcastle-under-Lyme constituency and (b) Staffordshire. (85489)
- 220 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what plans he has to visit the job centre in Newcastle-under-Lyme constituency. (85490)
- 221 **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to support the roll-out of youth hubs in (a) Hexham constituency, (b) Northumberland, (c) Newcastle, (d) the North East and (e) England. (85396)
- 222 **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to support young people into employment in (a) Hexham constituency, (b) Northumberland, (c) Newcastle, (d) the North East and (e) England. (85397)
- 223 **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to support young people into education in (a) Hexham constituency, (b) Northumberland, (c) Newcastle, (d) the North East and (e) England. (85398)
- 224 **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps the Department is taking to support young people into training in (a) Hexham constituency, (b) Northumberland, (c) Newcastle, (d) the North East and (e) England. (85399)
- 225 **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what discussions his Department has had with relevant stakeholders on the Crisis and Resilience Fund and rural areas. (85406)
- 226 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what discussions he has had with his counterpart in Northern Ireland on getting more people into work. (85152)
- 227 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many PIP claimants had active contracts with the Motability Scheme and primary disabling conditions recorded as mixed anxiety and depressive disorder in each of the last five years by region. (85247)

- 228 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many PIP claimants had active contracts with the Motability Scheme and primary disabling conditions recorded as ADHD in each of the last five years by region.(85248)
- 229 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many PIP claimants had active contracts with the Motability Scheme and primary disabling conditions recorded as depressive disorder in each of the last five years by region. (85249)
- 230 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many PIP claimants had active contracts with the Motability Scheme and primary disabling conditions recorded as post-traumatic stress disorder in each of the last five years by region. (85250)
- 231 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many PIP claimants had active contracts with the Motability Scheme and primary disabling conditions recorded as bipolar affective disorder in each of the last five years by region. (85251)
- 232 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many PIP claimants had active contracts with the Motability Scheme and primary disabling conditions recorded as an anxiety disorder where the type was not known in each of the last five years by region. (85252)
- 233 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many PIP claimants had active contracts with the Motability Scheme and primary disabling conditions recorded as generalised anxiety disorder in each of the last five years by region. (85253)
- 234 **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many PIP claimants had active contracts with the Motability Scheme and primary disabling conditions recorded as agoraphobia in each of the last five years by region. (85254)
- 235 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he expects the Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency early access service for innovative technologies to open. (85320)
- 236 **Stuart Andrew** (Daventry): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the NHS Long Term Workforce Plan fact sheet, published on 30 June 2023, whether it is his policy to provide £2.4 billion funding for additional education and training places for healthcare professionals over the five years to 2028-29; and how much funding he plans to provide for this purpose in each financial year. (85136)

- 237 **Stuart Andrew** (Daventry): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the planned training intakes are for (a) medical school places, (b) GP trainee places, (c) nurses, (d) nursing associates, (e) midwives, (f) pharmacists and (g) dentists in (i) 2025, (ii) 2026, (iii) 2028 and (iv) 2031. (85137)
- 238 **Stuart Andrew** (Daventry): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that Learning Disability Nursing is adequately supported within the new NHS workforce plan. (85138)
- 239 **Stuart Andrew** (Daventry): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential impact on the NHS workforce of financial pressures faced by higher education institutions providing healthcare education. (85139)
- 240 **Stuart Andrew** (Daventry): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what engagement his Department has had with (a) universities and (b) higher education providers in developing the new NHS workforce plan. (85140)
- 241 **Stuart Andrew** (Daventry): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking with the Department for Education to support the delivery of the NHS workforce plan. (85141)
- 242 **Stuart Andrew** (Daventry): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of (a) EU-derived clinical hour requirements for nurse education and (b) the regulatory framework for nurse education (i) in general and (ii) compared with (A) Australia and (B) other international models. (85142)
- 243 **Stuart Andrew** (Daventry): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the (a) anticipated and (b) actual level of demand for health services was in 2025–26; and whether the actual level of demand has increased in line with the trends since the end of the pandemic. (85143)
- 244 **Stuart Andrew** (Daventry): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to minimise wastage of covid-19 vaccine doses during autumn 2025; and whether he plans to review eligibility guidance to allow unused doses to be administered to people under 75 clinically suitable to receive them. (85144)
- 245 **Suella Braverman** (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will publish a national strategy for palliative and end of life care. (85222)
- 246 **Phil Brickell** (Bolton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will take steps to publish a national strategy for palliative and end of life care. (85460)
- 247 **Charlotte Cane** (Ely and East Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of access to GPs in Ely and East Cambridgeshire constituency. (85518)

- 248 **Charlotte Cane** (Ely and East Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how his Department measures the (a) accessibility of GPs and (b) GPs' workload. (85519)
- 249 **Charlotte Cane** (Ely and East Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of online GP booking systems on people who are digitally excluded. (85520)
- 250 **Lizzi Collinge** (Morecambe and Lunesdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve access to (a) gender identity and (b) trans healthcare services. (85550)
- 251 **Lizzi Collinge** (Morecambe and Lunesdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to increase the number of funded anaesthetic specialty training places over the next three years. (85551)
- 252 **Lizzi Collinge** (Morecambe and Lunesdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to update families affected by sodium valproate on compensation following publication of the Hughes Report; and when families should expect to receive details of (a) interim and (b) main payments. (85554)
- 253 **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure the availability of health play (a) services and (b) professionals for children. (85540)
- 254 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a screening programme to detect undiagnosed heart defects in young people. (85279)
- 255 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans his department has to introduce type one diabetes testing for all infants. (85668)
- 256 **Richard Foord** (Honiton and Sidmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to publish a national strategy for palliative and end of life care. (85364)
- 257 **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the role of mayoral authorities will be within Regional Health Innovation Zones. (85091)
- 258 **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the 10 Year Health Plan on the roles of mayoral authorities in delivering health and social care services. (85092)
- 259 **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what role mayoral authorities will play in the delivery of Neighbourhood Health Plans. (85093)

- 260 **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent steps NHS England has taken to help identify (a) children and (b) adults at risk of pre-symptomatic Type 1 diabetes; and what assessment has been made of (i) the uptake and (ii) effectiveness of those services. (85094)
- 261 **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of people initially coded with (a) pre-diabetes and (b) type 2 diabetes who were later found to have early or established type 1 diabetes in the most recent period for which data is available; and what steps his Department is taking with NHS England to help improve diagnostic accuracy in England. (85095)
- 262 **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the merits of opportunities to (a) enable earlier diagnosis of Type 1 diabetes and (b) reduce incidences of diabetic ketoacidosis; and what actions are being taken by (i) his Department and (ii) NHS England to support (A) research and (B) improved clinical practice in these areas. (85096)
- 263 **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when NICE plans to review (a) guideline NG17 for Type 1 diabetes in adults and (b) guideline NG18 for Diabetes (type 1 and type 2) in children and young people; and what the timelines are for the next updates. (85097)
- 264 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 28 July 2025 to Question 66478 on Innovation: Beer and Public Houses, whether 16 and 17 year olds will be permitted to consume non-alcoholic products with substantive meals accompanied by an adult. (85206)
- 265 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to introduce a ban on (a) vaping and (b) smoking outside (i) pubs, (ii) restaurants and (iii) nightclubs. (85207)
- 266 **Liz Jarvis** (Eastleigh): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to generate public recognition of the (a) contribution and (b) value of workers in the care sector. (85369)
- 267 **Liz Jarvis** (Eastleigh): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of increases in employers' National Insurance contributions on trends in levels of fees for care homes. (85370)
- 268 **Liz Jarvis** (Eastleigh): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the challenges faced by not-for-profit care homes. (85371)
- 269 **James MacCleary** (Lewes): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure an adequate number of working guide dogs. (85572)

- 270 **James MacCleary** (Lewes): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help reduce waiting times for people waiting to be matched with a guide dog. (85573)
- 271 **Mr Angus MacDonald** (Inverness, Skye and West Ross-shire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of trends in the level of geographical variation in access to community care equipment in (a) general, (b) rural areas and (c) remote areas. (85680)
- 272 **Andy MacNae** (Rossendale and Darwen): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when his Department plans to confirm the funding settlement for Start for Life services from 1 April 2026; whether that funding settlement will include the (a) increased geography and (b) widened age range of the programme; and whether ring-fenced funding will be allocated to provide (i) parent-infant relationship support, (ii) perinatal mental health support and (iii) infant feeding services. (85462)
- 273 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure NHS staff receive adequate training to (a) ask menopause questions and (b) support affected women in routine NHS health checks. (85635)
- 274 **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 clinical medical cases relating to childbirth injuries on maternal mental health. (85636)
- 275 **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 ensuring people with (a) Huntington's disease and (b) other long-term neurological conditions have a single point of contact to coordinate their care. (85637)
- 276 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to support young people with their mental health. (85638)
- 277 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to increase the number of clinical trials available for brain cancer vaccines. (85639)
- 278 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of supporting the (a) training and (b) deployment of UK health staff to Ukraine. (85640)
- 279 **Dame Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of local authority-led initiatives to increase physical activity on public health outcomes. (85066)

- 280 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure Mounjaro, also called tirzepatide, is available to people who meet the clinical criteria for weight management. (85335)
- 281 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of precision medicine on the (a) life expectancy and (b) quality of life of people living with motor neurone disease. (85336)
- 282 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve the (a) training and (b) awareness of healthcare professionals in (i) diagnosing and (ii) supporting people with (A) myalgic encephalomyelitis or chronic fatigue syndrome and (B) long COVID. (85337)
- 283 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help (a) increase awareness of and (b) shorten diagnosis times for Postural Tachycardia Syndrome. (85340)
- 284 **Dame Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central and West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much the Department has spent on dental research in each of the last three years. (85147)
- 285 **Rebecca Paul** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to provide additional support for women who face additional prescription costs due to (a) menorrhagia and (b) other menstrual issues caused by (i) miscarriage and (ii) other significant traumas. (85606)
- 286 **Mr Richard Quigley** (Isle of Wight West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to (a) reduce the backlog of ADHD assessments for children and (b) ensure continuity of care for people affected by service pauses in (i) NHS Hampshire and Isle of Wight Integrated Care Board and (ii) other places. (85468)
- 287 **Mr Joshua Reynolds** (Maidenhead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department is taking steps to introduce an (a) diagnostic protocol for bowel cancer in patients under 50 and (b) a mandatory referral for colonoscopy after two presentations of unresolved rectal bleeding. (85654)
- 288 **Tim Roca** (Macclesfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help reduce the distance people in Macclesfield need to travel for (a) care and (b) specialist treatments. (85598)
- 289 **Tim Roca** (Macclesfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to make mental health services more widely available to children and young people in Macclesfield. (85599)

- 290 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of lowering the age at which women are offered their first smear test. (85148)
- 291 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to hire more GPs. (85149)
- 292 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to increase the number of funded women's health nursing training posts. (85150)
- 293 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what data his Department holds on the prevalence of cleft palate syndrome in the UK; and what steps his Department is taking to raise awareness among (a) healthcare professionals and (b) the general public. (85385)
- 294 **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what information his Department holds on the long-term (a) health, (b) educational and (c) social outcomes of individuals born with cleft palate syndrome; and what steps his Department is taking to monitor these outcomes. (85386)
- 295 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds Central and Headingley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he has considered the potential merits of establishing a database of licensed weight loss injection providers that is easily accessible to the public. (85296)
- 296 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds Central and Headingley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of providing details to the public on how to report suspected unlicensed vendors providing weight loss injections. (85297)
- 297N **Luke Taylor** (Sutton and Cheam): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take legislative steps to ensure that food outlets must display their Food Standards Agency food hygiene rating. [Transferred] (85008)
- 298 **Cameron Thomas** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he is taking steps to ensure accountability for the equitable provision of palliative care. (85658)
- 299 **Max Wilkinson** (Cheltenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what Gloucestershire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust's planned timetable is for the (a) commencement and (b) publication of its health needs review. (85377)
- 300 **Max Wilkinson** (Cheltenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to reopen the Aveta Birth Centre at Cheltenham General Hospital. (85378)

- 301 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure continuity of pharmacy services for patients affected by Jhoots Pharmacy entering administration. (85453)
- 302 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the number of (a) patients and (b) GP practices directly affected by Jhoots branch closures. (85454)
- 303 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, steps he is taking to protect patients (a) receiving home deliveries, (b) dosette boxes, (c) end of life medicines and (d) other vulnerable patients who may lose access to their local Jhoots branch. (85455)
- 304 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department will review its oversight mechanisms for large multi-branch contractors to ensure stronger safeguards against sudden collapses; and what assessment he has made of the potential merits of reviewing the NHS's pharmacy contracting processes to prevent financially unstable operators taking on critical community pharmacy roles, following the collapse of Jhoots Pharmacy, (85456)
- 305 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment she has made of the potential implications of her policies of the death of Somayeh Rashidi in Iran in September 2025; and what discussions she has had with her Iranian counterparts on taking steps to ensure there is an independent investigation of his death. (85134)
- 306 **Chris Bloore** (Redditch): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what the value is of outstanding (a) loans and (b) debts liable to the UK from lower-income countries. (85435)
- 307 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether she has taken steps to help support residents of the Turks and Caicos Islands in their response to Hurricane Melissa. (85281)
- 308 **Sir Iain Duncan Smith** (Chingford and Woodford Green): 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 trends in levels of people trafficking to work as forced labour in scam centres in Myanmar run by Chinese-organised crime syndicates; and what information her Department holds on whether British nationals have been forcibly trafficked to work in those centres. (85061)
- 309 **Sir Iain Duncan Smith** (Chingford and Woodford Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment her Department has made of the potential role of (a) the Chinese Communist Party regime, (b) Chinese transnational organised crime syndicates and (c) Myanmar's military junta and pro-junta armed militias in the operation of large-scale scam centres in Myanmar. (85062)

- 310 **Sir Iain Duncan Smith** (Chingford and Woodford Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what sanctions the UK has imposed on people running transnational crime syndicates operating scam centres in Myanmar; and whether she is taking steps to impose new sanctions, in the context of US measures in September 2025. (85063)
- 311 **Sir Iain Duncan Smith** (Chingford and Woodford Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if she will make an assessment of the potential implications for her Department's policies of Fortify Rights' report entitled *Crashing Down on Us*, published in September 2025; and what steps she is taking to help tackle China's reported supply of (a) funds, (b) fuel and (c) equipment for the support of the Myanmar junta's airstrikes. (85064)
- 312 **Alex Easton** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions she has had with her Kyrgyz counterpart on the (a) imprisonment and (b) torture of (i) Pastor Pavel Shreider and (ii) members of the True and Free Reform Adventist Church; and what diplomatic steps she is taking to help ensure their release. (85571)
- 313 **Damien Egan** (Bristol North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment her Department has made of whether the Palestinian Authority education curriculum (a) for 2025-2026 and (b) in general meets UNESCO standards for (i) peace and (ii) tolerance in school education. (85368)
- 314 **John Glen** (Salisbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions she has had with international partners on measures to provide support to the Hazara Muslim population in Afghanistan; and what diplomatic steps she is taking to ensure their protection. (85145)
- 315 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions she has had with the European Commission on securing exemptions from the Schengen 90/180-day rule for UK (a) road haulage and (b) touring logistics professionals. (85348)
- 316 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West and Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions she has had with her Nicaraguan counterpart on the imprisonment of Efrén Antonio Vélchez López. (85308)
- 317 **Sir Edward Leigh** (Gainsborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent diplomatic steps she has taken with her international counterparts to help ensure the protection of Christian communities in Eritrea. (85080)

- 318 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if she will take steps to ensure that overseas aid funding is not used to promote (a) social transformation, (b) gender ideology, (c) climate justice and (d) other ideological or political objectives. (85475)
- 319 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much overseas aid funding has been allocated to projects or programmes aimed at promoting (a) climate justice, (b) social transformation and (c) norm change since 2021. (85476)
- 320 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether her Department undertakes (a) risk and (b) equality impact assessments on aid projects whose stated objectives include (i) influencing norms and (ii) gender ideology. (85477)
- 321 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, which UK-registered (a) non-Governmental organisations, (b) charities and (c) UN agencies have received more than £10 million in funding for projects involving (i) norm change, (ii) gender ideology and (iii) climate justice since 2021. (85478)
- 322 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, for what strategic reasons aid is used to fund projects described as aiming to (a) influence social norms and (b) achieve social transformation overseas. (85479)
- 323 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment her Department has made of the potential merits of suspending arms export licences to Israel. (85641)
- 324 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if she will hold discussions with Cabinet colleagues on the potential merits of imposing a full arms embargo on Israel. (85642)
- 325 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions she has had with her international counterparts on strengthening the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction. (85643)
- 326 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of countries withdrawing from the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction on civilians in conflict zones. (85644)
- 327 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps she is taking to help tackle the use of anti-personnel mines in international conflicts. (85645)

- 328 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions she has had with her international counterparts on the regulation of satellites in space. (85646)
- 329 **James Naish** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the UK will contribute £1 billion to the Eighth Replenishment of the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria. (85375)
- 330 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, when she plans to establish the College of British Diplomacy. (85415)
- 331 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much funding her Department has allocated for the establishment of the College of British Diplomacy. (85416)
- 332 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what the scope of the College of British Diplomacy will be. (85417)
- 333 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions she has had with her counterpart in Vietnam on the arrest of Montagnard Pastor Y Nuen Ayun on 8 October 2025; and whether she is taking diplomatic steps to ensure his release. (85113)
- 334 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether she has made representations to her (a) Indian and (b) Chinese counterparts on comments by the representatives of Mauritius on the lease of land in the Chagos Archipelago upon the ratification of the 2025 treaty on the British Indian Ocean Territory. (85115)
- 335 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps her Department has taken to advance formal diplomatic recognition since the signing of the memorandum of understanding with the Sovereign Order of Malta. (85116)
- 336 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether her Department has appointed a representative to engage with the Sovereign Order of Malta following the memorandum of understanding signed on 9 October 2024. (85117)
- 337 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether she has held discussions with European states that maintain diplomatic relations with the Sovereign Order of Malta as part of its recognition process. (85118)
- 338 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what his timeline is for the conclusion of the process of formal diplomatic recognition of the Sovereign Order of Malta. (85119)

- 339 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps she is taking with allies in Latin America to support (a) regional stability and (b) democratic outcomes. (85120)
- 340 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the US has had discussions with her Department on US strategic objectives in tackling drug smuggling in (a) Venezuela and (b) the wider Caribbean. (85121)
- 341 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to improve (a) diplomatic and (b) development cooperation with Pacific Island nations. (85122)
- 342 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions her Department has had with (a) the Economic Community of West African States and (b) other regional partners on support for democratic governance in (i) Niger, (ii) Burkina Faso and (iii) Mali. (85123)
- 343 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions she has had with her Vietnamese counterpart on reports of attacks against (a) Khmer Krom human rights defenders and (b) Theravada Buddhist monks. (85154)
- 344 **Jas Athwal** (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of establishing a statutory Code of Practice on the Sikh articles of faith to prevent discrimination. (85555)
- 345 **Siân Berry** (Brighton Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to her statement on Manchester Terrorism Attack of 13 October 2025, Official Report, column 27, how she plans to give legislative effect to her proposal to amend sections 12 and 14 of the Public Order Act 1986 to allow the police to take account of the cumulative impact of frequent protests when considering whether to impose conditions. (85618)
- 346 **Siân Berry** (Brighton Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to her oral contribution of 13 October 2025 during the statement on Manchester Terrorism Attack, Official Report, column 27, what legislative vehicle she plans to use to amend section (a) 12 and (b) 14 of the Public Order Act 1986 to allow the police to take account of the cumulative impact of frequent protests when considering whether to impose conditions. (85619)
- 347 **Chris Bloore** (Redditch): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many police front counters were closed between 2010 and 2024. (85436)
- 348 **Phil Brickell** (Bolton West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department has made of the potential merits of rescheduling psilocybin to allow for research into its potential merits in the treatment of mental health issues. (85461)

- 349 **Lizzi Collinge** (Morecambe and Lunesdale): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what her planned timetable is for responding to the Migration Advisory Committee's recommendations on the minimum income requirement for the UK's spouse and partner visa routes. (85553)
- 350 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 24 October 2025 to Question 82424 on Animal Experiments, which experiments does the alternative methods strategy include timelines for phasing out. (85383)
- 351 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to help reduce crimes against (a) endangered species and (b) other wildlife. (85278)
- 352 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential implications for her policies of trends in the level of (a) anti-Sikh, (b) anti-Muslim and (c) anti-Jewish hate. (85263)
- 353 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department has asked the Office for National Statistics to use anonymised person-level data from the 2021 census to help improve the accuracy of data on the (a) ethnicity and (b) religion of victims of hate crime offences. (85264)
- 354 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the findings were of the research undertaken by her Department in 2024 on tackling anti-Sikh hate. (85265)
- 355 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many asylum seekers accommodated in (a) hotels or (b) other residences were in that accommodation for longer than 12 months since 2022. (85083)
- 356 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many full time equivalent civil servants in her Department are working on recouping profits from private providers with contracts to house asylum seekers. (85084)
- 357 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how much money from private providers with contracts to house asylum seekers is owed to her Department in excess profits since 2021. (85085)
- 358 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many recorded (a) hate crimes and (b) religiously motivated offences have involved (i) Christian places of worship and (ii) other religious premises since 2010. (85482)
- 359 **Sir Andrew Mitchell** (Sutton Coldfield): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to reduce incidences of gun crime in (a) the Birmingham City Council area and (b) Sutton Coldfield. (85102)

- 360 **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many (a) sponsored and (b) non-sponsored workers had been granted permission to work on offshore wind projects in UK waters under the Immigration (Offshore Worker Notification and Exemption from Control (Amendment)) Regulations 2023 by 27 October 2025. (85131)
- 361 **Susan Murray** (Mid Dunbartonshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate she has made of the additional (a) visa fees and (b) immigration health surcharge costs that (i) applicants and (ii) their families will be required to pay following the extension of the qualifying period for Indefinite Leave to Remain from five years to ten years. (85469)
- 362 **Susan Murray** (Mid Dunbartonshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she has made an assessment of the potential impact of extending the qualifying period for Indefinite Leave to Remain to ten years on the finances of families with children; and what steps she is taking to ensure that this change does not affect (a) integration and (b) long-term stability for families with children. (85470)
- 363 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department plans to (a) review and (b) update victim notification procedures. (85564)
- 364 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what data her Department holds on the number of recorded criminal incidents involving vehicles registered under the Motability Scheme in each of the last three years. (85565)
- 365 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she has had discussions with Cabinet colleagues on monitoring the misuse of Motability vehicles identified by police forces. (85568)
- 366 **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department has taken to help prevent the misuse of Motability vehicles in criminal activity. (85570)
- 367 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to tackle car theft. (85153)
- 368 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Friern Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that asylum seekers are living in (a) safe and (b) suitable accommodation. (85242)
- 369 **Max Wilkinson** (Cheltenham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the oral contribution by the Minister for Security during the Urgent Question on 20 October 2025, Official Report, column 630, whether he has held such discussions with the hon. Member for (a) Rutland and Stamford and (b) Tonbridge on the use of back channels. (85379)

- 370 **Max Wilkinson** (Cheltenham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to paragraph 23(b) of Witness Statement 1 by the Deputy National Security Adviser of 22 December 2023, what those back channels were. (85380)
- 371 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to his Department's press release entitled, Government launches Back British industry call to action to boost UK jobs, businesses and skills, published on 23 October 2025, what the minimum number of UK based jobs is that the winning international partner of a UK defence contract will be required to provide. (85225)
- 372 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to his Department's press release entitled, Government launches Back British industry call to action to boost UK jobs, businesses and skills, published on 23 October 2025, what proportion of manufacturing will a winning international partner of a UK defence contract be required to deliver in the UK. (85226)
- 373 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to his Department's press release entitled, Government launches Back British industry call to action to boost UK jobs, businesses and skills, published on 23 October 2025, if he will list the skills that an international partner will be required to invest in if a UK defence deal contract is won. (85227)
- 374 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to his Department's press release entitled, Government launches Back British industry call to action to boost UK jobs, businesses and skills, published on 23 October 2025, when he expects to launch the new Defence Office for Small Business Growth. (85228)
- 375 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to his Department's press release entitled, Government launches Back British industry call to action to boost UK jobs, businesses and skills, published on 23 October 2025, who will lead the new Defence Office for Small Business Growth. (85229)
- 376 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to his Department's press release entitled, Government launches Back British industry call to action to boost UK jobs, businesses and skills, published on 23 October 2025, who will staff the Defence Office for Small Business Growth. (85230)
- 377 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to his Department's press release entitled, Government launches Back British industry call to action to boost UK jobs, businesses and skills, published on 23 October 2025, whether any new staff will be recruited as part of the new Defence Office for Small Business Growth. (85231)

- 378 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to his Department's press release entitled, Government launches Back British industry call to action to boost UK jobs, businesses and skills, published on 23 October 2025, where the new Defence Office for Small Business Growth will be based. (85232)
- 379 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to his Department's press release entitled, Government launches Back British industry call to action to boost UK jobs, businesses and skills, published on 23 October 2025, how many staff will be employed as part of the new Defence Office for Small Business Growth. (85233)
- 380 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to his Department's press release entitled, Government launches Back British industry call to action to boost UK jobs, businesses and skills, published on 23 October 2025, whether the new Defence Office for Small Business Growth will consult with third parties. (85234)
- 381 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to his Department's press release, entitled Government launches Back British industry call to action to boost UK jobs, businesses and skills, published on 23 October 2025, what the total is cost of establishing the new Defence Office for Small Business Growth. (85235)
- 382 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to his Department's press release entitled, Government launches Back British industry call to action to boost UK jobs, businesses and skills, published on 23 October 2025, whether the new Defence Office for Small Business Growth will produce Government policy. (85236)
- 383 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to his Department's press release entitled, Government launches Back British industry call to action to boost UK jobs, businesses and skills, published on 23 October 2025, whether the new Defence Office for Small Business Growth will include service personnel. (85237)
- 384 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to his Department's press release entitled Government launches Back British industry call to action to boost UK jobs, businesses and skills, published on 23 October 2025, what form of public body the Defence Office for Small Business Growth will be. (85238)
- 385 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to his Department's press release entitled Government launches Back British industry call to action to boost UK jobs, businesses and skills, published on 23 October 2025, which top level budget the Defence Office for Small Business Growth will be allocated to. (85239)
- 386 **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to his Department's press release entitled Government launches Back British industry call to action to boost UK jobs, businesses and skills, published on 23 October 2025, how the Defence Office for Small Business Growth will interact with the Department for Business and Trade. (85240)

- 387 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has had recent discussions with Babcock on increasing the number of welding apprenticeships on UK based defence contracts. (85276)
- 388 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, on what date (a) Ministers in his Department were informed of the data breach affecting Afghan nationals who worked with UK forces and (b) that breach was escalated to the Information Commissioner's Office. (85473)
- 389 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many personal data breaches were reported by his Department to the Information Commissioner's Office in each year since 2020; and how of those resulted in enforcement action. (85474)
- 390 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of launching a home readiness campaign to advise people on how to respond in the event of a potential conflict. (85634)
- 391 **Helen Maguire** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an assessment with Cabinet colleagues of the potential merits of banning fireworks to support veterans with PTSD. (85648)
- 392 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 20 October 2025 to Question 79409 on Navy: Patrol Craft, what recent progress has he made in identifying the replacement for Batch 1 OPVs ahead of their out-of-service date. (85421)
- 393 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 17 October 2025 to Question 79608 on Military Bases, how many of the projects in the Defence Estate Optimisation Portfolio are (a) completed and (b) under construction. (85422)
- 394 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the scope is of the combat edge human performance optimisation programme. (85423)
- 395 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what his planned timetable is for the (a) completion and (b) publication of the Defence Accreditation Review. (85424)
- 396 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many veterans have accessed support via Op ASCEND since its launch. (85425)
- 397 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the answer of 18 October 2025 to Question 79357 on Navy: North Atlantic Ocean, what capability options under Atlantic Bastion have been submitted for consideration in the Defence Investment Plan. (85426)

- 398 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 20 October 2025 to Question 79415 on Air Force, what the scope is of the Chief of the Air Staff's Optimise Directive. (85427)
- 399 **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 20 October 2025 to Question 79365 on Navy: Military Aircraft, what the scope is of the Royal Navy's approach to Maritime Aviation Transformation. (85428)
- 400 **Tim Roca** (Macclesfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department is taking to improve support for veterans with complex PTSD in Cheshire. (85601)
- 401 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 20 October to Question 8246 on Unmanned Air Systems: Delivery Services, whether his Department has assessed the operational impact of Civil Air Publication 1616 timelines on (a) scheduling of uncrewed air system test and (b) evaluation activities. (85450)
- 402 **Martin Wrigley** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 22 October 2025 to Question 82467 on Unmanned Air Systems: Testing; whether his Department will support the Civil Aviation Authority in making sure there is a decreased time taken in quarterly statistics on Airspace Change Proposal throughput regarding decision times for uncrewed air system-related Special Use Airspace applications. (85452)
- 403 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing legislation to enforce time limits for development companies of newbuild housing estates to have roads adopted by local authorities. (85321)
- 404 **Suella Braverman** (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if his Department will take steps to ensure transparency in the (a) service charges, (b) insurance premiums, (c) permissions for property alterations and (d) other management practices of freehold companies. (85209)
- 405 **Suella Braverman** (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether he plans to introduce (a) statutory limits and (b) oversight mechanisms to prevent excessive administrative fees by freeholders for routine property requests. (85210)
- 406 **Suella Braverman** (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of freehold management practices on the ability of leaseholders to sell properties. (85211)
- 407 **Suella Braverman** (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what guidance his Department provides to (a) local authorities and (b) planning bodies on supporting leaseholders unable to sell homes due to unresolved disputes with freeholders. (85212)

- 408 **Suella Braverman** (Fareham and Waterlooville): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if his Department will publish a register of freehold management companies subject to repeated (a) complaints and (b) enforcement action. (85213)
- 409 **Charlotte Cane** (Ely and East Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps his Department is taking to encourage British residents overseas to register to vote in future elections. (85523)
- 410 **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 75621 on Elections: Reform, whether the Code of Conduct will be mandatory for registered political parties. (85163)
- 411 **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 75627 on Byelaws, what his planned timetable is for that consultation. (85164)
- 412 **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 75447 on Trade union Officials: Facilities Agreements, whether the increase in facility time was (a) requested by trade unions and (b) approved by Ministers. (85165)
- 413 **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 75613 on Central Government: Supply Estimates, whether his Department has produced an internal 2025-26 outcome delivery plan. (85166)
- 414 **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 7560, on Sheffield City Council, whether he has received written representations from Sheffield City Council on the proposed abolition of the committee system of local authority governance. (85167)
- 415 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the Freedom of Information Act response with reference FOI2025/22431, published on 18 September 2025, what estimates his Department made of the revenue from the (a) town and parish council, (b) police, (c) the Greater London Authority and (d) combined authority precept in gross cash terms (i) in the Spending Review 2025 and (ii) in financial planning since the publication of the Spending Review annually from 2024-25 to 2029-29. (85168)
- 416 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether Cornwall Council will have a (a) single foundation elected mayor or (b) council elected mayor. (85169)

- 417 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to his Department's document entitled Initial government response - September 2025, published on 28 September 2025, whether his Department has made an estimate of the number of homes that will be (a) started and (b) completed in new towns during this Parliament. (85170)
- 418 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what estimate his Department has made of the (a) percentage and (b) area of (i) grey belt land within the green belt and (ii) green belt land that is grey belt. (85171)
- 419 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether his Department collates information on which local authorities have introduced (a) boycotts, (b) divestment or (c) sanctions against firms which (i) trade or (ii) are based in (A) Israel or (B) the Occupied Territories. (85172)
- 420 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many special advisers are employed by his Department as of 27 October 2025. (85173)
- 421 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to his Department's policy paper entitled Restoring trust in our democracy: Our strategy for modern and secure elections, published on 17 July 2025, whether he received representations from the Co-operative Party prior to the publication of that document. (85174)
- 422 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the answer of 11 September 2025 to Question 71489 on Police: Finance, what is the estimated cash value of council tax receipts for policing in England in (a) 2026-27, (b) 2027-28 and (c) 2028-29. (85175)
- 423 **Sir James Cleverly** (Braintree): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the Answer of 17 September 2025 to Question HL10289 on England: Anniversaries, if he will make it his policy to support the recognition of the 1100th anniversary of England's establishment as a unified state. (85176)
- 424 **Paul Davies** (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether his Department is taking steps to ensure that Automated External Defibrillators are included as standard infrastructure in new housing developments. (85621)
- 425 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how much funding his Department has provided to Sikh community organisations to address hate crimes in each of the last five years. (85266)

- 426 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether his Department has considered (a) recognising and (b) establishing a definition of anti-Sikh hate. (85267)
- 427 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what proportion of social housing was occupied by people born overseas in each of the last five years. (85086)
- 428 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what recent steps has he taken to help tackle council tax fraud. (85088)
- 429 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what information his Department holds on the number of first-time house buyers in Lincolnshire in each of the last five years. (85089)
- 430 **John Lamont** (Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what discussions he has with the Secretary of State for Defence on the Eskdalemuir Seismological Array, in the context of the Planning and Infrastructure Bill. (85269)
- 431 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to his Department's Pride in Place Programme phase 2 methodology note, published on 25 September 2025, if he will publish the full ranked list of neighbourhoods for Step 3. (85467)
- 432 **Dame Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether he has had recent discussions with Cabinet colleagues on taking steps to help support (a) Merton Council's London Borough of Sport programme and (b) other local authority-led initiatives to increase physical activity. (85067)
- 433 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of including housing costs in the Indices of Multiple Deprivation on benefit areas with higher housing values. (85156)
- 434 **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough and Thornaby East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of including housing costs in the Indices of Multiple Deprivation on areas with lower housing costs but higher levels of deprivation. (85157)
- 435 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of Build to Let developments on housing affordability in areas with high rental demand. (85334)

- 436 **Ian Roome** (North Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether his Department plans to allocate funding to support the Great South West Partnership from April 2026. (85466)
- 437 **Max Wilkinson** (Cheltenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what his Department's policy is on the alignment of mayoral combined authority boundaries and integrated care board boundaries, in the context of (a) devolution and (b) NHS reorganisation. (85381)
- 438 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether he will introduce a legislative requirement that all fire risk assessors must have certification in order to carry out assessments of high-risk premises. (85330)
- 439 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, for what reasons prisoners can become eligible for parole before their earliest potential release date. (85322)
- 440 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of making prisoners ineligible for parole until after they have served their minimum term in prison. (85323)
- 441 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how are victims' opinions taken into account in parole decisions for prisoners before they have served their minimum term. (85324)
- 442 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many people convicted of (a) murder, (b) other violent offences, and (c) sexual offences have successfully applied for parole in each of the last 3 years. (85325)
- 443 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of making people convicted of murder ineligible for transfer to open prisons. (85326)
- 444 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many prisoners have successfully applied for parole before their minimum sentence has been served. (85327)
- 445 **Lizzi Collinge** (Morecambe and Lunesdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether his Department plans to review regulations on time limits for executors of wills to apply for probate. (85549)
- 446 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhese** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the median length of service was for prison officers in the latest period for which data is available. (85273)
- 447 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhese** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many vacancies are currently within HM Prison and Probation Service. (85274)

- 448 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the average number of (a) prisoners held and (b) staff employed by HM Prison Service was in each of the last eight years. (85275)
- 449 **Robert Jenrick** (Newark): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will provide a breakdown by prison establishment of the number of prisoners who have been erroneously released since 1 April 2025. (85161)
- 450 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many convictions there have been for crimes committed against (a) churches and (b) other Christian places of worship in England and Wales since 2010; and what proportion of all religious-premises offences this represents. (85480)
- 451 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether (a) his Department and (b) other Government departments distinguish between offences committed against (i) Christian, (ii) Muslim, (iii) Jewish and (iv) other places of worship in its (A) crime and (B) conviction data collections. (85481)
- 452 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether his Department holds data on the (a) age, (b) sex, (c) ethnicity and (d) nationality of offenders convicted of criminal offences against Christian places of worship since 2010. (85483)
- 453 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps his Department is taking to improve the (a) recording and (b) categorisation of crimes against (i) Christian churches and (ii) other religious sites. (85484)
- 454 **Melanie Onn** (Great Grimsby and Cleethorpes): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what discussions he has had with the Sentencing Council on introducing tougher sentences for repeat (a) motorbike and (b) car theft offenders. (85196)
- 455 **Rebecca Paul** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the HMPPS Offender Equalities Annual Report 2022-2023, published on 30 November 2023, how many of the 225 transgender prisoners who reported their legal gender as male were convicted of a sexual offence. (85607)
- 456 **Rebecca Paul** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many sexual assaults of female prisoners by biological male prisoners have taken place in HMP Downview in (a) 2023, (b) 2024 and (c) 2025. (85608)
- 457 **Rebecca Paul** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what information his Department holds on whether any female prisoners held at HMP Downview have been sexually assaulted by biological male prisoners. (85609)
- 458 **Rebecca Paul** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the Independent Monitoring Board's report entitled Annual report of the Independent Monitoring Board at HMP/YOI Downview, published on 3 September 2025,

what steps he is taking to safeguard biological female prisoners where biological male prisoners are not subject to constant sight and sound supervision by a dedicated prison officer on a one to one basis during shared activities at (a) HMP/YOI Downview and (b) other prisons and (c) other young offenders institutions; and what guidance he intends to issue on this matter. (85613)

459 **Rebecca Paul** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the Independent Monitoring Board's report entitled Annual report of the Independent Monitoring Board at HMP/YOI Downview, published on 3 September 2025, what steps he is taking to ensure acutely mentally unwell prisoners are swiftly (a) identified and (b) given care in an appropriate facility at (a) HMP/YOI Downview, (b) other prisons and (c) other young offenders institutions. (85614)

460 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps he is taking to ensure that people who have been charged with sexual assault attend court in person. (85151)

461 **Euan Stainbank** (Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many enforcement agents certificated under the Certification of Enforcement Agents Regulations 2014 have had their certificates (a) cancelled and (b) suspended by a judge under Regulation 11 in each of year between 2020 and 2024. (85439)

462 **Euan Stainbank** (Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the average waiting time was for certification of potential enforcement agents at the County Court in the latest period for which data is available. (85440)

463 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that critical services continue to run in the event of a major internet outage. (85081)

464 **John Lamont** (Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, what discussions he has had with the Scottish Government on the Eskdalemuir Seismological Array. (85268)

465 **John Lamont** (Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, what discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the Eskdalemuir Seismological Array. (85270)

466 **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, what discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs on the allocation of the Fishing and Coastal Growth Fund to Scotland. (85591)

467 **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, what discussions he has had with the Scottish fishing sector on the Fishing and Coastal Growth Fund since 5cc Memb September 2025. (85592)

- 468 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many innovative financial services firms are expected to access support from the Scale-up Unit in its first year of operation. (85526)
- 469 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what performance metrics she has set for the Scale-up Unit in relation to regulatory case resolution times for supported firms. (85527)
- 470 **Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate her Department has made of the size of the UK FinTech scale-up funding gap. (85528)
- 471 **Charlotte Cane** (Ely and East Cambridgeshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 12 September to Question 74875 on Horse racing: Gambling, if her Department will publish any assessment they have made to date. (85524)
- 472 **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will take steps to ensure that HMRC issues closure notices showing no adjustment to tax returns for users of the Horizon loan scheme. (85541)
- 473 **Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, for what reason HMRC has treated the (a) Palmrock and (b) Horizon loan schemes differently in relation to the application of PAYE credits. (85542)
- 474 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she has considered the potential merits of requiring businesses to pay a tax equivalent to employer National Insurance contributions for each AI agent that performs tasks previously done by people. (85666)
- 475 **Neil Duncan-Jordan** (Poole): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an estimate of the value of uncollected tax in each of the last five financial years. (85667)
- 476 **Rachel Gilmour** (Tiverton and Minehead): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether her Department plans to allocate funding to the Great South West Partnership after April 2026. (85563)
- 477 **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of proposed changes to benefit in kind taxation for vehicles provided through Employee Car Ownership Schemes on retired scheme participants; and if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a (a) grandfathering provision and (b) exemption for existing retirees to avoid retrospective taxation. (85347)
- 478 **Patrick Hurley** (Southport): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she has had recent discussions with relevant stakeholders on the potential merits of introducing an exemption from the higher business rates multiplier for (a) cultural and (b) entertainment venues. (85376)

- 479 **Liz Jarvis** (Eastleigh): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment her Department has made of the potential merits of providing business rates relief for independent nurseries. (85372)
- 480 **Adam Jogee** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what fiscal measures her Department has considered to promote domestic recycling in (a) Staffordshire and (b) England. (85493)
- 481 **Julia Lopez** (Hornchurch and Upminster): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment her Department has made of the potential merits of reforming the (a) Enterprise Investment Scheme and (b) Seed Enterprise Investment Scheme to improve support for firms in the post-start-up phase. (85286)
- 482 **Julia Lopez** (Hornchurch and Upminster): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she plans to expand the (a) Enterprise Investment Scheme and (b) Seed Enterprise Investment Scheme scheme to support older companies seeking increased investment. (85287)
- 483 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether the Office for National Statistics has provided (a) data, (b) technical support and (c) modelling assistance her Department in connection with analyses of (i) tax contributions and (ii) benefit claims by (A) ethnicity, (B) nationality, and (C) country of birth. (85471)
- 484 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will publish the (a) figures, (b) charts and (c) underlying data tables on (i) income tax and (ii) indirect tax contributions by ethnicity referenced in her Department's Freedom of Information response FOI2025/18562. (85472)
- 485 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the Mortgage Guarantee Scheme on the number of first time buyers since the introduction of that scheme. (85670)
- 486 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many mortgages have been issued under the Mortgage Guarantee Scheme in the East of England since its introduction. (85671)
- 487 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the effectiveness of the Mortgage Guarantee Scheme in addressing regional disparities in home ownership. (85672)
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- 490 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the effectiveness of the Mortgage Guarantee Scheme in tackling regional disparities in home ownership. (85679)
- 491 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether her Department plans to review the flat rate of simplified expenses for people who (a) are self-employed and (b) work from home. (85339)
- 492 **Dan Norris** (North East Somerset and Hanham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of increasing taxes on the gambling industry on the economy. (85077)
- 493 **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the increase in employer National Insurance contributions on SMEs in Stratford-on-Avon constituency. (85457)
- 494 **Ian Roome** (North Devon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of ending funding for the Great South West Partnership in April 2026 on (a) regional representation and (b) economic growth. (85464)
- 495 **Ian Roome** (North Devon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether her Department plans to allocate funding to support the Great South West Partnership from April 2026. (85465)
- 496 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of tobacco excise duty on smoking prevalence. (85109)
- 497 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment her Department has made of the effectiveness of tobacco excise in reducing smoking prevalence. (85110)
- 498 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of the tobacco duty escalator on inflation. (85111)
- 499 **Gareth Snell** (Stoke-on-Trent Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what progress she has made on joint discussions between the Post Office and banks to expand the range of banking services available at post offices. (85261)
- 500 **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of regulatory oversight of debt purchasing companies in ensuring that credit reference data is updated promptly following the completion of an Individual Voluntary Arrangement. (85655)

- 501 **Gregory Stafford** (Farnham and Bordon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she has had discussions with the Financial Conduct Authority on improving guidance for debt purchasers on responding to disclosures of consumer vulnerability. (85656)
- 502 **Cameron Thomas** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, which 20 companies made the largest tax contributions to the Exchequer in the 2024-25 financial year. (85657)
- 503 **Jo White** (Bassetlaw): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what progress her Department has made on implementing the actions outlined in the document entitled Green Book Review: Findings and Actions, published on 11 June 2025. (85433)
- 504 **Jo White** (Bassetlaw): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will publish the membership of the Green Book Review taskforce. (85434)
- 505 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to her Department's Guidance on Public Sector Exit Payments: Use of Special Severance Payments, updated on 28 July 2025, for what reason the guidance no longer requires all special severance payments to be approved by her Department. (85187)
- 506 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many times the Growth Mission Board has met; and on what dates she attended. (85188)
- 507 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, which organisation administers the defined contribution staff pension scheme for the National Wealth Fund; and what information her Department holds on the proportion of the funds are invested outside the UK. (85189)
- 508 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the correspondence entitled DAO 02/25 Updates to Managing Public Money, published on 12 June 2025, what the business case was for the changes of guidance on (a) the propriety of using the Companies Act 2006 to establish Government-owned companies and (b) revisions permitting the setting of delegations by the Treasury for the approval of special severance payments. (85190)
- 509 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 16 June 2025 to Question 59028 on Public Expenditure, what the monetary value is of the indicative (a) capital and (b) resource departmental expenditure limit settlement budgeted for Parliament over each year of the Spending Review; and whether this includes budgeted funding for the restoration and renewal programme. (85191)
- 510 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure that critical services continue to run in the event of a major internet outage. (85082)

- 511 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, whether she plans to extend the number of public bodies subject to the socio-economic duty under section 2 of the Equality Act 2010. (85180)
- 512 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, whether there are restrictions on internship applications to the (a) Office for Equality and Opportunity and (b) Equality and Human Rights Commission in (i) 2025 and (ii) 2026. (85181)
- 513 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, whether White Irish is included in the Government's ethnicity definition of White Other. (85182)
- 514 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, whether she plans to bring forward legislative proposals to allow claims for combined discrimination under the Equality Act 2010. (85183)
- 515 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, whether the budget for the Office for Equality of Opportunity has increased since October 2024. (85184)
- 516 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, if she will issue guidance to regulators that they should not impose equality, diversity and inclusion requirements which have not been approved by legislation. (85185)
- 517 **Mike Wood** (Kingswinford and South Staffordshire): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, pursuant to the Answer of 19 May 2025 to Question 51461 on the Equal Pay Regulatory and Enforcement Unit, whether the Unit will be separate to the Fair Work Agency. (85186)

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Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Charlie Dewhirst** (Bridlington and The Wolds): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to page 94 of the Cabinet Office annual report and accounts 2024-25, published on 23 October 2025, for what reason Alex Chisholm was given a £57,521 severance payment. (85505)
- 2N **Sir Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many quangos his Department has dealings with; and what assessment he has made of the potential merits of reducing the number of these bodies. (85059)

- 3N **Sir Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what structures are in place for annual performance reviews for senior civil servants; and what assessment he has made of the potential impact of those arrangements on (a) adequate scrutiny and (b) enhanced productivity. (85060)
- 4N **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the expiry of tariff free quotas under the former UK-Canada Trade Continuity Agreement on (a) levels of investment in the UK and (b) economic growth. (85633)
- 5N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 21 July 2025 to Question 67823 on Overseas Trade: Germany, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the lighthouse projects agreed with Germany on economic growth in the UK in the next 12 months. (85106)
- 6N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many people were employed in the automotive manufacturing sector on (a) 4 July 2024 and (b) the most recent date for which data is available. (85356)
- 7N **Pippa Heylings** (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when she plans to respond to Question 82435 tabled by the hon. Member for South Cambridgeshire on 15 October 2025. (85387)
- 8N **Jayne Kirkham** (Truro and Falmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of mandating that supply staff (a) are paid according to national pay scales and (b) have access to (i) the Teachers' Pension Scheme and (ii) other relevant pension funds. (85577)
- 9N **Jayne Kirkham** (Truro and Falmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of trends in the level of commercial agencies in the supply teaching sector; and whether she plans to provide funding for non-commercial operators in that sector. (85578)
- 10N **Jayne Kirkham** (Truro and Falmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what the planned timescales are for the action points in the Cross-government Pharmaceuticals in the Environment Group Roadmap on addressing levels of fipronil and imidacloprid detected in UK waterways; and how she plans to measure their levels of success. (85575)
- 11N **Jayne Kirkham** (Truro and Falmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she has considered requiring pet products containing pesticides that are sold off the shelf to the public to provide explicit (a) advice and (b) warnings of their potential impacts on the environment at the point of sale. (85576)

- 12N **Sir Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether her Department has made a recent assessment of the extent to which the functions of (a) national parks, (b) Natural England, (c) the Environment Agency and (d) Forestry England are (i) clearly delineated, (ii) complementary and (iii) overlapping; and whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of reducing the number of these bodies. (85058)
- 13N **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, for what reason the decision to allocate Barnett funding to the devolved administrations for the Fishing and Coastal Growth Fund was announced on 20 October 2025, in the context of the press notice entitled Government to launch £360m Fishing and Coastal Growth Fund, published on 19 May 2025. (85579)
- 14N **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the contribution by the Minister for Food Security and Rural Affairs of 23 October 2025, col 1111, on the Fishing and Coastal Growth Fund, which stakeholders informed the decision to devolve that funding; and what proportion of those were based in devolved countries. (85583)
- 15N **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how much funding has been allocated to Scotland through the Fishing and Coastal Growth Fund. (85584)
- 16N **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if she will make it her policy to review the level of funding allocated to Scotland through the Fishing and Coastal Growth Fund. (85585)
- 17N **Seamus Logan** (Aberdeenshire North and Moray East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what evidential basis underpinned her decision to apply Barnett consequentials to the Fishing and Coastal Growth Fund. (85587)
- 18N **Robin Swann** (South Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether the cattle vaccine against bovine tuberculosis undergoing Phase 3 trials by the Animal and Plant Health Agency will be available in Northern Ireland. (85623)
- 19N **Julia Lopez** (Hornchurch and Upminster): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps her Department is taking to support access to growth capital for scaling UK tech firms. (85284)
- 20N **Julia Lopez** (Hornchurch and Upminster): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if she will make an assessment with the Chancellor of the Exchequer of the potential merits of creating a dedicated scale-up investment scheme. (85285)
- 21N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what differences there are between the (a) contract due to end in March 2027 and (b) the new contract for services provided by the Post Office. (85103)

- 22N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department plans to review the National Road Traffic Projection before the end of 2026. (85104)
- 23N **Sarah Dyke** (Glastonbury and Somerton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to ensure communities can access local railways. (85366)
- 24N **Sarah Dyke** (Glastonbury and Somerton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps she is taking to support local authorities to provide more rail-bus links. (85367)
- 25N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether the full scheme costs for all Strategic Road Network projects will be published in the final Road Investment Strategy 3 document. (85351)
- 26N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 24 October 2025 to Question 82408 on Railways: Public Ownership, what the targets are for (a) punctuality, (b) reliability, (c) service quality and (d) customer satisfaction for GA Trains Limited; and when her Department plans to (i) first and (ii) subsequently publish performance updates. (85354)
- 27N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of allowing recipients of universal credit to receive performance based bonuses without penalty. (85255)
- 28N **Mr Peter Bedford** (Mid Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will publish a national strategy for palliative and end of life care. (85632)
- 29N **Alison Bennett** (Mid Sussex): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his Department's policies on tackling unmet needs for social care of The University of Manchester's publication entitled 'Tackling unmet needs for social care among older people' published on 21 May 2025. (85595)
- 30N **Alison Bennett** (Mid Sussex): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has considered research from The University of Manchester advocating for care support packages that target whole households. (85596)
- 31N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of people aged 75 years and over have requested a bowel screening kit by phoning the free bowel cancer screening helpline in the last two years. (85105)
- 32N **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the Wait 45 policy on (a) ambulance release times and (b) levels of corridor care in hospitals. (85382)

- 33N **Dr Caroline Johnson** (Sleaford and North Hykeham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, for what reason the Government has delayed publication of the cancer plan. (85256)
- 34N **Dr Caroline Johnson** (Sleaford and North Hykeham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what forecast he has made of the cost to the public purse of the planned strike of resident doctors from 14 to 19 November 2025. (85257)
- 35N **Dr Caroline Johnson** (Sleaford and North Hykeham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the number of (a) operations and (b) appointments that will be cancelled if resident doctors strike from 14 to 19 November 2025. (85258)
- 36N **Dr Caroline Johnson** (Sleaford and North Hykeham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation's report entitled Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) immunisation programme for adults aged 80 years and older: JCVI advice, published on 16 July 2025, whether the NHS is offering the respiratory syncytial virus vaccine to (a) all adults up to 80 years old and (b) all residents of adult care homes . (85259)
- 37N **Jayne Kirkham** (Truro and Falmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many of the 10,910 additional urgent dental appointments allocated to Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly Integrated Care Board have been delivered since April 2025. (85574)
- 38N **Laura Kyrke-Smith** (Aylesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of palliative care services in Aylesbury constituency. (85652)
- 39N **Sir Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the National Cancer Audit Collaborating Centre's report entitled National Prostate Cancer Audit State of the Nation Report 2025, published in October 2025, what assessment his Department has made of the geographical variation in men being (a) over-treated and (b) under-treated for prostate cancer; and what steps he is taking to address these issues. (85056)
- 40N **Mr Andrew Snowden** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps with the Chancellor of the Exchequer to remove VAT on defibrillators. (85384)
- 41N **Ms Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions she has had with her (a) Indian and (b) Pakistani counterparts on (i) human rights in Kashmir and (ii) the use of the death penalty. (85146)

- 42N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if she will make it her policy for the UK to advocate against a policy of Ukrainian appeasement towards Russia in diplomatic discussions with all other countries, for as long as it remains Ukraine's position to oppose appeasement. (85282)
- 43N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to foster dialogue between India and Pakistan on peace in Kashmir. (85192)
- 44N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to support (a) civilian conflict resolution and (b) peacebuilding funding. (85193)
- 45N **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 American counterpart on the detainment of Sami Hamdi by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement on 26 October 2025; and what steps she is taking to secure his immediate release. (85665)
- 46N **Brendan O'Hara** (Argyll, Bute and South Lochaber): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions she has had with her Iranian counterpart on the arrest of (a) Negar Misaghian and (b) Shakib Farzan; and what diplomatic steps she is taking to help ensure their release. (85178)
- 47N **Andy Slaughter** (Hammersmith and Chiswick): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if she will make an assessment of the potential implications for her policies of the report by the UN Secretary-General entitled Situation concerning Western Sahara, published on 30 September 2025. (85128)
- 48N **Andy Slaughter** (Hammersmith and Chiswick): 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 UN Secretary-General's report to the Security Council entitled Situation concerning Western Sahara, published on 30 September 2025; and if she will he call for the renewed United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara mandate to allow unhindered freedom of movement. (85129)
- 49N **Steff Aquarone** (North Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many skilled worker visas were sponsored by Jhoots Group before their removal from the register of licensed sponsors on 24 October 2025. (85485)
- 50N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when was the most recent evacuation under the (a) Afghan Citizens Resettlement Scheme and (b) Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy; and when are the next planned evacuations. (85329)

- 51N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when her Department will announce the pilot areas for Respect Orders. (85177)
- 52N **Ayoub Khan** (Birmingham Perry Barr): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what discussions her Department has had with (a) West Midlands Police on amending its risk assessment for the upcoming UEFA Europa League match between Aston Villa FC and Maccabi Tel Aviv FC and (b) Birmingham City Council's Safety Advisory Group on reversing its decision to ban away fans from attending. (85664)
- 53N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of support provided for families of serving personnel separating from their spouses. (85194)
- 54N **Stephen Gethins** (Arbroath and Broughty Ferry): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to provide stable family homes for children of serving military personnel whose parents have separated. (85195)
- 55N **Sir Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking enable veterans who were dismissed from the Armed Forces on the basis of their sexuality to have their service records amended to reflect their treatment. (85057)
- 56N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 20 October 2025 to Question 79413 on Nuclear Installations: Safety, what criteria define each classification of nuclear site event. (85429)
- 57N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many Eurofighter Typhoon aircraft will be delivered to Turkey in each year from 2030. (85430)
- 58N **Robin Swann** (South Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 27 October 2025 to Question 83992 on Defence: Northern Ireland, did the officials in the Northern Ireland Executive include (a) the Northern Ireland Economy Minister and (b) officials from the Department of the Economy in Northern Ireland. (85625)
- 59N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what recent steps he has taken with local councils to tackle the illegal use of fireworks in (a) Slough constituency and (b) Berkshire. (85271)
- 60N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 16 October to Question 78690 on Automatic Number Plate Recognition, whether his Department plans to change rules on the use of automatic number plate recognition in municipal car parks. (85357)
- 61N **Noah Law** (St Austell and Newquay): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether he is taking steps to ensure that site freeholders are financially responsible for fighting fires within derelict buildings. (85615)

- 62N **Robert Jenrick** (Newark): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many prisoners have been mistakenly released from custody since 1 April 2025; and how many of those prisoners (a) were subsequently re-apprehended and (b) are still at large. (85158)
- 63N **Robert Jenrick** (Newark): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many prisoners serving sentences for violent offences have been erroneously released since 1 April 2025. (85159)
- 64N **Robert Jenrick** (Newark): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many prisoners serving sentences for sexual offences have been erroneously released since 1 April 2025. (85160)
- 65N **Robert Jenrick** (Newark): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether any disciplinary action has been taken against (a) prison staff or (b) senior officials due to the erroneous release of prisoners since 1 April 2025. (85162)
- 66N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many prison officers have been suspended for mistakenly releasing prisoners early since 5 July 2024. (85418)
- 67N **Ben Obese-Jecty** (Huntingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many prisoners have been released from prison early in error since 5 July 2024. (85419)
- 68N **James Cartlidge** (South Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, pursuant to the Answer of 21 October 2025 to Question 82702 on Terrorism: Northern Ireland, what information he holds on the nine cases that will be able to be resumed. (85241)
- 69N **Robin Swann** (South Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, pursuant to the Answer of 27 October 2025 to Question 84511 on Business: Northern Ireland, of the £235 million ring-fenced transformation funding (a) how much has been allocated to each Northern Ireland Department and (b) what is the time scale for future allocations before the funding is withdrawn. (85624)
- 70N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Prime Minister, if he will make it his policy to ensure that the UK Government will continue not to place pressure on Ukraine to adopt a policy of appeasement against Russia. (85280)
- 71N **Alison Bennett** (Mid Sussex): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will take steps to remove VAT from defibrillator sales to help improve the levels of affordability for (a) community groups and (b) small businesses. (85594)
- 72N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, when she expects to receive the Payments Forward Plan under the National Payments Vision. (85107)

- 73N **Dame Caroline Dinenage** (Gosport): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to correspondence from the Exchequer Secretary to the Treasury to the Chair of the Association of International Retail dated October 15th 2025, on what evidential basis the Exchequer Secretary stated that tourism receipts in 2023 were 103 per cent of 2019 levels; and whether those figures related to tourism receipts for international tourism alone. (85135)
- 74N **Mr Richard Holden** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 24 October 2025 to Question 82402 on Airports: Business Rates, what the rateable value is of each airport that may be uprated; what the proposed revaluation from the Valuation Office Agency is for each airport; and which airports the Valuation Office Agency is receiving ongoing representations relating to. (85352)
- 75N **Noah Law** (St Austell and Newquay): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps her Department is taking to consider the needs of the visitor economy when assessing place-based funding decisions. (85616)

Questions for Answer on Monday 3 November

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the Government plans to (a) update or (b) consolidate the legal framework governing the rights of Irish citizens in the UK, including the (i) Ireland Act 1949 and (ii) post-Brexit guidance. (85603)
- 2N **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to support the growth of small and medium businesses in (a) Hexham constituency, (b) Northumberland, (c) Newcastle, (d) the North East and (e) England. (85392)
- 3N **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether his Department has had discussions with relevant stakeholders on supporting businesses to create well-paid jobs in (a) Hexham constituency, (b) Northumberland, (c) Newcastle, (d) the North East and (e) England. (85393)
- 4N **Robbie Moore** (Keighley and Ilkley): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the National Audit on Group-Based Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse, published in June 2025, what progress she has made on implementing recommendation 5. (85360)

- 5N **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much funding her Department plans to provide to schools that are not eligible for funding under the Connect the classroom programme for upgrading essential IT infrastructure. (85604)
- 6N **Ruth Jones** (Newport West and Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if she will create new regulatory protections from hazardous chemicals similar to those of the EU in the revised Environmental Improvement Plan. (85309)
- 7N **Vikki Slade** (Mid Dorset and North Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of recent appointments to the Food Strategy Advisory Board on (a) animal welfare, (b) farming practices and (c) farmers in Dorset. (85630)
- 8N **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what the threshold is for Natural England to investigate reported burns on deep peat. (85547)
- 9N **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps her Department is taking to support alternative network providers to deploy broadband in rural areas. (85390)
- 10N **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps her Department is taking to support alternative network providers to deploy broadband in (a) Hexham constituency, (b) Northumberland, (c) Newcastle, (d) the North East and (e) England. (85391)
- 11N **Robbie Moore** (Keighley and Ilkley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the National Audit on Group-Based Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse, published in June 2025, what progress she has made on implementing recommendation 11. (85361)
- 12N **Ruth Jones** (Newport West and Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, which active substances used in biocidal products are approved for use in the UK and not approved in the EU by (a) name of active substance, (b) product type (c) CAS Registry Number and (d) entity name. (85310)
- 13N **Ruth Jones** (Newport West and Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, which chemical substances have received EU Harmonised Classification and GB Mandatory Classification since 1 January 2021 by (a) chemical name, (b) European Community number, (c) CAS Registry Number, (d) EU harmonised classification (i) hazard class and category code and (ii) hazard statement code and (e) GB Mandatory Classification (i) Hazard class and category code, (ii) Hazard statement code and (iii) date of entry into legal effect. (85311)

- 14N **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many PIP claimants had active contracts with the Motability Scheme in each of the last five years by (a) primary disabling condition and (b) region. (85243)
- 15N **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many PIP claimants had active contracts with the Motability Scheme in each of the last five years by region. (85244)
- 16N **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many PIP claimants had active contracts with the Motability Scheme in (a) London, (b) the West Midlands Combined Authority, (c) Greater Manchester Combined Authority and (d) the Liverpool City Region in each of the last five years. (85245)
- 17N **Helen Whately** (Faversham and Mid Kent): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many PIP claimants had active contracts with the Motability Scheme in (a) Wales and (b) Northern Ireland in each of the last five years. (85246)
- 18N **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Gateshead South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with NHS trusts on providing meals for parents when their child is in hospital overnight. (85130)
- 19N **Ruth Jones** (Newport West and Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Answer of 16 June 2021 to Question 14142 on Chemicals: Health and Wildlife, when she expects the UK Health Security Agency to publish the biomonitoring data collected on the exposure of UK citizens to chemicals under (a) Horizon 2020, (b) the European Human Biomonitoring Initiative and (c) the Partnership for Chemicals Risk Assessment. (85312)
- 20N **Freddie van Mierlo** (Henley and Thame): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many patients accessed specialist weight management services operated by private providers through the Right to Choose pathway in the latest period for which data is available; and if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of funding provided to integrated care boards to support access to these services. (85605)
- 21N **Jim Allister** (North Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether her Department is taking steps to help support Christians in sub-Saharan Africa affected by (a) religious violence and (b) conflict. (85659)
- 22N **Jim Allister** (North Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what diplomatic steps her Department is taking to help tackle Christian persecution. (85660)
- 23N **Jim Allister** (North Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to help tackle (a) Fulani militants, (b) Boko Haram and (c) other Islamist extremists in Nigeria. (85661)

- 24N **Jim Allister** (North Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to (a) protect persecuted Christians and (b) promote religious freedom. (85662)
- 25N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions she has had with her Pakistani counterpart on the destruction of two Ahmadiyya places of worship in Chahur Mughliyan and Chahur Kotli on 2 September 2025. (85223)
- 26N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many Afghans were evacuated from Pakistan under the (a) Afghan Citizens Resettlement Scheme and (b) Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy each month from January 2025 to the latest month for which data is available. (85328)
- 27N **Robbie Moore** (Keighley and Ilkley): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the National Audit on Group-Based Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse, published in June 2025, what progress she has made on implementing recommendation 4. (85359)
- 28N **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what information her Department holds on the number of recorded crimes in which motability vehicles were identified as being involved, listed by each police force area. (85566)
- 29N **Vikki Slade** (Mid Dorset and North Poole): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate her Department has made of the cost of moving asylum seekers housed in hotels into disused military bases. (85631)
- 30N **Caroline Voaden** (South Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what process is in place to ensure mariners are notified of training mines set in UK waters. (85548)
- 31N **Robbie Moore** (Keighley and Ilkley): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the National Audit on Group-Based Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse, published in June 2025, what progress his Department has made on implementing recommendation 1. (85358)
- 32N **Jim Allister** (North Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, whether his Department held a pre-publication briefing of the Independent Review of the Windsor Framework with representatives of the Alliance Party. (85663)
- 33N **Vikki Slade** (Mid Dorset and North Poole): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure that the Financial Conduct Authority responds in full to complainants against companies it has given permits to operate. (85628)
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Questions for Answer on Tuesday 4 November

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Joe Morris** (Hexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many kinship carers are registered in Hexham constituency. (85389)
- 2N **Ian Sollom** (St Neots and Mid Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether integrated care boards will be given additional one-off funding for redundancy programmes to meet the 50% cost reduction target. (85431)
- 3N **Ian Sollom** (St Neots and Mid Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what guidance his Department has given to integrated care boards on covering redundancy programme costs. (85432)
- 4N **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what guidance she has issued to police forces on (a) recording and (b) investigating criminal offences involving Motability vehicles. (85569)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 5 November

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Joe Robertson** (Isle of Wight East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department holds information on the proportion of crimes involving Motability vehicles where the vehicle was used (a) by the registered Motability customer, (b) by another person with permission and (c) without the registered customer's consent. (85567)