

## Daily Report

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#### Notes:

Questions marked thus **[R]** indicate that a relevant interest has been declared.

Questions with identification numbers of **900000 or greater** indicate that the question was originally tabled as an oral question and has since been unstarred.

## ANSWERS

### CULTURE, MEDIA AND SPORT

#### ■ Nuisance Calls

**Tulip Siddiq:** [\[69166\]](#)

To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, how many complaints concerning (a) automated and (b) live telesales calls were received by the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) in 2016-17; how many fines were issued by the ICO against such offending companies in 2016-17; and how many of those fines were for the maximum possible amount.

**Matt Hancock:**

In the period from January 2016 to December 2016, the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) received (a) 71,192 complaints concerning automated calls and (b) 63,636 complaints concerning live telesales calls.

In the same period, 22 monetary penalties were issued by the ICO against organisations for breaches of the Privacy and Electronic Communications Regulations 2003. No organisation was fined the maximum monetary penalty of £500,000 by the ICO.

### EDUCATION

#### ■ Design and Technology: GCSE

**Tom Watson:** [\[69276\]](#)

To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she plans to take to promote take-up of GCSE design and technology in schools.

**Nick Gibb:**

The new design and technology GCSEs will be taught from September 2017, and will provide pupils with the knowledge required to progress to further study and employment.

The Government is committed to supporting the recruitment of design and technology teachers through bursaries of up to £12,000. In addition, subject knowledge enhancement courses are available for those candidates prior to commencing teacher training.

#### ■ ICT: GCE A-level

**Tom Watson:** [\[69576\]](#)

To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what proportion of A-level students took computer science in each year during the period 2005 to 2010.

**Nick Gibb:**

The computer science A level was renamed in 2015; previously it was known as computer studies A level. The table below therefore provides information on the proportion of students who have taken computer studies A level during the period 2004/5 to 2009/10.

YEAR	NUMBER OF STUDENTS WHO ENTERED AT LEAST ONE A LEVEL <sup>1</sup>	NUMBER OF STUDENTS WHO ENTERED COMPUTER STUDIES A LEVEL <sup>2</sup>	PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS WHO ENTERED COMPUTER STUDIES A LEVEL <sup>2</sup>
2004/05	263,265	5,931	2.2
2005/06	258,285	4,996	1.9
2006/07	249,547	4,599	1.8
2007/08	256,610	4,151	1.6
2008/09	261,218	3,923	1.5
2009/10	267,345	3,574	1.3

Source: Key Stage 5 attainment data

1. Covers students at the end of advanced level study who were aged 16-18 at the start of the academic year.
2. Following a review by Professor Smith, the A level “computer studies” was renamed “computer science” in 2013, as higher education representatives felt this was a better description of the subject.

■ **Pupils: Batley and Spen**

**Tracy Brabin:**[\[68352\]](#)

To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much (a) revenue and (b) capital funding was provided per pupil in state (i) primary and (ii) secondary schools in Batley and Spen constituency (A) in cash terms and (B) at 2017 prices in each financial year for the last 17 years.

**Nick Gibb:**

The Department primarily allocates capital and revenue funding at local authority level. Batley and Spen lies within Kirklees local authority, who are responsible for determining how this funding is distributed in their area.

The allocations listed below are for the five years from 2011-12. These include: devolved formula capital, school condition allocations and basic need allocations.

**(ALL VALUES  
£M)**

	<b>2011-12</b>	<b>2012-13</b>	<b>2013-15</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>2016-17</b>
Capital allocations	18.8	14	24.3	11.1	11.1

Funding distributed to academies and Multi Academy Trusts is not included, as they often allocate funding across LA boundaries.

More detail on funding for new free schools, university technical colleges and studio schools; on schools and school blocks being rebuilt under the Priority Schools Building Programmes; and funding allocated through the Condition Improvement Fund can be accessed via the links below:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/capital-funding-for-open-free-schools>.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/psbp-list-of-successful-applicants>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/priority-school-building-programme-2-list-of-successful-schools>

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/condition-improvement-fund>

The data for capital funding allocated to local areas prior to 2011-12 is not readily available.

The table in the attachment (Annex A) shows average per-pupil revenue funding figures from financial year 2000-01 to 2016-17. These figures are in cash terms.

Since 2011-12, schools have received the Pupil Premium which targets funding to help pupils from the most disadvantaged backgrounds achieve their full potential. Total Pupil Premium allocations for Kirklees local authority for each year are shown in the following table in cash terms:

**PUPIL****PREMIUM****ALLOCATIONS**

<b>(£ MILLIONS)</b>	<b>2011-12</b>	<b>2012-13</b>	<b>2013-14</b>	<b>2014-15</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>2016-17</b>
<b>Kirklees</b>	5.067	9.903	15.369	20.394	20.075	20.196

The Government publishes GDP deflators that can be used to understand the impact of inflation over time. These are available at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/gdp-deflators-at-market-prices-and-money-gdp-march-2017-spring-budget-2017>.

**Attachments:**

1. Attachment\_Annex\_A [68352 attachment.xlsx]

## ■ Schools: Admissions

**Steve McCabe:**

[\[69160\]](#)

To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what guidelines her Department provides on the steps for admissions authorities to take to accommodate disabled parents' requests when engaging with the school admissions decision-making process.

**Nick Gibb:**

The Department's guidance for schools on the Equality Act 2010 makes it clear that it is unlawful to discriminate against a pupil due to the disability of another person with whom the pupil is associated, such as a parent.

It is for individual admission authorities to decide which admissions oversubscription criteria to specify within the parameters of the School Admissions Code (The Code). The Code allows admission authorities to prioritise applications based on medical and/or social need. It does not specify that this must include a parent's medical needs or disability. Schools can, however, lawfully adopt admissions criteria that consider the disability of parents.

The Department is aware of case law which states that appeals about admissions will be successful if inflexible application of the published admission arrangements to the circumstances of a particular child results in an admission decision which is perverse. We are currently considering how to ensure that admission authorities and independent appeal panels are aware of the relevant case law.

## JUSTICE

## ■ Criminal Proceedings: Fees and Charges

**Tulip Siddiq:**

[\[69204\]](#)

To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many people owe funds in criminal courts charge impositions; and what the total amount of outstanding debt is owed in criminal courts charges.

**Mr Sam Gyimah:**

It is not possible to identify how many people still owe criminal courts charge without incurring disproportionate costs.

The total value of outstanding criminal courts charge, as at end of December 2016, is £41,693,405.

## ■ Television: Licensing

**Grant Shapps:**

[\[68993\]](#)

To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how much was accrued to the public purse from prosecutions for television licence offences in the last five years for which data is available; and what the cost to HM Courts and Tribunals Service was of those prosecutions.

**Sir Oliver Heald:**

HM Courts and Tribunals Service does not hold this information centrally.

## MINISTERIAL CORRECTIONS

### JUSTICE

#### ■ Promession

**Dr Rosena Allin-Khan:**

[\[59264\]](#)

To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether local authorities are permitted to offer promession services to bereaved families; and if she will make a statement.

**An error has been identified in the written answer given on 18 January 2017. The correct answer should have been:**

**Dr Phillip Lee:**

Promession involves neither burial nor the burning of human remains and is therefore outside the scope of the existing legislation **on burials and cremation. However, local authorities may offer the process, provided that they comply with other relevant legislation, such as environmental legislation.** As such, it is not something that local authorities can offer.

### TRANSPORT

#### ■ CH2M Hill

**Mrs Cheryl Gillan:**

[\[63303\]](#)

To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much funding has been paid to CH2M by (a) his Department and (b) HS2 Ltd in each financial year since 2009.

**An error has been identified in the written answer given on 9 February 2017. The correct answer should have been:**

**Andrew Jones:**

~~CH2M Hill~~ **CH2M (formerly known as CH2M Hill)** has played a crucial role on all aspects of the development of the HS2 project. The company has provided project and programme management, engineering and environmental expertise and resource and was the driving force behind the preparation and passage of the Phase 1 hybrid bill. This phase of their work came to an end in December 2016. In 2016, ~~in a 50/50 partnership with Atkins, CH2M Hill~~ **a partnership of CH2M (50%), Atkins (40%) and SENER (10%),** was appointed as the phase 1 Engineering Delivery Partner for the delivery phase of the HS2 project, providing expert engineering support for all aspects of HS2 Ltd's work.

Since 2011 HS2 Ltd has made the following payments to CH2M ~~Hill~~.

Development Partner contract:

CALENDAR YEAR	PAYMENTS IN FINANCIAL YEAR (EXCL VAT)
2011/12	£1,438,120
2012/13	£14,371,903
2013/14	£17,058,089
2014/15	£25,334,600
2015/16	£32,454,382
2016/17	£9,493,030

Engineering Delivery Partner contract:

CALENDAR YEAR	PAYMENTS IN FINANCIAL YEAR (EXCL VAT)
2016/17	£4,062,843