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Question

To ask the Secretary of State, Department for Business, Innovation and Skills, how many (a) prosecutions and (b) investigations of postmasters instigated by Post Office Ltd as a result of apparent financial irregularities on the Horizon computer system have subsequently been abandoned. (77794)

To ask the Secretary of State, Department for Business, Innovation and Skills, how many complaints Post Office Ltd has received from subpostmasters concerning difficulties with the Horizon computer system in each of the last five years. (77795) To ask the Secretary of State, Department for Business, Innovation and Skills, whether any operational faults have been identified with the Horizon computer system used by Post Office Ltd since its introduction; and what action has been taken to resolve any such faults. (77796)

To ask the Secretary of State, Department for Business, Innovation and Skills, what the monetary value is in current prices of the (a) original estimate and (b) final cost of the Post Office Horizon computer system; and what additional costs at current prices have been incurred since its completion. (77797)

Draft Answer

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Operational responsibility for the Post Office Horizon computer system rests with the company. I have therefore asked Paula Vennells, the managing director of Post Office Ltd, to respond directly to the right hon. Member and a copy of her reply will be placed in the Libraries of the House.

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