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- Strengthening the right to request flexible working, and extending it to parents of children up to 18.
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- Committing sufficient resources to the current review of the National Carers' Strategy to deliver significant gains for carers.
- Extending the reach of Carer's Allowance to more low paid working carers.

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