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New EDMs

1380 Medical research and development teams' work on the covid-19 vaccine and other matters

Tabled: 20/01/21 Signatories: 3

Jim Shannon Paul Girvan Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson

That this House notes the tremendous work undertaken by medical research and development teams over these difficult months during the covid-19 outbreak; recognises the vital work that has been carried out in the search for a covid-19 vaccine which has been noteworthy but further recognises the work on cancer, dementia and diabetes research among other work areas; and thanks these heroes who have carried out their essential work thus far and who will continue to carry out their work on the path to making a real difference to the health and well-being of so many in our nation.

1381 Cervical Cancer Prevention Week (No. 3)

Tabled: 20/01/21 Signatories: 4

Jim Shannon Carla Lockhart Paul Girvan Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson

That this House notes that Cervical Cancer Prevention Week runs from 18 to 24 January in 2021; recognises the difficulties presented by the interruption of regular cancer screening as a result of the covid-19 pandemic; underlines the fact that cervical cancer screening is essential for every woman; and encourages women to take the emphatic advice of GP surgeries, cervical cancer

charities and the Department of Health and Social Care to make an appointment for cervical cancer screening on the understanding that it will take place in a covid-safe and sterile environment.

1382 **180**th anniversary of the founding of modern Hong Kong

Tabled: 20/01/21 Signatories: 1

Andrew Rosindell

That this House notes that the 26th of January 2021 marks the 180th anniversary of the modern founding of Hong Kong; recognises the significant historical ties between the UK and Hong Kong; celebrates the unique history, traditions and culture of Hong Kong and its people; commends the opening of the BN(O) visa scheme on 31st January 2021; looks forward to the significant cultural, economic, and social contribution Hongkongers will bring to the UK in coming years; invites the UK Government and all political parties to welcome those who come to this country from Hong Kong to escape the iron heel of Chinese Communist tyranny being stamped down upon that city which formerly enjoyed a high degree of autonomy; and encourages all nations which cherish freedom, democracy and the rule of law to follow the lead of the UK by reaching out to the beleaguered people of Hong Kong to offer them a home and a safe place of sanctuary.

1383 Free school meals and child poverty

Tabled: 20/01/21 Signatories: 1

Patricia Gibson

That this House recognises the important role that healthy, nutritious meals play in supporting a child's education and the need to ensure that these meals continue to be available to children throughout the covid-19 pandemic; asserts that access to free school meal provision is an essential tool in tackling the attainment gap and supporting children's learning; notes that many children do not grow up in environments conducive to covid-19 lockdown learning, with overcrowded accommodation, limited access to the internet and other resources, and a lack of access to nutritious food, impacting on their ability to concentrate and learn effectively; welcomes the recent announcement by the Scottish Government that, from August 2022, Scotland will be the first nation in the UK to provide free school meals to all children in primary schools and is committed to using its limited powers to tackle the scourge of child poverty, with measures such as the introduction of the Scottish Child Payment, described by the Scottish Child Poverty Action Group as a game-changer in tackling child poverty; realises that while the provision of free school meals is an important tool in tackling child hunger, it must be part of a wider plan to tackle child poverty, to ensure that every child is able to realise their full potential; and calls on the UK Government to publish a Child Poverty Action Plan to finally combat the shameful fact that around 30 per cent of children in the UK live in poverty.

Human security and the Integrated Review of Security, Defence, Development and Foreign Policy

Tabled: 20/01/21 Signatories: 1

Wera Hobhouse

That this House welcomes the upcoming Integrated Review of Security, Defence, Development and Foreign Policy; notes with concern the changing nature of global threats to the UK, including irreversible climate change, emerging artificial intelligence and the risk of increased frequency and size of global pandemics; highlights that many of these threats could cause far greater disruption to the lives of UK citizens than traditional military threats; emphasises that unforeseen developments

of this nature can occur at pace and must be pre-emptively addressed; believes that the Integrated Review is an opportunity to reframe the UK's approach to defence and security to ensure future generations are protected; and calls on the Government to champion an inclusive, positive vision of global and local security.

1385 Universal credit uplift

Patricia Gibson

That this House recognises the profound impact that the covid-19 pandemic has had on the economy and the labour market, forcing many to rely on welfare benefits to survive at this difficult time; notes the importance that the temporary uplift to universal credit of £20 per week has played in providing a lifeline for those struggling financially and registers its deep concern at plans to remove this vital support; further notes that the Joseph Rowntree Foundation has estimated that if this temporary uplift is withdrawn, it will remove over £1000 a year from 6 million households, reducing the incomes of the bottom fifth of the population by 7 per cent overnight; understands that this will leave many unable to afford basic necessities such as housing costs, food and heating; recognises that after a four year benefit freeze, as well as the numerous challenges posed by the universal credit system, such as the five-week wait before payments are made, have created huge pressure on the budgets of the most vulnerable, leaving many trapped in debt and despair; and calls on the Government to end the uncertainty faced by millions of households and ensure that this temporary uplift in universal credit is made permanent to avoid a financial cliff-edge for claimants at the end of March 2021 and to commit to a longer term strategy to tackle the shameful levels of poverty across the UK.

1386 Covid-19 vaccination of Palestinians in the occupied territories

Tabled: 20/01/21 Signatories: 1

Tabled: 20/01/21

Nadia Whittome

That this House notes that after more than 53 years of occupation, Israeli authorities have an obligation to fully respect the human rights of Palestinians in the occupied territories, including their right to health; notes the Israeli government's duties under the Forth Geneva Convention to ensure medical supplies, including to combat the spread of pandemics, within occupied territories; notes that the United Nations has confirmed that the Israeli government is legally obliged to protect the right to health and other rights of the populations in the occupied territories; notes concerns raised by a number of human rights organisations and the World Health Organisation regarding the Israeli government's lack of action in vaccinating Palestinians in the occupied territories; expresses alarm at the unjust and stark contrast between Israeli citizens, including settlers in the West Bank, who are receiving Covid-19 vaccinations at one of the most rapid rates in the world and the unprotected and vulnerable state of Palestinians in the occupied territories who will not begin to receive the vaccine for several months; and urges the British government to use all diplomatic and foreign aid routes to address this disparity and uphold the human rights of the 4.5 million people living in the occupied territories.

1387 Workers' rights

Liz Saville Roberts

This House expresses deep concern over the Government's decision to review the "working time directive" implemented by the Working Time Regulations 1998; notes that amongst other

Tabled: 20/01/21 Signatories: 1

achievements the Directive gave UK workers a statutory right to paid annual leave for the first time; further notes that the Government is yet to present its promised Employment Bill to enshrine EU employment law in the UK post-transition; and calls on the Government to present its new Employment Bill to honour its pledge made in the Queen's speech that workers' rights would be "protected and enhanced".

Added Names

Below are EDMs tabled in the last two weeks to which names have been added. Only the first 6 names and any new names are included.

1316 Support for education support staff during covid-19 outbreak

Tabled: **6/01/21** Signatories: 27

Tabled: 6/01/21

Signatories: 19

Kim Johnson Paula Barker **Mick Whitley Rachel Hopkins** Ben Lake John McDonnell

Grahame Morris

That this House recognises that the invisible workforce of over half a million school support staff, including teaching and classroom assistants, SEND support workers, caterers, cleaners and caretakers have been crucial to keeping schools running throughout the pandemic; notes that they have provided invaluable pastoral and educational support to the most vulnerable children in the face of unprecedented challenges and at great risk to their own safety; Unison, who represent over 350,000 educational support staff, note that these staff are more likely to be Black women, agency workers and on low pay; and calls for the provision of adequate PPE, priority access to vaccination and financial support from the government to ensure that no worker - including agency workers - has to self-isolate or take time off sick on less than their full salary, effectively putting public health at risk by forcing workers to choose between their own health and putting food on the table.

1317 **Deposit Return Scheme**

Andrew Gwynne Hilary Benn Kevin Brennan Ben Lake **Caroline Lucas** Liz Saville Roberts

Grahame Morris

That this House notes that the UK is in the midst of a catastrophic waste crisis and that, according to Keep Britain Tidy, over two million pieces of litter are dropped in the UK every day; recognises that drinks containers contribute to the crisis; notes that a Deposit Return Scheme for drinks containers in England, Wales and Northern Ireland will help fight Britain's waste crisis; recognises that Nordic countries have best-in-class Deposit Return Scheme models inclusive of all materials with a deposit fee that varies according to the size and material of the container, and that these countries benefit from recycling rates higher than 90 percent; strongly supports the introduction of a Deposit Return

Scheme for England, Wales and Northern Ireland that mirrors the tried and tested Nordic model; and calls on the Government to follow the example of these nations and introduce a world-class scheme in 2023.

1320 **Death of Jim McLean**

Stewart Hosie Chris Law Kirsten Oswald Jonathan Edwards Stephen Flynn Steven Bonnar

Grahame Morris

That this House notes with sadness the passing of Dundee United legend Jim McLean, the team's most successful manager; recognises the huge contribution Jim made to the club, leading the Arabs to a Premier League win, UEFA Cup final, European Cup semi-final and two league cup wins; pays tribute to the incredible legacy he left in Dundee; and extends its most sincere sympathy to Jim's family, Dundee United and to the tens of thousands of fans in Dundee and across Scotland mourning this loss.

1326 Support for hospitality businesses

Dr Rupa Huq Caroline Lucas Sir Peter Bottomley Clive Lewis Navendu Mishra

Jonathan Edwards

Hilary Benn

That this House notes with alarm that the hospitality sector suffered 297,000 job losses between February and November 2020 according to Office for National Statistics data; recognises the immense efforts and sacrifices hospitality business owners, including many from BME backgrounds, have made to keep their premises covid-19 secure prior to the latest lockdown; observes with concern that many pubs are now on the brink of extinction; believes that the Chancellor of the Exchequer's offer of extra business support does not go far enough, a position echoed by representatives from the CBI, BCC and the Federation of Small Businesses (FSB); urges the Government to extend the job retention scheme to the end of the second quarter and remove the business rate relief cliff edge in April; and calls on the Government to meet UK hospitality representatives to establish a roadmap to recovery for the sector in 2021.

Tabled: 11/01/21 Signatories: 39

Tabled: 6/01/21

1339 **Tech industry unionisation**

Tabled: 12/01/21 Signatories: 30

Clive Lewis
Claudia Webbe
Jonathan Edwards
Rachel Hopkins
John McDonnell
Navendu Mishra

Bell Ribeiro-Addy

That this House welcomes and celebrates the creation of the Alphabet Workers Union and the unionisation of hundreds of Google workers in Silicon Valley; condemns the victimisation and harassment of any worker that is seeking to have their basic right to organise and collective bargaining recognised, and aggressive behaviour by companies in the tech industry that dissuades and prevents workers from unionising; notes that Google hired a consultancy known for anti-union activity, and the US National Labor Relations Board's complaint against Google which includes accusations of illegally spying on employees, and firing employees for attempting to unionise; recognises the growing power of the tech industry, its expansion into civic space, and the largely unregulated control tech companies have over online speech, privacy, and personal data; supports the extension of democracy into workplaces through unionisation and the progressive influence workers can have on tech companies; and calls on the Secretary of State for International Trade and President of the Board of Trade to publicly support Google's employees in trade negotiations with the US Government, and to advocate in these negotiations that the USA raises its labour standards and strengthens the rights of all workers, including the right to unionise.

1342 The death of Mohamud Mohammed Hassan

Tabled: 12/01/21 Signatories: 11

Liz Saville Roberts Hywel Williams Ben Lake Claudia Webbe John McDonnell Alison Thewliss

Jim Shannon

That this House mourns the death of Mohamud Mohammed Hassan following his release without charge from police custody in Cardiff on 9 January 2020; offers its deepest condolences to Mr Hassan's family and friends; notes that South Wales Police has, as is standard practice following a death after police contact, self-referred to the Independent Office for Police Conduct; calls for a full and transparent investigation into the circumstances of Mr Hassan's death; recognises legitimate concerns arising from evidence that people of Black and Ethnic Minority ethnicity die at a disproportionately higher rate as a result of the use of force or restraint by police; and calls for systematic and institutional change to end racial discrimination within the criminal justice system.

1345 Travellers' Allowances and Miscellaneous Provisions

Tabled: 12/01/21 Signatories: 10

Ian Blackford Alison Thewliss Gavin Newlands Kirsten Oswald Patrick Grady Chris Law

Jim Shannon

That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Travellers' Allowances and Miscellaneous Provisions (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1412), dated 3 December 2020, a copy of which was laid before this House on 3 December 2020, be annulled.

1346 Statement of Changes in Immigration Rules

Tabled: 12/01/21 Signatories: 15

Ian Blackford Stuart C McDonald Kirsten Oswald Joanna Cherry Kenny MacAskill Patrick Grady

Jim Shannon

That the Statement of Changes in Immigration Rules (House of Commons Paper No. 1043), a copy of which was laid before this House on 10 December, be disapproved.

1350 Cervical Cancer Prevention Week (No. 2) (No. 2)

Tabled: 13/01/21 Signatories: 21

Dr Lisa Cameron Drew Hendry Allan Dorans Jim Shannon Joanna Cherry Caroline Lucas

Andrew Gwynne

This House notes that the week commencing 18th January 2021 is Cervical Cancer Prevention Week, which provides a valuable opportunity to raise awareness of the disease and preventative measures including cervical screenings; recognises that attending cervical screenings is important, but not always easy, and that uncertainty and anxiety around covid-19 has worsened this; emphasises the need to accelerate pilots and research around self-sampling to improve access; highlights that Jo's Cervical Cancer Trust is providing continuous information and support; and encourages all Members to share resources with concerned constituents during this week and in the future.

1354 **AVATAR2 Therapy for auditory hallucinations**

Tabled: 14/01/21 Signatories: 8

Dr Lisa Cameron Owen Thompson Allan Dorans Hywel Williams Liz Saville Roberts Ben Lake

Jim Shannon

That this House recognises that mental health treatment and support has never been more important; acknowledges AVATAR therapy as a new approach to working with people experiencing distressing auditory hallucinations; notes the success of the first trial in South London and the launch of the new multi-site trial of AVATAR2 at Glasgow University, Manchester University, University College London and Kings College London supported by the Wellcome Trust, under the esteemed leadership of Professors Philippa Garety, Tom Craig, Andrew Gumley, Hamish McLeod, Sandra Bucci, Gillian Haddock and Dr. Miriam Fornells-Ambrojo; and welcomes that digital approaches will increase access to psychological interventions for people who require mental health treatment, particularly during the covid19 outbreak.

1355 Contribution of Havering Volunteer Centre to the response to the covid-19 outbreak

Tabled: 14/01/21 Signatories: 3

Andrew Rosindell Jon Cruddas Jim Shannon

That this House expresses its thanks for the efforts of the Havering Volunteer Centre who have worked tirelessly throughout the covid-19 outbreak; recognises that during the pandemic, the Havering Voluntary Centre has operated or contributed to NHS operations in Romford and across the London Borough of Havering, including with the rollout of the vaccines and PCR Kit Testing Sites; commends the Havering Voluntary Centre for co-ordinating the delivery food hampers at Christmas to vulnerable and isolated residents; notes that those services provided a significant source of support to so many people in need, including those shielding; and expresses its gratitude to the team at Havering Voluntary Centre and all their volunteers for doing so much to support the community during the pandemic.

1356 Death of Adnan Miyasar, founder member of Fife Arabic Society

Tabled: 14/01/21 Signatories: 15

Peter Grant Neale Hanvey Anne McLaughlin Alison Thewliss John Nicolson Chris Stephens

Jim Shannon

That this House records its sadness at the death of Adnan Miyasar of Kirkcaldy; expresses its appreciation of his decades of service towards race relations in his adopted home of Fife, in particular through the work of Fife Arabic Society which he helped to found in 2000, as a former

chair of FRAE Fife (Fairness, Race Awareness & Equality), and as an active volunteer with several other organisations; commends the work of Fife Arabic Society in fostering community relations in Fife and further afield; notes in particular the Society's key role in supporting Syrian refugees who have been welcomed into Fife; recognises the pain felt by Adnan's family at being unable to spend more time with him during his lengthy illness; and offers its deepest condolences to those who mourn his loss.

1357 H100 Fife and the green hydrogen project

Tabled: 14/01/21 Signatories: 7

Peter Grant
Owen Thompson
Allan Dorans
Neale Hanvey
Chris Law
Alison Thewliss

Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates SGN on securing funding from the Scottish Government and Ofgem to deliver H100 – Fife, the first project of its kind in the world which will see customers being offered 100 per cent green hydrogen energy to heat their homes; notes that the project will initially benefit around 300 homes and in time will increase to provide energy to heat 1000 homes; further notes that the project has the potential to create over 200,000 green jobs and attract over £170 billion of private sector investment globally; recognises that H100 – Fife will provide critical evidence for hydrogen's role in the pathway to net zero; notes that the project will lay the foundations for a large-scale rollout of hydrogen through the gas grid to help achieve net zero by 2045 in Scotland; and welcomes the decision for this project to be undertaken in Methil to continue to progress towards a more sustainable society by establishing the UK's first hydrogen town by the end of the decade.

1358 InchDairnie Distillery in Kinglassie and innovations in sustainability

Tabled: 14/01/21 Signatories: 6

Peter Grant Allan Dorans Neale Hanvey Chris Law Alison Thewliss Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates InchDairnie Distillery in becoming the first single malt distillery in Scotland to publish its Carbon Footprint Report in order to encourage debate on how carbon footprints for the whisky industry should be calculated; recognises that in publishing that report, with assistance from Scottish Enterprise, they aim to push for a consistent approach to sustainability across the whisky industry; further congratulates InchDairnie Distillery on being awarded £71,812 in funding from the UK Government's Green Distilleries Phase 1 competition so that they can develop their feasibility study, Decarbonising the InchDairnie Distillery; notes their support for the Scottish Whisky Association's environmental strategy and praises their endeavours in helping to achieve the aims set out in that plan; highlights the collection of rainwater and recycling waste energy as some of the ways the distillery aims to achieve this; and commends John Fergus and Company on their efforts in making InchDairnie Distillery a sustainable business, leading the way for the whisky industry to contribute to the UK and Scotland's net zero targets.

1359 Statutory Sick Pay uplift

Tabled: 14/01/21 Signatories: 15

Liz Saville Roberts Claudia Webbe Allan Dorans Jonathan Edwards Mohammad Yasin Patricia Gibson

Jim Shannon Grahame Morris

That this Houses notes that Statutory Sick Pay is currently £95.85 per week, which is one of the lowest rates in Europe; further notes that this is approximately 19 per cent of average UK weekly earnings; expresses concern at research conducted on behalf of the TUC which suggests that approximately one fifth of workers forced to self-isolate during the covid-19 outbreak and unable to work from home have received no sick pay or wages; recognises that ensuring workers have the financial support necessary to self-isolate is vital for the effectiveness of the test, trace and isolate system; further recognises that Wales has been under full lockdown since 20 December 2020; is concerned that the UK Government has yet to confirm the continuation of the universal credit uplift; and calls on the Government to immediately increase Statutory Sick Pay to the level of the Real Living Wage and commit to the continuation of the universal credit uplift.

1360 Itihaas and Radhuni free food distribution in Midlothian

Tabled: 14/01/21 Signatories: 6

Owen Thompson Allan Dorans Neale Hanvey Patrick Grady Chris Law Jim Shannon

That this House commends Midlothian-based restaurants Itihaas and Radhuni for giving out free food to people working on the front line during the covid-19 pandemic; notes that this offer is open to teachers, postmen and women, delivery drivers and supermarket staff as well as police, fire brigade and ambulance workers, NHS staff and care workers, as well as people employed elsewhere in the hospitality industry; understands that this is being funded by a new Government grant with the intention of distributing the benefit widely; and highlights the important role that businesses can play in supporting their communities and fellow businesses through difficult times.

1361 Access to cash during the covid-19 outbreak

Tabled: 14/01/21 Signatories: 20

Jamie Stone Margaret Ferrier Owen Thompson Patricia Gibson Mr Alistair Carmichael Hywel Williams

Jim Shannon Tim Farron

That this House commends the LINK commitment to replace all free-to-use ATMs within their network during the covid-19 pandemic; in addition acknowledges that cuts to the interchange fee have led to the closure of thousands of free-to-use ATMs; notes that this has affected rural

communities most profoundly as alternative sources of cash demand a consumer-met fee or are bound by the closing hours of stores or post offices; further notes that this disproportionally affects the vulnerable and older populations who are increasingly becoming excluded from their local economies as long-distance travel for cash or the use of digital monies is unviable; and calls on the Government to work with the Payment Systems Regulator and Financial Conduct Authority to devise a tiered or zoned interchange fee to ensure that ATM infrastructure funding is distributed fairly throughout the UK and protects ATMs in all communities, despite their population and withdrawal volume levels.

1362 Sight loss helpline

Owen Thompson Steven Bonnar Allan Dorans Marion Fellows Patricia Gibson Anne McLaughlin

Jim Shannon

That this House welcomes the launch of a new helpline providing support to people with sight loss and their families in the Lothians; notes that the helpline is part of Sight Scotland's new Family Wellbeing Service, which aims to tackle an identified gap in support as the charity reaches out to even more people affected by sight loss in Scotland; and encourages people affected by sight loss, as well as carers, friends and families who have a loved one affected by sight loss to contact that helpline.

1363 Godfrey Colin Cameron

Tabled: 14/01/21 Signatories: 135

Tabled: 14/01/21

Chris Stephens [R] Grahame Morris John McDonnell Rachel Hopkins Paula Barker Bell Ribeiro-Addy

Kate Green Jim Shannon

That this House is deeply saddened by news of the death of Godfrey Colin Cameron, a hardworking member of Parliamentary security staff and member of the PCS trade union who passed away aged just 55 after contracting covid-19; extends our sincere condolences to his devoted wife Hyacinth, children Leon and Renee, his sisters Arlene and Cynthia, his brother, Carlton, and fellow members of the PCS; notes that Godfrey was a private man who showed selfless care for the others, hoped to retire to his late parents' homeland of Jamaica and was a fanatical fan of Liverpool FC; sends our deepest sympathies to all those who knew and worked with Godfrey, and our heartfelt thanks for the contribution of all those workers who have continued to serve the public during this public health crisis, and calls on the House authorities to work with trade union representatives to undertake an updated risk assessment in relation to health and safety on the Parliamentary estate, and take all appropriate measures to help keep staff safe.

1364 Emeritus Bishop of Dunkeld Diocese Vincent Logan, 1941-2021

Tabled: 18/01/21 Signatories: 10

Dave Doogan Kirsten Oswald Amy Callaghan Brendan O'Hara Allan Dorans Martin Docherty-Hughes

Chris Law Jim Shannon

That this House notes with sadness the death of Emeritus Bishop of Dunkeld Diocese Vincent Logan at the age of 79, recognises that Dunkeld Diocese covers parishes across Angus, Dundee, Perthshire, Clackmannanshire and North East Fife; understands that Bishop Logan's passing followed the day after the Archbishop of Glasgow, Philip Tartaglia, also passed away; notes that Bishop Logan was, upon his episcopal ordination in 1981 at the age of 39, once one of the youngest bishops in the world and commends the compassion and energy that he brought to his position; and extends its sympathy and condolences to all in the Diocese of Dunkeld who knew and were close to Bishop Logan including his successor Bishop Stephen Robson and to the wider Scottish Catholic community who have experienced two sad and significant losses in a very short space of time.

1365 Fuel poverty (No. 2)

Tabled: 18/01/21 Signatories: 21

Kim Johnson Claudia Webbe Rachel Hopkins Paula Barker Mick Whitley Navendu Mishra

Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck Sir Mark Hendrick Jon Trickett
Jim Shannon Mr Virendra Sharma Grahame Morris
Bell Ribeiro-Addy

That this House notes that recent research from the Citizens Advice Bureau has identified that more than 2 million households are behind on their energy payments, with a quarter of all energy customers worried that they won't be able to pay their bill this winter; further notes that before the pandemic 1 in 10 households in the UK were already living in fuel poverty; notes that during the last lockdown energy bills soared by an estimated 37 per cent, and that this lockdown they will likely go higher due to winter weather; further notes that children in low income families are faced with additional barriers to their education by studying in freezing homes as parents struggle with the financial burdens of round the clock fuel bills; and calls on the Government to offer immediate debt relief to all households most in need by extending the winter fuel payment to all families receiving Universal Credit and on furlough during the lockdown, and to commit to permanently extending the £20 Universal Credit uplift.

1366 Safer PPE and FFP3 masks for healthcare workers

Tabled: **18/01/21** Signatories: **25**

Geraint Davies Bell Ribeiro-Addy Zarah Sultana Clive Efford Apsana Begum Ian Byrne

Sarah Olney

Mr Virendra Sharma

That this House salutes the contribution of all healthcare professionals to combating the COVID-19 pandemic; recognises that with 49,000 healthcare professionals off work ill with COVID-19 some 13,000 more than the number of hospital inpatients with the disease, the environments in which they are working may be putting them at risk of contracting the virus; is concerned that not all healthcare professionals have access to the appropriate level of personal protective equipment (PPE) they need to keep themselves and their patients safe; notes that the British Medical Association, the Royal College of Nursing, the Aerosol Generating Procedure (AGP) Alliance, and Fresh Air NHS - representing hundreds of thousands of frontline staff - are all calling for better PPE for healthcare professionals, including for those not working in intensive care units; calls on the Government as a matter of urgency to ensure that all frontline healthcare workers working with confirmed or suspected COVID-19 patients have immediate access to FFP3 masks; and calls on the Government urgently to commission an immediate, safety-first review of PPE guidance based on the environmental risks to healthcare staff in their workplaces and not just the risks inherent in the procedures they undertake.

1367 Leicester's garment industry

Tabled: 18/01/21 Signatories: 15

Claudia Webbe Apsana Begum Richard Burgon Lloyd Russell-Moyle Kate Osborne Zarah Sultana

Jim Shannon

Sammy Wilson

That this House is appalled by the resurgence of attention on the scandal of workplace exploitation and failure to pay the national minimum wage in Leicester's garment industry; expresses alarm that successive governments have been aware of this exploitation for over a decade yet have failed to act; is concerned that little action has been taken in 2020 to protect workers in Leicester's garment industry; calls on Boohoo and other large garment corporations to sign the Transparency Pledge, end the race to the bottom in its supply chain and recompense underpaid workers; is shocked by The British Retail Consortium's estimation that workers in Leicester's apparel manufacturing are underpaid a total of £2.1 million per week; calls on HMRC to investigate the extent of money laundering and VAT fraud within the sector; urges the government to reverse the underfunding of regulatory institutions including HMRC, the HSE and local authorities; further urges the government to introduce legislation to regulate the fashion retailer purchasing practices; calls for the GLAA to establish a firewall between immigration enforcement and employment rights enforcement; recognises that Trade Unions are the best line of defence against workplace exploitation and the need for unions to be granted access to workplaces, be involved in labour market inspections and for the scope of collective bargaining rights to be widened; and calls on private companies,

regulatory bodies and the Government to begin approaching this crisis with the ambition and urgency it demands.

1368 Samaritans Brew Monday

Tabled: 18/01/21 Signatories: 8

David Linden Steven Bonnar Amy Callaghan Allan Dorans Alison Thewliss Drew Hendry

Chris Law Jim Shannon

That this House praises the Samaritans' Brew Monday campaign which is raising awareness for the impact of Blue Monday, the third Monday in January, which typically causes low mental health for many people; highlights the effects of the covid-19 pandemic and lockdown on people's mental health, with many people experiencing isolation and loneliness; encourages people to meet virtually over a cup of tea and a conversation; understands the importance of connecting over the phone to our friends, family and colleagues at this tough time; and reassures that despite this tough time there is hope ahead and light at the end of the tunnel with the covid-19 vaccination scheme.

1370 Made in Midlothian grant award

Tabled: 18/01/21 Signatories: 5

Owen Thompson Allan Dorans Drew Hendry Chris Law Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates Made in Midlothian on being awarded £30,000 from Creative Scotland's Youth Arts Small Grants Scheme; notes that Made in Midlothian is a Community Interest Company set up to help members of the community enjoy, explore and celebrate the creative arts in Midlothian; further notes that this award is part of the Scottish Government Covid-19 Emergency Fund to support the arts; understands that the award will be delivered in partnership with Midlothian Voluntary Action to support artists in applying and connecting with local groups to provide arts activities; and looks forward to Made in Midlothian's plans to deliver a digital showcase in March 2022 to celebrate the creations from the programme.

1371 Commemoration of the 31st year of the genocide of Hindus (Kashmiri Pandits) from Jammu and Kashmir, India

Tabled: 18/01/21 Signatories: 4

Bob Blackman Mr Virendra Sharma Sir Mike Penning Jim Shannon

That this House commemorates with deep sadness and disappointment, the 31st anniversary of the attack in January 1990 by cross-border Islamic militants on the population of Jammu and Kashmir; expresses its condolences to the families and friends of all those who were killed, raped and injured

in this massacre; condemns the desecration of the holiest sites in Jammu and Kashmir; is concerned that the Kashmiris who fled persecution have still not seen justice for the atrocities committed against them; commends the resilience and courage shown by the members of Kashmiri Pandit community who survived this gruesome ethnic genocide and who did not resort to taking up arms but instead pursued education and aspiration; deplores those sponsoring such cross-border terrorist attacks and demands that such attacks cease immediately; further notes that the international principle of the responsibility to protect obliges individual states and the international community to take effective measures to prevent the commission of genocide and crimes against humanity as suffered by the Kashmiri Hindu community; and urges the Government of India to fulfil its long-standing international commitment to recognise and acknowledge the worst form of genocide of Hindus in Jammu and Kashmir and enact the proposed Panun Kashmir Genocide Crime Punishment and Atrocities Prevention Bill in the Indian Parliament, therefore delivering the long awaited justice for the Kashmiri Pandits in exile.

1372 UK citizenship for the Windrush generation

Tabled: 18/01/21 Signatories: 25

Dawn Butler Claudia Webbe Carol Monaghan Zarah Sultana Kate Osborne Margaret Ferrier

Mick Whitley Mr Virendra Sharma Tommy Sheppard

Marion Fellows Sammy Wilson

That this House deplores the Home Office's treatment of those of the Windrush Generation and their families; notes that many residents through no fault of their own still await the restoration of citizenship; further notes that many are still waiting for compensation for the actions made by the Home Office such as the destruction of landing cards; notes that due to these mistakes many of the Windrush Generation have been unfairly deported or detained, lost employment, denied access to the NHS and refused re-entry to the UK; and calls on the Government to immediately reinstate citizenship to all UK residents of the Windrush Generation, whilst their cases are ongoing, in order for them to access the basic fundamental services they had previously.

1373 Upper Clyde Shipbuilders work-in protest 50th Anniversary

Tabled: 18/01/21 Signatories: 31

Martin Docherty-Hughes Chris Stephens Carol Monaghan Ronnie Cowan Amy Callaghan Douglas Chapman

Chris Law Jim Shannon Gavin Newlands
Dr Philippa Whitford Drew Hendry Kirsten Oswald

Tommy Sheppard

That this House recognises that 2021 marks the 50th anniversary of the beginning of the Upper Clyde Shipbuilders (UCS) work-in protest; notes that when faced with the closure of their shipyards due to the Conservative Government refusing to provide financial assistance, workers at the Upper Clyde Shipbuilders inspired their communities, the length of the River Clyde and wrote their names into the history books by making a stand against this assault on their industry, taking the

unprecedented measure of organising a work-in to complete the orders and show the viability of the shipyards and the skills of the men and women who worked in them; believes that the actions of the UCS workers, that were ultimately successful, are a critically reminder that when faced with indefensible actions by central Government the solidarity that exists between workers, their communities and the general population will ensure that right will win through; and understands that there will be a number of events taking place in the Burghs large and small along the River Clyde and across Scotland during 2021 and that these events can be used to inspire the present generation who are faced with the unprecedented challenges of the covid-19 outbreak with the message that workers and their communities in partnership are in a stronger to position to overcome the challenges that we presently face.

1374 Reduction of the Small Brewers Relief

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That this House believes the proposed reduction in Small Brewers Relief for brewers below 5,000 hectolitres and the introduction of a cash basis will be disastrous for Britain's internationally renowned craft brewery industry; notes that the introduction of Small Brewers Relief in 2002, designed to enable small breweries to compete with multinationals to compensate for a lack of market access and to encourage diversity in a heavily monopolised market, led to a flourishing, hugely successful, diverse and exciting British industry; further believes that this proposal risks undoing all the benefits of Small Brewers Relief over the last two decades and could be the death knell for the industry; recognises that this will threaten thousands of jobs, a national industry of great value and consumer choice; is deeply concerned that this will add to the already enormous pressures the industry is facing, recognising that due to the covid-19 outbreak and its impact on the closely related industry of hospitality, beer sales have fallen by 80 per cent and two small breweries are going out of business every week; finds it shocking that the Government's technical consultation on Small Brewers Relief fails to take into account the tremendous impact of covid-19 on the industry; is concerned that the Treasury itself acknowledges that there are significant issues in how production cost data was gathered; and believes that, if the problem identified in the consultation is the challenges faced by medium sized brewers in a market dominated by multinationals, legislation that makes it harder for small brewers to compete is not a solution to this.

1375 Jobs at Rolls-Royce Barnoldswick

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Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates Unite the union for striking a landmark deal with Rolls-Royce in Barnoldswick, Lancashire, saving 350 jobs threatened with off-shoring and securing the future of

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this historic site; notes that this deal marks the successful conclusion of a determined campaign by the workforce with full support from the local community, including nine weeks of targeted strike action; further notes this deal will give the Barnoldswick site, the birthplace of the jet engine, a new lease of life as a core manufacturing facility and host to a centre of excellence, training tomorrow's engineers to meet the challenges of the climate emergency; praises the bravery, dedication and resilience of the Barnoldswick workforce, who are among the most highly skilled engineers in the world; believes this successful outcome demonstrates the critical role of trade unions in fighting for investment in high-quality manufacturing jobs in the UK; and calls on the Government to safeguard and support the Barnoldswick site as a springboard for future opportunities in engineering excellence.

1376 UK-EU travel for touring musicians and performers

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That this House condemns the UK Government's failure to secure reciprocal visa-free and frictionless UK/EU travel for touring musicians and performers as part of the Brexit negotiations; notes that such artists have suffered significantly this year as work, touring and related income has largely ceased due to Covid-19; acknowledges the impact already being felt by small bands including the collapse of reciprocal tours by Fife band, Aye Hobos, German band, The Berlin Blackouts and many others; recognises the creation of such barriers, additional costs and bureaucracy will negatively impact the sector's recovery; further recognises the implications this failure has for performers from the EU, who will also be required to obtain costly visas, provide proof of savings and to provide evidence of sponsorship from an event organiser to perform in the UK; registers the risk to Scotland's international reputation as an open, welcoming and outward looking country by stymying our world-leading festivals ability to attract international guests; and calls on the UK Government to negotiate reciprocal visa-free travel between the UK and EU for touring musicians and performers as a matter of urgency.

1377 Pride of Scotland Award for Community Heroes: Bute community and Syrian refugees

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That this House congratulates the community of Bute on winning the TSB Community Heroes award at the Pride of Scotland awards 2020, for the support and kindness shown to Syrian refugees fleeing their war torn country and seeking to make a new life in Scotland; recognises that the people of Bute opened their hearts to the Syrian families, many of who were suffering from trauma and had to flee with little or no possessions, by providing them with both emotional and practical support throughout; acknowledges the vital role played by Argyll and Bute Council's Refugee Resettlement Group in coordinating an island wide, multi-agency response to integrate the Syrian families into the local community; recognises that many Syrian families are now happy and settled on the island

with some running their own successful businesses, others finding employment in local industries and young people attending local schools before moving on to further and higher education; recognises that the people of Bute have led the way in demonstrating that people from different cultures living together serves only to enrich a community; and calls on the UK government to look to Bute as a positive, shining example of what can happen when a community comes together to provide refuge to people whose lives are in danger in their own country.

1378 Award of the George Cross to the NHS

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Simon Hoare Jim Shannon

That this House believes that the George Cross should be awarded to the National Health Service in recognition of its heroic role during the covid-19 pandemic; and urges the Government to make that award.

1379 Covid-19 support from Leuchars Station personnel

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Wendy Chamberlain Jim Shannon

That this House acknowledges the contribution to the communities of Fife by the soldiers stationed at Leuchars during the covid-19 pandemic; pays tribute to them for their exceptional hard work during the pandemic that has presented the biggest peacetime challenge to the country; recognises their efforts in Preston conducting and supporting community testing; and anticipates their support in the vaccination rollout effort.