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New EDMs

1744 Victoria Radio Network celebrating 50 years

Neale Hanvey

That this House congratulates the radio station of Kirkcaldy's Victoria Hospital, Victoria Radio Network, on its 50th Golden Jubilee anniversary of broadcasting; recognises its contribution since 1971 making it one of Scotland's longest serving hospital radio stations; notes the many awards it has received for its transmissions over the years which are produced entirely by volunteers; and

wishes the team and station all the best in the future.

1745 Salute to pro-democracy campaigners in Hong Kong

Mr Alistair Carmichael

Tabled: 19/04/21 Signatories: 1

Signatories: 1

Tabled: 19/04/21

That this House notes with profound disappointment the sentencing to prison of Hong Kong prodemocracy campaigners, including Jimmy Lai; condemns the Chinese government's clamp down on freedom of speech, movement and association in Hong Kong since the introduction of the National Security Law; salutes those arrested, tried and punished by the Chinese communist controlled administration in Hong Kong for championing liberty and democracy; calls on the UK government to make immediate representations to the Chinese government on this matter; and urges the early introduction of Magnitsky-style sanctions against Chinese and Hong Kong officials responsible for this gross violation of the principles of the Basic Law and the Joint Sino British Declaration.

1746 Corporate Wealth Tax in G20 Countries

Tabled: 19/04/21 Signatories: 1

Jonathan Edwards

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That this House welcomes the report by academics Emmanuel Saez and Gabriel Zucman from Berkeley University proposing a new Corporate Wealth Tax policy targeting all publicly listed companies in G20 countries; notes that the policy would levy a 0.2 per cent tax on the value of stocks of relevant companies; further notes that the current stock capitalisation of G20 countries is estimated at \$90 trillion, therefore the proposed levy would raise approximately \$180 billion; further notes that the tax could be paid via the issuing of new stock, easing concerns about potential liquidity issues or impact on business operations; supports the idea of addressing fair taxation of large multinational companies on an international basis as the best way of helping governments tackle global tax evasion and avoidance; believes that the aftermath of the pandemic must see combined efforts by governments to address the imbalances, further exacerbated by covid-19, of globalisation which currently heavily favours the forces of capital; and calls on the Government to bring the proposals before the other G20 States and make the case for rapidly introducing this policy.

1747 Carbon emissions labelling

Tabled: 19/04/21 Signatories: 1

Daisy Cooper

That this House notes with concern the lack of information available to consumers on the environmental impact of the goods and food products they buy; recognises the growing urgency of the climate emergency facing the planet as a result of carbon emissions; acknowledges that the public would welcome the opportunity to make environmentally informed decisions on their purchases; encourages manufacturers and retailers to collaborate to introduce a standard ecolabelling scheme that would make the carbon footprint of individual products transparent; notes with disappointment that previous plans by major supermarkets to introduce such a system for food have been abandoned; calls on the Government to work with industry to support the introduction of such a nationwide eco-labelling scheme; and further calls on the Government to consider the merits of introducing financial incentives to businesses who adopt eco-labelling to help offset the implementation costs.

1748 Public Health

Tabled: 19/04/21 Signatories: 10

Keir Starmer
Nick Thomas-Symonds
Holly Lynch
Sarah Jones
Conor McGinn
Mr Nicholas Brown

Navendu Mishra Mohammad Yasin Caroline Lucas

lan Mearns

That the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (England) (Amendment) (No. 7) Regulations 2021 (S.I., 2021, No. 150), dated 12 February 2021, a copy of which was laid before this House on 12 February 2021, be revoked.

1749 Rail to Refuge scheme

Tabled: 19/04/21 Signatories: 1

Rosie Cooper

That this House celebrates the work of the Rail to Refuge scheme, a joint initiative between rail companies and the Women's Aid Federation of England; commends rail operators for providing free travel to over 1,348 people fleeing domestic abuse including 362 children over five; acknowledges the severe impact of the covid-19 pandemic for many and the particular challenge on those suffering domestic abuse; recognises that scheme's achievements since its conception in April 2020; and urges those who need to flee domestic abuse to use that scheme to gain safety.

1750 Proposed European Super League

Tabled: 19/04/21 Signatories: 18

Ian Mearns
Ian Byrne
Jon Trickett
Kate Osborne
Grahame Morris
Dawn Butler

Zarah SultanaClaudia WebbeJeremy CorbynRichard BurgonApsana BegumBell Ribeiro-AddyDan CardenIan LaveryMick WhitleyMary Kelly FoyJohn McDonnellRachel Hopkins

That this House condemns the proposals to create a breakaway European Super League which is based on cynical greed rather than sporting integrity and merit; asserts that billionaire club owners are attempting to rip apart the fabric of our national sport to further their own interests; further asserts that those owners must listen to fans, players and pundits who oppose those plans; acknowledges that the opposition to those plans goes beyond Premier League fans and extends to fan groups in the women's game, the English Football League, non-league and grassroots football; notes the potential massive financial impact of that proposal on grassroots solidarity payments in the event that elite clubs are so allowed to hoard even more wealth; backs the Football Supporters' Association's Sustain The Game campaign and its core principles of club protection, transparency of ownership, financial sustainability, strengthening the football pyramid and supporter engagement; and calls on the Government to commence its manifesto commitment of undertaking a fan-led review of football governance with the utmost urgency.

1751 Campaign for the thirty-seven Cammell Laird workers imprisoned in 1984

Tabled: 19/04/21 Signatories: 3

Mick Whitley Navendu Mishra Kim Johnson

That this House warmly welcomes the victory of the Shrewsbury Twenty Four campaign in its decades long quest for justice; recognises that there are hundreds of other trade unionists and protestors who have been the victims of unjust and politically motivated punishments, including thirty-seven workers imprisoned in the Category A prison HMP Walton for their participation in the occupation of the Cammell Laird shipyards in 1984; understands that those imprisoned workers endured immense suffering and economic hardship as a result of their month-long detention and the blacklisting and loss of redundancy and pension rights that followed that imprisonment; condemns that gross miscarriage of justice and regrets that many of those who were so imprisoned

have tragically not lived to see their names cleared; applauds the surviving members of that thirtyseven for their unwavering commitment to seeing that wrong righted and the GMB Union for its support of those members; notes that the Government has failed to honour its commitment to exploring the merits of holding a public inquiry into that historic injustice; further notes that in 2014, the European Parliament's Commission on Petitions stated its belief that the authorities' response to that dispute was an overreaction and that an apology should be considered; and calls on the Government to launch an inquiry and put into the public domain any and all documentation, including cabinet papers, from that period that may shed fresh light on those events.

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.

Tabled: **24/03/21**

Tabled: **12/04/21**

Signatories: 63

Signatories: 20

1696 **Immigration**

Keir Starmer Nick Thomas-Symonds **Holly Lynch** Valerie Vaz John McDonnell Mr Nicholas Brown

Matthew Pennycook lan Murray **Christine Jardine**

That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Immigration (Guidance on Detention of Vulnerable Persons) Regulations 2021 (S.I., 2021, No. 184), dated 23 February 2021, a copy of which was laid before this House on 25 February 2021, be annulled.

1704 Football Index

Patricia Gibson Ian Mearns Allan Dorans Clive Lewis Jim Shannon **Marion Fellows**

Andrew Gwynne

That this House is deeply concerned about the recent collapse of the betting firm Football Index, following the suspension of the company's licence by the Gambling Commission and its entry into administration; notes with concern that customers collectively have over £90 million trapped in the company, with average losses of around £3,000 per customer; understands that the firm operated as a football stock market, offering customers the ability to buy shares in footballers, and customers could be paid in dividends based on player performances; recognises that only a few days after the company minted new shares in footballers, enticing customers to purchase shares, the company drastically decreased dividend payments by 82 per cent, leading to a virtual market crash on the site which caused significant losses for customers; notes that concerns have been raised that the firm operated like a pyramid scheme, and further notes it had been admonished by the Advertising Standards Authority in 2019 for creating the impression that the product was a lucrative investment

opportunity; recognises that this scandal has called into question the adequacy of gambling regulation in the UK, given the Gambling Commission awarded this company a licence and would seem to have failed to ensure adequate oversight; and calls for a full independent public enquiry into this scandal to ensure that gambling regulation is fit for purpose in protecting consumers.

1705 Ear cropping dogs

Liz Saville Roberts Jonathan Edwards Jim Shannon Paula Barker Olivia Blake Sir Mike Penning

Andrew Gwynne

That this house notes with concern that figures released by the RSPCA show a 621 per cent increase in the number of reports of dogs who have had their ears cropped between 2015-2020, despite the practice being illegal in England and Wales; further notes that the RSPCA are concerned that dogs are being sent abroad for cropping or being purchased and imported from overseas; believes that ear cropping is a barbaric practice; and calls on the Government to ban the importation of dogs with cropped ears.

1710 Achievement of the Ballantrae Trust, Ballantrae Community Council and volunteers

Tabled: 12/04/21 Signatories: 7

Tabled: 12/04/21

Signatories: 14

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Allan Dorans Jim Shannon Steven Bonnar Kirsten Oswald Chris Law Margaret Ferrier

Marion Fellows

That this House recognises the achievements of, and congratulates, the Board of the Ballantrae Trust, Ballantrae Community Council and the many volunteers from the village of Ballantrae and surrounding areas, who since 2017 have organised and promoted a number of highly successful annual community events, including the Ballantrae Festival of Food and Drink and the Smugglers Festival, supporting local businesses and encouraging tourism; that, following extensive consultation with the local community, prepared a business plan and submitted successful bids for funding to purchase the Kings Arms, the last remaining pub in the village, for use as a community pub and hub, with facilities for the local community and visitors and which will offer local people, skills, experience and the chance to gain qualifications in catering and hospitality, enhancing employment opportunities; and, through the establishment of a community benefit society, the Ballantrae Community Pub Ltd, providing local people the opportunity to purchase shares and be part of ensuring the development, success and sustainability of this fantastic local community facility in South Ayrshire.

1712 100 years of the National Pharmacy Association

Tabled: 12/04/21 Signatories: 13

Dr Lisa Cameron Jonathan Edwards Allan Dorans Jim Shannon Daisy Cooper Chris Law

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Marion Fellows

That this House congratulates the National Pharmacy Association (NPA) as it celebrates 100 years of serving community pharmacies in the UK; notes that the NPA has helped its members through enormous change, including the formation of the NHS in 1948, the overhaul of medicines regulations in 1968, the massive expansion in the range of medicines available to patients and the establishment of new roles in public health, urgent care and managing long term conditions; recognizes the vital contribution of pharmacies today, especially in the light of their work during the covid-19 pandemic; and looks forward to pharmacies playing an important role in the health, wellbeing and daily life of our communities in the years to come.

1715 The Strathaven John Hastie Museum Trust

Tabled: 12/04/21 Signatories: 5

Dr Lisa Cameron Allan Dorans Jim Shannon Chris Law Marion Fellows

That this House celebrates the work of the Strathaven John Hastie Museum Trust and the tireless efforts of that Trust's board of trustees and local volunteers who are working towards the creation of a community museum through which the local community can continue to learn about the history of Strathaven and the wider Avondale area from the Neolithic period through to the present day; notes that that Trust's summer exhibitions are a highlight of the local calendar which, along with pop-up displays and activities, attract over 1,000 visitors every year; draws particular attention to the dedicated work of the Trust's volunteers with local schools, who, through presentations and hands on activities, demonstrate an active and engaging history of the local area; highlights the aim of bringing back to Strathaven selected items from the original John Hastie Museum, including rare Japanese porcelain, on loan from the South Lanarkshire Leisure and Culture Trust Museum's Service as a welcome step towards restoring a local museum presence, enhancing the Trust's capability to bring the rich history of the area to the present and future generations of Avondale; and wishes all the trustees and volunteers well in their search for an essential, permanent location for Strathaven's John Hastie Museum, with additional accommodation for use by the community.

1716 Global Accessibility Awareness Day

Tabled: 12/04/21 Signatories: 12

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Dr Lisa Cameron Allan Dorans Jim Shannon Carla Lockhart Paula Barker Olivia Blake

Marion Fellows

That this House recognizes Global Accessibility Awareness Day (GAAD) on the 20th of May and promotes digital access and inclusion for people with disabilities; acknowledges that over 14 million people in the UK alone have visual, motor, hearing or cognitive disabilities or impairments; resolves to remove barriers from people with disabilities by improving accessibility and giving those people a voice; applauds assistive technologies like screen readers, screen magnifiers and various accessibility software which make it easier for people with disabilities to communicate; and calls on the Government to support people with disabilities and invest in the technologies which make their daily lives easier especially since the covid-19 outbreak has disproportionately affected the disabled community.

1720 The Scottish Mental Health Festival

Tabled: 12/04/21 Signatories: 5

Dr Lisa Cameron Allan Dorans Jim Shannon Chris Law Marion Fellows

That this House celebrates the 15th anniversary of the Scottish Mental Health Art Festival in May and applauds its unique use of art as a way of telling stories, challenging stigmas, and changing perceptions around mental health; draws attention to the fact that this festival is the biggest of its kind in the world and organizes hundreds of events reaching thousands of people across Scotland each year; notes with concern the rise in mental health conditions as a result of the pandemic and calls on the government to support the arts as a key form of therapy and as a source of community for many across the UK.

1723 Conflict in Tigray, Ethiopia

Tabled: 12/04/21 Signatories: 19

Helen Hayes
Jim Shannon
Kenny MacAskill
Mick Whitley
Rachel Hopkins
Mr Virendra Sharma

Marion Fellows Andrew Gwynne

That this House condemns the massacre at Axum in Ethiopia, documented by both Amnesty International and Human Rights Watch, that may amount to war crimes and crimes against humanity; further condemns the reported wider pattern of violence throughout the Tigray region, including the use of rape and sexual violence, and the alleged involvement of Eritrean forces; notes that there is a risk of a regional conflict in the Horn of Africa, with an escalation of tensions with

Sudan and Egypt; requests that the UK Government places that issue formally on the agenda of the United Nations Security Council, as well as on that of the African Union; supports calls for a full, prompt, impartial and effective investigation into the massacre and unfettered humanitarian access to Tigray, as well as immediate access for human rights and media organisations; considers that the starvation and conflict-induced food insecurity in that region is man-made, is a violation of international humanitarian law, and is a test case for the UK Special Envoy with that brief; and expresses concern for the fate of Eritrean refugees in that country alleged to be at risk of refoulement.

1724 Military trial, detention and treatment of Palestinian children by Israeli authorities

Tabled: 12/04/21 Signatories: 27

Tommy Sheppard Ian Mearns Allan Dorans Kenny MacAskill Neale Hanvey Chris Law

Sir George Howarth Dave Doogan
Stewart Malcolm McDonald Olivia Blake
Wera Hobhouse Caroline Lucas
Paula Barker

Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck Marion Fellows Stuart C McDonald

That this House notes with concern that Israeli forces continue to arrest, detain and try several hundred Palestinian children in the Israeli military court and detention system each year despite evidence that that process is rife with international law violations; further notes that Israel is the only country in the world that automatically and systematically prosecutes Palestinian children in military courts which lack fundamental fair trial rights and protections; notes that ill-treatment of Palestinian child detainees by Israeli authorities includes widespread physical and psychological violence, blindfolding, strip searches, denial of food and water, position abuse and isolation solely for the purpose of interrogation, and the denial of access to a lawyer before and during interrogations; remarks on the disparity between treatment of Israeli and Palestinian children in Israeli custody; asserts that Israel, as the occupying power under international humanitarian law in the West Bank, including East Jerusalem, is responsible for protecting the rights of Palestinian children living under military occupation; notes too that the recommendations of the 2012 Foreign and Commonwealth Office funded report, Children in Military Custody, and UNICEF's 2013 report, Children in Israeli Military Detention, have not been met; believes that in no circumstances should civilians, particularly children, be detained or prosecuted under the jurisdiction of military courts or held in military detention; and urges the Government to engage with the Government of Israel to end the military trial and detention of Palestinian children and, as a minimum safeguard, to respect and ensure basic due process rights and the absolute prohibition of torture and ill-treatment.

1725 Applecross helipad

Tabled: 13/04/21 Signatories: 6

Ian Blackford
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Alison Thewliss
Carol Monaghan
Marion Fellows

That this House congratulates the community of Applecross as they build a helipad to serve the local community; recognizes Heather Teale who started the campaign for the helipad after the tragic death of her daughter Bethany Walker; commends Dr Chris Ward, the HELP appeal charity and its chief executive Robert Bertam and the Applecross Trust who are all contributing to this vital community asset; and notes that once completed the helipad with be a fitting memorial to Bethany.

1726 Report of the Commission on Race and Ethnic Disparities

Tabled: 13/04/21 Signatories: 34

Ms Diane Abbott Bell Ribeiro-Addy Olivia Blake Alison Thewliss John McDonnell Apsana Begum

Dan Carden Ed Davey Paula Barker

That this House notes that the publication of the report of the Commission on Race and Ethnic Disparities in March 2021 was met with immense disappointment and frustration by members of Black, Asian and minority ethnic communities across the country, and many racial justice organisations; is deeply concerned that the report largely seems to deny the existence of institutional racism in Britain, and in doing so has raised concerns that it reverses progress towards racial equality; is alarmed by the report's poor methodology, including selectively citing and listing authors and academics whose views were neither sought, or accurately represented in the report; further notes the disturbing allegations that the report was rewritten by No.10; urgently calls on the Government to acknowledge the existence of institutional racism in society and commit to tackling it in all forms; further calls on the Government to reject the report and instead implement the recommendations of existing reports on institutional racism, including the Macpherson report, the Lammy review, the McGregor Smith review and the Windrush Lessons Learned review.

1727 Pressures on Baha'is in Mazandaran

Tabled: 13/04/21 Signatories: 7

Mr Alistair Carmichael Margaret Ferrier Jim Shannon Alison Thewliss Bob Blackman Rachel Hopkins

Marion Fellows

That this House notes a report of 9 March 2021 by Federation International des Ligues de Droits de L'Homme alerting the world to increased pressures on Baha'is in the province of Mazandaran, Iran; further notes the text of a directive from the Commission on Ethnicities, Sects and Religions in the

town of Sari, Mazandaran, dated September 2020; observes that this directive mandates authorities to identify Baha'is students in order to bring them to Islam and to further suppress Baha'i economic activity; and urges the Government to make representations to the Iranian authorities on this matter.

1728 Effect of the covid-19 outbreak on disabled children and families

Tabled: 13/04/21 Signatories: 50

Mary Kelly Foy [R] Jon Trickett Paula Barker Rachel Hopkins Jeremy Corbyn Rebecca Long Bailey

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Andrew Gwynne

That this House is deeply alarmed at the disproportionate effect of the covid-19 pandemic on disabled children, young people and their families; notes the concerning statistics from the Disabled Children's Partnerships' The Longest Lockdown report, which found that 70 per cent of disabled children could not access, or experienced delays in receiving, life-changing therapies and routine health appointments that they had before the pandemic; is concerned that the same report found that half of disabled children have seen their conditions worsen during the pandemic; further notes the mental health impacts of the pandemic on disabled children and their families, shown through that report which found that 90 per cent of disabled children are severally socially isolated and that almost nine out of 10 parents reported some level of anxiety and almost half had probable depression; welcomes the call from the Disabled Children's Partnership for a holistic, cross-departmental covid-19 recovery plan that provides support for burnt-out families suffering from poor mental health and social isolation, and makes up for the absence of therapies which has impacted on their physical development and opportunities to develop vital life skills; and calls on the Government to enact that plan.

1731 Humanitarian crisis in Yemen and UK arms sales to Saudi Arabia

Tabled: 13/04/21 Signatories: 22

Layla Moran Wera Hobhouse Jonathan Edwards Jim Shannon Olivia Blake Paula Barker

Andrew Gwynne Stephen Farry Marion Fellows

That this House notes the continued disastrous war on Yemen which has led to the biggest humanitarian crisis in the world; further notes that the UN has warned that an estimated 24 million people, close to 80 per cent of the population, need assistance and protection; acknowledges that the UK Government continues to allow arms sales to Saudi Arabia, the main foreign protagonist of the war, and continues to provide logistical support to Saudi forces in Yemen despite their consistent targeting of civilians in Yemen; condemns the UK Government's decision to reduce UK aid to support the world's most vulnerable; recognises US President Joe Biden's decision to commit to ending US support for the war by stopping arms sales to Saudi Arabia for use in Yemen; calls on the UK Government to end support for the war and suspend all arms sales to Saudi Arabia immediately; urges the UK Government to return to the 0.7 per cent of GNI Official Development Assistance spending commitment immediately; and further urges the UK Government to work with its global

partners and use all diplomatic means at its disposal to assist in ending the war in Yemen and resolve the underlying conflicts.

1732 Fire and rehire tactics

Tabled: 13/04/21 Signatories: 41

Grahame Morris Paula Barker Mick Whitley Ian Lavery Navendu Mishra Kate Osborne

Marion Fellows Kate Hollern

That this House notes with alarm the growing number of employers who are dismissing and reengaging staff on worse pay and terms and conditions, a practice commonly known as fire and rehire; agrees with Government Ministers that such tactics represent an unacceptable abuse of power by rogue bosses, many of whom are exploiting the covid-19 crisis to increase profits at the expense of loyal staff who have risked their lives during the pandemic to keep businesses going; welcomes the Government's stated commitment to tackle those shameful abuses; calls on the Government to publish the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service report into the practice received by Ministers on 17 February 2021; and further calls on the Government to commit to including proposals in the forthcoming Queen's Speech to outlaw this form of industrial blackmail, as is the case in other European countries, and to bring forward this new legislation as a matter of urgency to protect UK workers from exploitation by unscrupulous employers.

1735 East Kilbride Community Litter Pickers

Tabled: 14/04/21 Signatories: 4

Dr Lisa Cameron Jonathan Edwards Jim Shannon Marion Fellows

That this House celebrates the East Kilbride Community Litter Pickers and the tireless efforts of all their volunteers and founder Alice Alves to help clear the East Kilbride town of litter for the wider community to enjoy; highlights the fact that this group was only founded at the beginning of March 2021 but has since grown to host over 1250 members on Facebook who together have managed to collect over four metric tonnes of litter in the past six weeks; draws attention to the fact that the success of the group is through encouraging small family groups and individuals to get into the habit of picking up litter on their daily walks in their local areas and applauds this ethos as an example to us all of the combined cumulative effort of a committed local community; notes the recent creation of an Action Group and applauds the group for their efforts to include local schools in this invaluable project and commits to following the success and growth of this group in the months to come and all initiatives that encourage residents to Take Pride in East Kilbride.

1736 Reduction in the plug-in grant for low emission vehicles

Tabled: 14/04/21 Signatories: 5

John Nicolson Jonathan Edwards Jim Shannon Carol Monaghan Paula Barker

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That this House commends those that take steps to reduce their carbon footprint; recognises that electric cars are an effective way of reducing carbon emissions and that use of electric cars should be encouraged; and urges the Government to reverse its decision to lower the value of the plug-in vehicle grant from £3000 to £2500.

1737 West Lothian Prostate Cancer Support Group

Tabled: 14/04/21 Signatories: 5

Martyn Day Jim Shannon Margaret Ferrier Carol Monaghan Marion Fellows

That this House congratulates the West Lothian Prostate Cancer Support Group for their efforts to provide support to men diagnosed with prostate cancer and their families since 2007; notes the importance of that group's Buddy Scheme which allows men to share their experiences; further notes that group's creation of discussion groups for family members to share support and knowledge; notes that group's collaboration with Western General Hospital, Macmillan Cancer Care and local GP surgeries to improve the accessibility of support; and wishes the Group continued success in the future.

1738 Bowel Cancer UK highlights bowel cancer red flags

Tabled: 14/04/21 Signatories: 5

Jim Shannon Jonathan Edwards Paul Girvan Margaret Ferrier Paula Barker

That this House notes the work by Bowel Cancer UK that has revealed that 37 per cent of adults living in Northern Ireland are not aware of any of the symptoms of bowel cancer which is that country's second biggest cancer killer; highlights that the red flags of bowel cancer are blood in your movements, changes to your movement habit, abdominal pain, weight loss and unexplained tiredness or fatigue; urges the general public to be aware of those red flags and to seek testing with their GPs in response to any of those concerns, being mindful that bowel cancer is curable when it is diagnosed early; and offers sincere thanks to Bowel Cancer UK for their continued hard work in providing information and support on that matter.

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1740 Northern Ireland Women's Football Team Euro 2022 qualification

Tabled: 14/04/21 Signatories: 10

Carla Lockhart
Paul Girvan
Jim Shannon
Gavin Robinson
Claire Hanna
Mr Gregory Campbell

Stephen Farry

That this House congratulates the Northern Ireland Women's Football Team on their historic qualification for Euro 2022; applauds the players for their performances in securing that qualification; commends Team Manager Kenny Shiels and his coaching staff for leading the team to that remarkable success; and wishes the team well as they represent Northern Ireland in Euro 2022.

1741 Paid miscarriage leave

Tabled: 15/04/21 Signatories: 10
Angela Crawley
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Jonathan Edwards Carol Monaghan Kirsten Oswald Bell Ribeiro-Addy Liz Saville Roberts

Marion Fellows Paula Barker Kim Johnson

Patricia Gibson

That this House calls on the Government to introduce paid miscarriage leave; notes that in the UK, two weeks parental bereavement leave and pay is in place after stillbirth, however there is no such support for anyone who has experienced a miscarriage before 24 weeks of pregnancy; believes miscarriage is an extremely traumatic experience and more support should be provided to families that experience such a loss; understands that New Zealand's parliament unanimously approved legislation to give those who experience a miscarriage paid leave, no matter what stage a loss of pregnancy occurs; and further believes that the Government should follow suit and provide paid leave for people that experience miscarriage and allow families to grieve their profound loss.

1742 Robert Black Memorial Helipad, Campbeltown

Tabled: 15/04/21 Signatories: 3

Brendan O'Hara Carol Monaghan Marion Fellows

That this House congratulates everyone involved in the establishment of the Robert Black Memorial Helipad in Campbeltown; particularly notes the vital contribution made by Ambulance Technician Stuart McLellan who as well as overcoming many legal and logistical obstacles, also successfully raised £270,000 and attracted the support of many local residents, organisations and businesses including Eric Spence from South Kintrye Development Trust, the County Air Ambulance Trust, MacFadyens Contractors and McKinven and Colville Contractors in order to build the helipad; understands that there has been a need for a community helipad in South Kintyre for many years due to the unsafe nature of the previous landing site, which often resulted in emergencies being diverted to Campbeltown Airport or being forced to make a four hour transfer by road; and commends Stuart and everyone involved for their efforts and recognises the new Robert Black Memorial Helipad as a fitting and lasting tribute to the highly respected and dearly missed Campbeltown Paramedic Robert Black who sadly died of covid-19 in 2020.