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New EDMs

1769 35th anniversary of the Chernobyl disaster

Stewart Malcolm McDonald

That this House observes the 35th anniversary of the Chernobyl disaster which took place on the 26 April 1986; remembers the victims of one of the largest man-made disasters in human history and the failed attempts by a totalitarian Soviet government to conceal the truth; acknowledges the immense bravery of those who risked, and in cases sacrificed, their lives to tackle the fire, stabilize the reactor and participate in the clean-up afterwards; praises the courage and dedication of the medical staff who treated the victims of acute radiation sickness; recognises that affected countries and their citizens still continue to deal with the aftermath of that unimaginable catastrophe; and commemorates all those who tragically lost their lives as a result of the worst nuclear disaster in history.

Tabled: **26/04/21**

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Signatories: 1

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1770 Virtual Kiltwalk 2021

Kirsten Oswald

That this House congratulates all those who contributed to the success of Scotland's second Virtual Kiltwalk that took place from 23 to 25 April 2021; commends all those who took on the challenge of raising money for their chosen charity through methods such as walking, running, cycling, and other creative challenges such as trampolining and scavenger hunts; praises the efforts of Kiltwalk organisers who, in 2020, adapted the annual event in response to the covid-19 pandemic to avoid large crowds and to keep within social distancing guidance by supporting volunteers to raise money and do their challenges independently; notes the generous commitment from Sir Tom Hunter and The Hunter Foundation who have pledged to add an extra 50 per cent to everything raised by volunteers; recognises that Kiltwalk has raised £20 million for Scotland's charities in the last five years including £5 million raised through the 2020 Virtual Kiltwalk that was distributed to over

900 charities throughout Scotland during the past very difficult year, and hopes that through the dedication and generosity of organisers, participants and donors the 2021 Virtual Kiltwalk will again contribute much-needed support for the great work of charities in Scotland.

1771 Independent review of General Practice provision

Tabled: 26/04/21 Signatories: 2

Daisy Cooper Munira Wilson

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That this House is concerned by the pressures facing GPs and their practices; believes that GP services are under strain and in need of greater funding as is the NHS as a whole; calls for increased funding for GP practices, primary healthcare and the NHS; acknowledges the stresses and difficulties, caused by the UK leaving the EU, facing thousands of EU nationals working in GP practices and the NHS; recognises the Government has not introduced legislation to offer proper protections for the NHS and the UK's healthcare system in future trade deals; recognises the critical importance of the relationship between GPs and their community and that general practice has an important role in building trust with local communities to support effective improvements in health across the wider community; notes the significant expansion of Operose Health, a subsidiary of the US health insurance company Centene, making it the largest provider of NHS GP services in England; calls on the Government to conduct an independent review into expansions of that nature, with the power to make recommendations to ensure the availability and timeliness of patient care free at the point of use, and the protection and use of patient data; further calls on the Government to create a framework for transparency in lobbying to safeguard the integrity of general practice in the NHS system; and reaffirms its commitment to universal health care, available to all in need, in a timely fashion and free at the point of use.

1772 Glasgow Clyde College Student Association's White Ribbon Scotland campaign

Tabled: 26/04/21 Signatories: 1

Chris Stephens

That this House supports Glasgow Clyde College Student Association's White Ribbon Scotland campaign on behalf of Glasgow Clyde College; notes that Glasgow Clyde College is on a journey towards achieving White Ribbon status and has made available a variety of activities and resources to its students and staff to educate them on the merits of that campaign; recognises that the White Ribbon Scotland campaign has the support of that College's principal, Jon Vincent, and that College's White Ribbon steering group; further notes the importance of the White Ribbon movement with 45 per cent of women in the UK having experience of some form of domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking; notes that everyone has an important role to play in helping to end violence against women; and calls on anyone associated with Glasgow Clyde College, or living in the West of Scotland, to sign the White Ribbon Scotland pledge to never commit, condone or remain silent in the face of violence against women, and to make a pledge to the Glasgow Clyde College College campaign in its submission process to show support to the Glasgow Clyde College Student Association's White Ribbon Scotland campaign.

1773 Firefighters Memorial Day 2021 (No. 2)

Tabled: 26/04/21 Signatories: 12

Grahame Morris Jeremy Corbyn Jon Cruddas Paula Barker Kim Johnson Kate Osborne

Rachel Hopkins Kenny MacAskill Jon Trickett
Jonathan Edwards Claudia Webbe Sir Mike Penning

That this House joins with firefighters across the United Kingdom on Firefighters Memorial Day in remembering the bravery and sacrifice of over 2,300 firefighters who have lost their lives in the line of duty; extends its sympathies especially on this memorial day to all the bereaved families of fallen firefighters; acknowledges the good work of the Firefighters Memorial Trust in remembering and honouring all firefighters who have lost their lives while serving humanity and recording their names on the Firefighters Memorial, located close to St Paul's Cathedral in London; applauds the commitment and selfless dedication of all United Kingdom firefighters who stand ready today and every day to risk their lives to save others and protect their local communities from the consequences of fire, floods, terror attacks and numerous other emergency situations; recognises the hard work and dedication of firefighters throughout the pandemic and pays tribute to the firefighters who have lost their lives to Covid.

1774 Matchgirls Strike and Match tax protests

Tabled: 26/04/21 Signatories: 1

Nadia Whittome

That this House commemorates the Bryant and May workers that on 24 April 1871 protested against a halfpenny tax per box on the sale of matches that was proposed by the Government of the day with a protest march on Parliament which successfully stopped the tax being implemented; further commemorates the Matchgirls who went on strike in 1888 at the Bryant and May factory in Bow in response to poor working conditions; notes that factory workers were expected to work 14 hour days for poor pay in an unsafe working environment due to the exposure of phosphorus which was used to make matches; commends their achievements of scrapping the factory's fine system, setting up a grievance system, abolishing the deductions for working materials and the improvement of health and safety standards; further notes the continued need to advocate for high labour standards; recognises the Matchgirls as pioneers of gender equality and fairness at work who through their strike action and formation of the Union of Women Match Makers left a lasting legacy on the trade union movement; and further notes the names of the Matchgirls on both the Strike and Union Committees were Mary Cummings, Eliza Martin, Louisa Beck, Julia Gambleton, Jane Wakeling, Jane Staines, Eliza Price, Mary Naulls, Kate Sclater, Ellen Johnson, Sarah Chapman, Mary Driscoll and Alice Francis.

1775 Campaign for a 15 per cent pay rise for all healthcare workers

Tabled: 26/04/21 Signatories: 1

Jon Trickett

That this House expresses dismay at the Government's offer of a derisory one per cent pay rise to healthcare workers announced in the Budget on 3 March; notes that NHS workers have suffered real terms pay cuts of up to 30 per cent since 2010; recognises the heroic efforts of healthcare workers who have been on the frontline throughout the pandemic and have put their own health

at risk in order to help others; remembers the more than 1000 healthcare workers who have died from COVID-19; believes the proposed one per cent pay rise is an insult to healthcare workers and that their service to the nation should be acknowledged with more than just a clap; recognises that anything less than a five per cent pay rise is in effect a real terms cut; welcomes the Every Doctor and Nurses United UK campaign for a fair deal for healthcare workers; and calls on the Government to give all healthcare workers a 15 per cent pay increase.

Added Names

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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.

1696 Immigration

Tabled: 24/03/21 Signatories: 82

Tabled: **12/04/21**

Signatories: 16

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

Chris Stephens Tulip Siddiq Dr Rupa Huq

Hilary Benn

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.

1705 Ear cropping dogs

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

Andrew Rosindell

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.

1707 Protection of seals

Tabled: 12/04/21 Signatories: 9

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Tracey Crouch
Jonathan Edwards
Jim Shannon
Sir Mike Penning
John McDonnell
Sarah Olney

Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck

That this House expresses its sadness after the tragic loss, post dog attack, of River Thames' resident Freddie the seal; believes that seals in rivers deserve the same protections as those for deer in Richmond Park; notes that the seal population in the River Thames is as many as 4000 and expected to rise further upon competition of the Thames Tideway in 2024; and urges the Government to urgently assess the need for legislation to protect seals and encourage a peaceful co-existence between man and wildlife

1708 Hong Kong British National (Overseas) assistance programme

Tabled: 12/04/21 Signatories: 16

Andrew Rosindell Yvonne Fovargue Craig Whittaker Andrew Gwynne Jim Shannon Mr Virendra Sharma

Douglas Chapman

That this House acknowledges the excellent arrangements the Government is making to welcome and support Hongkongers arriving in the UK under the British National Overseas (BN(O)) visa scheme; recognises the significant cultural, economic and social boost Hongkongers will provide to communities across the UK; commends the creation of welcome hubs which will help arrivals from Hong Kong to access housing, education and employment; notes that between 123,000 and 153,700 BN(O) status holders and their dependents are expected to use the route to the UK in the first year; recognises that the visa route and assistance programme deliver on the UK's historic and moral commitment to the people of Hong Kong; and commits to creating a welcome environment for Hongkongers to ensure their success and happiness here.

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

Tabled: 12/04/21 Signatories: 48

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

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Richard Thomson Daisy Cooper Ian Blackford Chris Stephens Layla Moran Tony Lloyd

Wendy Chamberlain Deidre Brock

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.

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

Tabled: 13/04/21 Signatories: 51

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

Chris Stephens

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.

1730 Sam Downie on receiving a SportAid Scotland bursary

Tabled: 13/04/21 Signatories: 6

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Kenny MacAskill Jonathan Edwards Jim Shannon Margaret Ferrier Neale Hanvey Chris Stephens

That this House congratulates Sam Downie, aged 15 of Musselburgh Amateur Swimming Club on his receipt of a SportAid Scotland bursary to pay for training and competition expenses in 2021; notes that Sam, who was born with caudal regression syndrome is a Scotland National Para-Swimming Squad member and member of Scottish Swimming's Talent Programme; and further notes Sam's inspirational words: My words of advice for anyone out there who has an impairment of any kind is to use the resources available to you... find what you enjoy, as when you do the world becomes a much brighter place to be.

1732 Fire and rehire tactics

Tabled: 13/04/21 Signatories: 63

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

Tony LloydEmma HardyMrs Emma Lewell-BuckMohammad YasinTommy SheppardZarah SultanaStewart Malcolm McDonaldJohn SpellarGraham StringerTim FarronPatrick GradyMartyn Day

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: 9

Dr Lisa Cameron Jonathan Edwards Jim Shannon Marion Fellows Margaret Ferrier Allan Dorans

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Chris Stephens Chris Law

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: 8

John Nicolson Jonathan Edwards Jim Shannon Carol Monaghan Paula Barker Allan Dorans

Chris Stephens Chris Law

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: 9

Martyn Day Jim Shannon Margaret Ferrier Carol Monaghan Marion Fellows Allan Dorans

Douglas Chapman Chris Stephens

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.

1741 Paid miscarriage leave

Tabled: 15/04/21 Signatories: 22

Angela Crawley Jonathan Edwards Carol Monaghan Kirsten Oswald Bell Ribeiro-Addy Liz Saville Roberts

Chris Stephens John McDonnell Chris Law

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: 8

Brendan O'Hara Carol Monaghan Marion Fellows Jim Shannon Allan Dorans Neale Hanvey

Chris Stephens Chris Law

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.

1743 Elevation of Knock Shrine to International Sanctuary of Special Eucharistic and Marian Devotion

Tabled: 15/04/21 Signatories: 3

Margaret Ferrier Jon Cruddas Chris Stephens

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That this House notes that Pope Francis has elevated the National Sanctuary of Our Lady of Knock in Knock, Co. Mayo, Ireland as an International Sanctuary of Special Eucharistic and Marian Devotion on 19 March 2021; acknowledges the contribution to this achievement of Archbishop of Tuam Michael Neary, who initiated the petition to the Holy See for recognition of Knock as an international shrine, and Fr. Richard Gibbons, Rector of Knock Shrine, who has welcomed pilgrims and visitors from around the world since being appointed Knock Parish Priest in 2012 and plans to continue to do so in the future when international travel resumes; recognises the importance of this recognition for Irish Catholics and all Catholics around the world; and congratulates them on this momentous occasion in their ecclesiastical life.

1745 Salute to pro-democracy campaigners in Hong Kong

Tabled: 19/04/21 Signatories: 21

Mr Alistair Carmichael Jim Shannon Andrew Gwynne Ian Paisley Stewart Malcolm McDonald Layla Moran

Carol Monaghan Chris Stephens John McDonnell

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 that 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: 8

Jonathan Edwards Jim Shannon Liz Saville Roberts Ben Lake Hywel Williams Claire Hanna

Chris Stephens

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 that proposed 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 notes that that proposed levy would raise approximately \$180 billion; notes that that proposed 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 covid-19 pandemic must see combined efforts by governments to address the imbalances, further exacerbated by the covid-19 pandemic, of globalisation which currently heavily favours the forces of capital; and calls on the Government to bring those proposals before the other G20 states and make the case for rapidly introducing that policy.

1747 Carbon emissions labelling

Tabled: 19/04/21 Signatories: 17

Daisy Cooper Jim Shannon Andrew Gwynne Jonathan Edwards Layla Moran Wendy Chamberlain

John McDonnell

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.

1749 Rail to Refuge scheme

Tabled: 19/04/21 Signatories: 21

Rosie Cooper Jim Shannon Paula Barker Navendu Mishra Gavin Newlands Kim Johnson

Olivia Blake Douglas Chapman John McDonnell

Carol Monaghan

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: 31

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

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Chris Stephens

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: 34

Mick Whitley Navendu Mishra Kim Johnson Paula Barker Dame Angela Eagle Ian Mearns

Olivia Blake Ian Lavery John McDonnell

Chris Stephens

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.

1753 Blasphemy charges against Christian nurses Mariyum Lal and Newsh Arooj in Pakistan

Tabled: 20/04/21 Signatories: 4

Jim Shannon Sir Mike Penning Margaret Ferrier Carol Monaghan

That this House notes the blasphemy charges against Christian nurses Mariyum Lal and Newsh Arooj in Pakistan; highlights the attack on those nurses by members of staff within Faisalabad Civil Hospital in central Punjab; notes that the nurses were instructed to remove wall hangings and have been subjected to a personal vendetta; calls on the Punjab Police and Government to protect those nurses and further to drop the erroneous allegations; and further calls on the Foreign Secretary to intervene and apply diplomatic pressure to secure the well being of those two nurses and their families.

1756 CCRC Review of Oliver Campbell's Case (No. 2)

Tabled: 20/04/21 Signatories: 4

John Cryer Mr Barry Sheerman John McDonnell Chris Stephens

That this House expresses its grave concern over the case of Oliver Campbell, a mentally challenged youth, convicted of murder in 1991 on the basis of a confession containing many inaccuracies and absurdities, made after unfair questioning and in the absence of a solicitor by a jury which was never informed that his co-defendant had exonerated him to police; welcomes the decision of the Criminal Cases Review Commission to reconsider the case; and encourages the Commission to follow the advice of a former Commissioner, David James Smith broadcast by BBC Newsnight on 16 March 2021, to refer this very stale and very troubling case back to the Court of Appeal at the earliest possible opportunity.

1757 National Autistic Society East Renfrewshire

Tabled: 21/04/21 Signatories: 6

Kirsten Oswald Jim Shannon Allan Dorans Carol Monaghan Chris Stephens Chris Law

That this House recognises the fantastic work of the National Autistic Society East Renfrewshire Branch in its continued effort to increase autism acceptance and inclusion in East Renfrewshire; commends the invaluable work of volunteers in providing monthly information sessions offering support and information to autistic people and their families; notes the helpful information sessions that have provided by those volunteers on topics such as Post-School Transition and Talking to your Child/Young Person about their ASD Diagnoses which have offered support to local families; praises the work of those volunteers on social media during Autism Awareness Week where they posted a fact a day about Autism dispelling some of the myths associated with autism; welcomes the relaunch of the Stepping Stones initiative in May 2021 year that will assist East Renfrewshire parents and carers, who have a child or young person on the autism diagnostic pathway or recently

diagnosed in the last 12 months, with information on understanding autism, education rights and entitlements, and signposting parents and carers to relevant East Renfrewshire services; celebrates the first birthday of the National Autistic Society East Renfrewshire Branch in March 2021, and looks forward to many more years of this vital community-focused support for autistic people and their loved ones in East Renfrewshire.

1758 Contribution to Travel Award awarded to Jacqueline Dobson

Tabled: 21/04/21 Signatories: 5

Kirsten Oswald Jim Shannon Allan Dorans Chris Stephens Chris Law

That this House congratulates Jacqueline Dobson, President of Barrhead Travel Group, which is headquartered in East Renfrewshire, who was recognised with a special Contribution to Travel award in the Travel Trade Gazette Top 50 Awards for 2020; notes that that award not only recognises the success Ms Dobson has achieved with Barrhead Travel but also her wider contribution to the travel industry and comes in the wake of what she has described as the most challenging year of her two decades working in the travel business; recognises that judges were impressed by Ms Dobson's efforts to support staff and customers at a time when the coronavirus pandemic has had a devastating impact on the travel industry; further recognises that, as demand for travel dropped as a result of that pandemic, Barrhead Travel worked proactively with the Scottish Government and NHS Scotland to ensure that the expertise of their call-centre staff could be utilised in Scotland's Test and Protect system efforts to control the covid-19 virus; and wishes Ms Dobson and the staff of Barrhead Travel all the best as they work to recover from the challenges posed by the covid-19 pandemic.

1759 Global covid-19 vaccine inequality

Tabled: 21/04/21 Signatories: 15

Claire Hanna
Colum Eastwood
Jim Shannon
Ben Lake
Caroline Lucas
Jonathan Edwards

Carol Monaghan

That this House notes with concern that affluent countries including the UK have bought enough covid-19 vaccines to immunise the population many times over while poorer countries are hindered by industry monopolies that are driving supply shortages and blocking vaccine access; acknowledges the moral and practical necessity to challenge that situation; further notes the limited capacity of the Covax programme as it aims only to vaccinate 20 per cent of the populations of recipient countries in 2021, meaning that many nations will be waiting until at least 2024 to achieve mass covid-19 immunisation; notes that increased efforts and action are needed urgently to address that situation; adds our voice to that of over 150 former heads of state and Nobel laureates calling for a people's vaccine to end the covid-19 global pandemic; and urges the UK Government to prevent corporate profit from being prioritised in covid-19 vaccine programmes, including by dropping its opposition to a covid-19 vaccine patent waiver thereby helping to eradicate global covid-19

vaccine inequality across the globe, giving poorer nations a chance to fight and be free of the covid-19 virus.

1760 Queens Park FC Scottish League 2 Champions

Tabled: 21/04/21 Signatories: 7

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Stewart Malcolm McDonald Jim Shannon Margaret Ferrier Allan Dorans Carol Monaghan Chris Stephens

Chris Law

That this House congratulates Queens Park Football Club, Scotland's oldest team, the players, staff and supporters on the club winning its fifth league title in the club's 154-year history, the Scottish League 2 title; applauds the club in extending its own and the city of Glasgow's proud history of footballing success; and encourages supporters to celebrate safely within the current covid-19 restrictions.

1761 Cameron Garrett, Member of the Scottish Youth Parliament of the Year 2020

Tabled: 21/04/21 Signatories: 5

Tabled: 21/04/21

Signatories: 6

Brendan O'Hara Jim Shannon Carol Monaghan Chris Stephens Chris Law

That this House congratulates Cameron Garrett from Lochgilphead in Argyll and Bute on being named Member of the Scottish Youth Parliament of the Year at the Scottish Youth Parliament Awards 2021; commends Cameron on his hard work since being elected a MSYP in 2019; notes his dedication to his role, particularly his commitment to his new role as convenor of the Education and Lifelong Learning committee in the Scottish Youth Parliament; highlights the importance of the Scottish Youth Parliament in encouraging young people to engage with politics and the issues that impact their lives; thanks Cameron for his commitment in representing Argyll and Bute; and wishes Cameron and the Scottish Youth Parliament all the best for the future.

1762 TotsBots 20th anniversary

David Linden
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans
Carol Monaghan
Chris Stephens
Chris Law

That this House congratulates TotsBots, a company based in Glasgow East constituency which manufactures environmentally-friendly reusable nappies, on its twentieth anniversary in April 2021; acknowledges how successfully the business has grown over the past two decades since starting

at the kitchen table of husband and wife team Magnus and Fiona Smyth in 2001; commends the company on its sustainable credentials and the positive impact it has made by reducing the number of single-use disposable nappies in landfill; and wishes all of the management and staff at TotsBots every success as they move into their third decade in business.

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1763 Kintyre Schools Pipe Band

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That this House congratulates Kintyre Schools Pipe Band on securing a highly creditable second place at the 2021 Scottish Schools Freestyle Championships in March 2021, a category of competition that showcases the versatility of the pipes and drums in combination with other musical instruments; notes that the Kintyre Schools Pipe Band competed against 15 other schools from across Scotland in the event organised by the Scottish School's Pipes and Drums Trust; acknowledges that due to covid-19 restrictions the competition was more complicated than usual with the pipers and drummers and the other musicians having to film their individual performances for the judges; thanks everyone involved with the Kintyre Schools Pipe Bands for helping keep the piping tradition alive and thriving in Argyll; and wishes the Kintyre Schools Pipe Band all the very best in future competitions.

1764 Youth Mobility Scheme

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Stephen Farry Wendy Chamberlain

That this House recognises the benefits of the Youth Mobility Scheme which allows young people to live, work and study in the UK for up to 24 months; notes the importance of that scheme to the development of young people's understanding of different countries and cultures; further notes that the scheme stimulates investment in tourist activities and language schools; recognises the scheme further supports the economy by providing a route for prospective Au Pairs to come to the UK from other countries and vice versa, who provide an affordable and flexible childcare solution; acknowledges that the scheme is limited in scope in terms of countries that can take part and number of places available; laments that EU countries are not included in the scheme; and urges the Government to expand the scope of the Youth Mobility Scheme in recognition of the benefits it delivers to young people.

1765 Fan-led review of football in England

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That this House welcomes the proposed fan-led review of football governance, but insists that it takes a comprehensive view of every aspect of both the men's and women's game in England; puts football fans front and centre of the review process and recommendations; asserts that no part of the game should be off the table for discussion, and that the sport of football grasps the opportunity to instigate widespread reform of the national game; acknowledges that football has proven unable to govern itself from the top of the game with elite clubs running roughshod over the wishes of fans, players and coaches, down to the lower leagues where historic clubs have disappeared forever; asserts that clubs are valuable cultural assets which are part of this country's heritage and deserve special protection; encourages the fan-led review to reconfigure the power structures in football institutions so that fans are at, and continue to be at, the heart of the decision-making process; supports the concept of supporter board members and removes barriers to supporter ownership; seeks to protect clubs, improve transparency and financial sustainability, strengthen the football pyramid, and increase supporter engagement as per the Football Supporters' Association's Sustain The Game campaign; gives fans a voice in determining ticket prices, kick-off times, distribution of finances, funding of the grassroots; and emphasises that all of this can be delivered but recognises that a strong, independent regulatory body will be required, as may legislation, for this to be successful.

1766 The need for investment in good green jobs across the United Kingdom

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Ed Davey Rebecca Long Bailey Richard Thomson

That this house notes the significance of Earth Day; further notes the urgency with which the UK must act to address the climate and nature emergencies; welcomes this government's focus on the job creation potential of a green recovery in its G7 priorities; sees the opportunity for the recovery to create over one million good green jobs where everyone has a role to play from insulating homes to delivering first class public services, replacing jobs lost as a result of the pandemic and 'levelling up'; understands green jobs to include low carbon jobs in care, education and health as well as in industry and infrastructure; welcomes data from Green New Deal UK revealing the potential for a job-rich green recovery in every constituency; calls on the government to significantly increase investment in training and the creation of well-paid, good quality, green jobs; further urges the Government to guarantee a just transition for workers in today's high carbon sectors including oil, gas, steel and aviation; regrets the closure of the Green Homes Grants scheme and urges its reform, refinancing and reinstatement, prioritising local authority-led home retrofit programmes; urges the Government to ensure the remits of the UK Infrastructure Bank and Green Savings Bonds advance a green economy and do not support fossil fuel extraction; and calls on the Government to move

towards a wellbeing economy where the number of good green jobs and the wellbeing of people and nature are the primary measures of the health of the nations.

1767 Bahraini children abused and subjected to threats of rape and electric shock

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That this House views with grave concern revelations made by the Bahrain Institute for Rights and Democracy and Human Rights Watch on 10 March 2021 regarding human rights violations against 13 detained children in Bahrain; notes that Husain Abdulrasool, Fares Husain, Mohammed Jafar and Sayed Hasan Ameen were convicted on 11 March 2021 after being tried as adults; raises alarm that three were convicted on the basis of one child's confession extracted under abuse and threats of torture; further notes that two children were detained for protesting against the November 2020 Bahrain Grand Prix; reminds Bahrain that the Convention on the Rights of the Child prohibits detaining children in all but the most exceptional of circumstances; decries that prosecutors and judges enabled abuse and due process violations in these cases; calls upon the Government to apply the Magnisky Act against implicated officials; strongly condemns that children were abused and threatened with sexual assault and electric shocks to coerce their confessions; expresses concern that the Bahraini Ministry of the Interior Ombudsman's investigation whitewashed abuses against children; urges for the halt of British technical assistance to Bahraini oversight bodies; regrets that the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office did not raise those cases immediately; and calls upon the Government to publicly condemn the mistreatment of those children in Bahrain