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Early Day Motions tabled on Tuesday 13 July 2021

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New EDMs

312 Tom Stoltman 2021 World's Strongest Man

Tabled: 13/07/21 Signatories: 1

Neale Hanvey

That this House offers its profound congratulations to Scotland's Tom Stoltman on his incredible achievement of winning the 2021 World's Strongest Man competition in Sacramento, California last month; notes that 27 year-old Tom finished three points clear of the hugely experienced Brian Shaw, a four-time champion considered by many to be one of the greatest strength athletes of all time; further notes that Tom has made history in becoming the very first Scot to be crowned World's Strongest Man, and only the fourth British citizen to achieve this feat since the great Geoff Capes in the 1980s; acknowledges that Tom and his older brother Luke, who finished seventh in this year's final, are wonderful ambassadors for British sport; and recognises that Tom, who has spoken openly about his struggles with his Autism Spectrum Disorder, is a true role model and someone from whom we can all draw huge inspiration.

313 De La Salle Academy

Tabled: 13/07/21 Signatories: 6

**Ian Byrne
Paula Barker
Kim Johnson
Maria Eagle
Dan Carden
Mick Whitley**

That this House recognises that there is a shortage of secondary education places in Liverpool and that the De La Salle Academy is facing possible permanent closure; notes that De La Salle has served generations in the community for over 100 years; further notes that the school has opened up opportunities for young people to access an education and careers they would never have had;

recognises that the kitchens of De La Salle supported the community and all their pupils throughout the covid-19 outbreak; notes that the sports facilities and swimming pool provide vital, year round, access to the community and local groups and plays an important role in improving both physical health and mental wellbeing; further notes that the buildings and grounds along with the training school offer the potential for direct careers from school age; believes that the community needs support and investment; further believes that existing resources provided by De La Salle need to be further utilised and not threatened with closure; and calls on the Government to take urgent steps to protect De La Salle for pupils and the community

314 Reductions to the regional political monitoring of Parliament

Tabled: 13/07/21 Signatories: 1

Ian Mearns

That this House is deeply concerned by proposals to slash the number of staff working in the BBC Regional Political Unit based at Millbank by over a third; notes that the unit is the eyes and ears of the BBC English regions in Westminster, coordinating political newsgathering for the BBC's early evening regional TV news programme, as well as the regional breakfast, lunchtime and late evening TV bulletins and Sunday political programmes and across all local radio output; further notes that the unit is often the only part of the BBC watching backbench business and adjournment debates where hon. Members can raise important local issues which might not make it onto the national news; fears that staff cuts will inevitable impact on capacity to spotting stories, keeping the regions informed about what their MPs are doing and enabling public awareness of questions and contributions from backbench hon. Members; is concerned by BBC management's failure to identify the activities currently undertaken which will be withdrawn or diminished as a result of staffing cuts; fears that the cuts will substantially reduce the monitoring of backbenchers' contributions, and threaten a substantial fall in the number of local clips of hon. Members speaking in Parliament provided for TV and radio; and therefore calls on the Government to ensure that the BBC continues to finance a properly staffed Regional Political Unit so that the public can be well-informed regarding debates, about their area, in Parliament.

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.

266 Sarcoma UK and Sarcoma Awareness Month 2021

Tabled: 30/06/21 Signatories: 46

Marion Fellows
Dr Philippa Whitford
Kirsten Oswald
David Linden
Patricia Gibson
Jim Shannon

Owen Thompson

Margaret Ferrier

Deidre Brock

That this House recognises Sarcoma Awareness Month from 1 to 31 July, and its importance in spreading awareness of Sarcoma as an uncommon and fast-spreading cancer; acknowledges the necessity of early, fast and accurate diagnosis for the 5,300 people diagnosed with the disease annually in the UK; recognises the hard work of carers, NHS and Hospice staff for all they do to

support patients; commends the charity Sarcoma UK for its excellent work in providing essential information, support and advocacy for those diagnosed with Sarcoma and their families; and further commends the staff at Sarcoma UK for continuing to advocate for Sarcoma patients to have access to the best physical and psychological care possible.

269 International School Aberdeen, showing racism the red card

Tabled: 1/07/21 Signatories: 15

Stephen Flynn
John Nicolson
Marion Fellows
Allan Dorans
Jonathan Edwards
Amy Callaghan

Joanna Cherry

That this House congratulates pupils from the International School Aberdeen on being selected as finalists in 2021's Show Racism the Red Card Creative Competition; notes that over 1,500 young people from across Scotland took part, creatively expressing their messages of inclusion with some fantastic artwork, poetry, creative writing, t-shirt designs, music and short films; acknowledges that the competition encourages children to develop a piece of creative work that gets across a clear message of anti-racism and the positive impact this can have on the attitudes of young people, and wider society; and praises the continuous work of Show Racism the Red Card in Scotland in encouraging and educating young people to respect each other.

270 In remembrance of Willie Duncan

Tabled: 1/07/21 Signatories: 9

Peter Grant
John Nicolson
Marion Fellows
Allan Dorans
Pete Wishart
Chris Law

Margaret Ferrier

That this House remembers Willie Duncan of Cardenden, fondly known by many as Dunc, who was a stalwart of the local community right up until his recent passing; recognises the significant contributions he made over many years to the development of the ABCD villages (Auchterderran, Bowhill, Cardenden and Dundonald); highlights that his work was so appreciated by the community that a couple of years ago the Cardenden Community Development Fund named Dunc's View in his honour after the refurbishment of the popular beauty spot right in the heart of the community; notes his willingness to work with anyone and everyone if it benefitted the local area in some way; commends his true and unwavering commitment and the jovial nature to which he dedicated so much of his time to the local area and its people; and sends its condolences to his family and friends at this sad time.

273 Service reductions at the British Council

Tabled: 1/07/21 Signatories: 25

Chris Stephens
Wera Hobhouse
John Nicolson
Marion Fellows
Allan Dorans
Stephen Farry

Caroline Lucas

Joanna Cherry

That this House acknowledges the vital role of the British Council in promoting education, training and language across the globe; notes that it was created in 1934 to improve global cultural relations and social mobility and currently works with over 100 countries worldwide changing the lives of millions and helping people to understand other cultures as well as promoting British values; is aware that the British Council employs over 11,000 people across the world with over 1000 being UK based staff; is further aware that ordinarily the British Council generates 85 per cent of its income through teaching and examinations but has faced major difficulties due to the covid-19 pandemic; further notes that in 2020 thanks to the campaigning efforts of the PCS Union and other supportive organisations and individuals, additional money was secured from Government to see the organisations through its financial difficulties; is concerned that the loans provided as well as emergency funding has come with stringent and detrimental conditions determined by the FCDO including the sale of a section of its commercial business in India, a restructure resulting in a 15 to 20 per cent cut to staffing and estates related to the organisation potentially resulting in the loss of around 2000 skilled and vital jobs; and therefore calls on the FCDO to halt the redundancy process and support the British Council in future strategic and detailed planning which retains jobs and the valued reputation of the organisation across the world.

274 Importance of youth work

Tabled: 5/07/21 Signatories: 15

Lloyd Russell-Moyle
Navendu Mishra
Paula Barker
Ian Lavery
Mick Whitley
Jim Shannon

Caroline Lucas

Mohammad Yasin

That this House notes the incredible work and dedication of youth workers across the UK who have been supporting young people throughout this pandemic when all other support networks have been closed or have been inaccessible; further notes the decision by the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport to recognise youth workers as key workers in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic; notes that youth work is a degree entry profession and that the JNC agreement states that all professional youth workers must have a degree or equivalent qualification; recognises that youth workers have faced real-terms pay cuts of as much as 24 per cent over the past 10 years; believes that all young people across the UK should have access to a statutory funded, wide-ranging and universal youth service with ring-fenced funding from central Government which is delivered by local authorities working closely with schools and youth voluntary organisations; and further believes that the joint trade union claim for youth worker to receive a 10 per cent pay rise plus an improvement in work-life balance would deliver real improvements to the well-being of staff, and consequently to the quality of youth services provided.

277 Growth in employee-owned businesses

Tabled: 5/07/21 Signatories: 12

Douglas Chapman
Marion Fellows
Alison Thewliss
Jonathan Edwards
Jim Shannon
Drew Hendry

Margaret Ferrier

Joanna Cherry

That this House welcomes the growth in Scotland of employee-owned Scottish companies; and supports the Scottish Government's target of having 500 employee-owned businesses by 2030 to help maintain a strong and resilient commercial sector in Scotland, where being an employee-owned enterprise is seen as a positive option to enhance skills, productivity and company revenues.

278 Open Doors' report entitled Destructive Lies, and religious minorities in India

Tabled: 5/07/21 Signatories: 17

Brendan O'Hara
Marion Fellows
Alison Thewliss
Jonathan Edwards
John Spellar
Patricia Gibson

Caroline Lucas

Ben Lake

That this House notes with grave concern the contents of Destructive Lies, the recently published report from the Christian charity Open Doors, based on work done by a research team from the London School of Economics, which concludes that due to a sharp rise in extreme Hindu religious nationalism, Christians, Muslims and other religious minorities in India are living in an atmosphere of deep trauma, fear and anxiety; is alarmed to learn that religious minorities in India are suffering systematic persecution and are, in the words of the report, facing an existential threat due to the increasing instances of beatings and murders carried out by extremists mobs, whose crimes all too often go unpunished by the police and local courts; is deeply saddened that as a result, India is now ranked 10th in the world on the Open Doors Watch List of where it is the most dangerous place to be a Christian; notes that since the start of the covid-19 pandemic, religious persecution has significantly worsened amid false accusations that Christians and Muslims have deliberately spread the virus, accusations are repeated and amplified on several social-media platforms; demands that social media companies do more to ensure that such dangerous and harmful content is immediately removed; and calls on the UK Government to raise the plight of Indian religious minorities with the Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi, and the High Commissioner as a matter of urgency.

280 ISS workers at the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy

Tabled: 5/07/21 Signatories: 18

John McDonnell
Mick Whitley
Jonathan Edwards
Beth Winter
Navendu Mishra
Paula Barker

Caroline Lucas

That this House believes that all workers in Government buildings deserve to be paid fairly and treated with respect and dignity at work; regrets that, all too often, people employed in roles outsourced to private contractors face a struggle to defend their basic pay, terms and conditions at work in comparison to their centrally contracted colleagues; notes that such workers are more likely to be female or to come from Black and Minority Ethnic backgrounds; further notes that support staff working for ISS on Government Property Agency contracts at the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy seek improved pay and conditions, the agreement of a protocol on covid-19 health and safety, agreed bonus payments for working through the covid-19 lockdown, the restoration of annual leave entitlements deducted unilaterally and to avoid redundancies; is disappointed that ISS management have failed to respond to these reasonable proposals; and gives support and solidarity to PCS members left with no choice other than to ballot for industrial action.

283 Homophobic attacks on LGBTQ+ campaigners in Tbilisi

Tabled: 5/07/21 Signatories: 18

Layla Moran
Alison Thewliss
Jonathan Edwards
Sir Mike Penning
Andrew Gwynne
Jamie Stone

Caroline Lucas

That this House strongly condemns the attacks on LGBTQ+ campaigners in Tbilisi; expresses its regret that the Tbilisi Pride march has had to be called off as a result; expresses concern for the safety of LGBTQ+ campaigners and other community members, as well as those journalists who were attacked; calls on the Government to condemn the words of Georgian Prime Minister Irakli Garibashvili that the march was not reasonable; further calls on the Government to further promote and uphold LGBTQ+ rights and all other human rights worldwide; and resolves that the right to protest must be upheld in all parts of the world.

284 Hassan Mushaima and political prisoners detained in Bahrain

Tabled: 5/07/21 Signatories: 16

Andy Slaughter
Alison Thewliss
Jonathan Edwards
Kenny MacAskill
Andrew Gwynne
Mary Kelly Foy

Ms Diane Abbott
Brendan O'Hara

Caroline Lucas

Martyn Day

That this House is deeply concerned by the decade-long detention of 73-year-old Hassan Mushaima in Bahrain who was sentenced to life imprisonment for his peaceful role as a political opposition leader in 2011; decries that Mushaima was brutally tortured, subjected to protracted medical negligence and that his condition continues to severely deteriorate; profoundly regrets that since April 2021 two political prisoners and Jau Prison inmates, Husain Barakat and Abbas Malallah, died at Jau Prison; emphasises that Jau Prison authorities' failure to prevent covid-19 outbreaks amongst inmates puts the lives of vulnerable prisoners like Mushaima at serious risk; notes that the European Parliament recently called for the release of Mushaima and others; is concerned that the UK Ambassador to Bahrain recently praised Jau Prison as a well-run facility with good medical provision despite the UN, Human Rights Watch, Amnesty International and the Bahrain Institute for Rights and Democracy expressing concern at authorities persistent failure to provide adequate medical care in Bahrain's prisons; unreservedly condemns Bahraini authorities' perpetration of systematic medical negligence against vulnerable prisoners; further condemns false assurances provided to this House by the UK Government regarding the provision of medical care to political prisoners in Bahrain; and calls on the Government to use all available leverage to press Bahrain for the immediate and unconditional release of all Bahraini political prisoners detained solely for peacefully exercising their right to free expression, association and assembly, with particular reference to political leaders with heightened vulnerability to novid-19, namely Hassan Mushaima, Abduljalil Al-Singace and Abdulwahab Husain.

290 APPG Report on UK funding facilitating human rights abuses in Bahrain and Saudi Arabia

Tabled: 7/07/21 Signatories: 18

Brendan O'Hara
Marion Fellows
Allan Dorans
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Deidre Brock

Ms Diane Abbott
Joanna Cherry

Caroline Lucas

Martyn Day

That this House expresses concern at the findings of the July 2021 report by the APPG on Democracy and Human Rights in the Gulf which shows that at least £53.4 million in public funds have benefited Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) states since 2016; is shocked that beneficiaries of UK-funding include institutions in Bahrain and Saudi Arabia accused of facilitating and perpetrating human rights abuses and potential war crimes; is alarmed by the considerable lack of transparency and accountability surrounding the Integrated Activity Fund (IAF), despite the government recommending a root and branch overhaul to strengthen the transparency, accountability and governance of the IAF as early as 2019; is concerned that £10 million has been allocated to GCC states through the IAF's successor, the Gulf Strategy Fund (GSF), for 2021-22, including support for abusive Bahraini oversight bodies; maintains that funding assistance to those bodies places

the Government at risk of complicity in their abuses; raises concern over claims made by Ministers regarding the IAF and GSF; notes serious problems with the Government's human rights due diligence process which the report finds is flawed, improperly applied and entirely absent in some cases and urges that it should be replaced with binding statutory safeguards; affirms that the Government's pursuit of closer ties with the region must not come at the expense of human rights; and asks the Government to seriously consider responding to and implementing the report's recommendations, including suspending the GSF pending an independent investigation.

291 Alison Palmer, headteacher Arrochar Primary School.

Tabled: 7/07/21 Signatories: 10

Brendan O'Hara
Marion Fellows
Allan Dorans
Drew Hendry
Jim Shannon
Chris Law

Alison Thewliss

That this House sends its sincere thanks to Alison Palmer, who for the past 16 years has served as headteacher at Arrochar Primary School in Argyll and Bute; appreciates everything Alison has done for the her pupils and everything she contributed to the local community in her 28 years as a teacher; acknowledges Alison's dedication to education and commends her on a hugely successful tenure as headteacher, which saw Arrochar Primary School receiving the best inspection report any Argyll and Bute school has ever had; notes that in 2012 Alison was a finalist in the head teacher of the year awards; congratulates Alison in securing a new role with the Educational Institute of Scotland, an organisation that she has been closely involved with throughout her teaching career, having previously been a delegate, treasurer, then local and national president; recognises that in 2019, the EIS made Alison their Degree Fellow for her contribution to education; and wishes Alison well in her new job in the future.

293 Access to cash

Tabled: 7/07/21 Signatories: 43

Marion Fellows
Owen Thompson
Kirsten Oswald
Navendu Mishra
Allan Dorans
Dr Philippa Whitford

Alison Thewliss
Gavin Newlands
Ian Blackford
Drew Hendry
Joanna Cherry
Stuart C McDonald

Alan Brown
Dave Doogan
Angela Crawley
Martin Docherty-Hughes
Richard Thomson

Martyn Day
Stephen Flynn
Hannah Bardell
David Linden
Brendan O'Hara

That this House recognises the importance of access to cash for the UK population; notes that due to bank branch closures and the loss of free-to-use ATMs across the UK, millions are at risk of losing access to cash; further notes that all communities should be guaranteed a right to cash services including withdrawal and deposits to cash and that these services should be available to the penny and free at the point of use recognising the importance of cash to those most vulnerable and small businesses; supports the services offered by all Post Offices for cash withdrawals and deposits under

the current banking framework; further supports the Post Office's Save Our Cash campaign which highlights the importance of access to cash; and calls on the Government to introduce legislation to ensure access to cash is protected by law.

295 Brynn Hauxwell, Young Fundraiser of the Year

Tabled: **8/07/21** Signatories: **6**

Mr Alistair Carmichael
Chris Stephens
Anum Qaisar-Javed
Marion Fellows
Alison Thewliss
Margaret Ferrier

That this House congratulates Shetlander Brynn Hauxwell for being awarded the Young Fundraiser of the Year award at the 2021 Pride of Scotland ceremony; notes that Brynn has raised around £10,000 for Ability Shetland across the last 18 months during two separate challenges; that these challenges included a gruelling 1,679 mile effort, the length of the coast of Shetland, and 16 half-marathons in May; and welcomes the funding and awareness Brynn has raised for Ability Shetland in its remit to support the efforts of disabled people to realise their full potential in all areas of life.

296 Access to safe and legal credit

Tabled: **8/07/21** Signatories: **6**

Sir David Amess
Chris Stephens
Jonathan Edwards
Wera Hobhouse
John McDonnell
Margaret Ferrier

That this House recognises the serious harm caused by illegal money lending and a lack of access to safe and legal credit; notes the rise in vulnerable women becoming victims of sexual exploitation and being forced into prostitution by loan sharks; further notes that the demise of the home collected credit market will only see an increase in loan sharks forcing vulnerable women into debt bondage; and supports the preservation of legal and regulated credit for vulnerable people.

298 VAT on sunscreen

Tabled: **8/07/21** Signatories: **14**

Patricia Gibson
Marion Fellows
Chris Stephens
Deidre Brock
John Nicolson
Carol Monaghan

Alison Thewliss

Margaret Ferrier

Joanna Cherry

That this House calls for sunscreen to be reclassified as an essential healthcare item and therefore be exempted from VAT, given the important role it plays in preventing serious health conditions such as skin cancer; understands that sunscreen is currently classified as a cosmetic product in the UK and is therefore subject to 20 per cent VAT, which adds around £1.50 to the cost of each bottle;

recognises that Cancer Research UK has concluded that being sunburnt once every two years can triple the risk of melanoma skin cancer, and that melanoma skin cancer incidence rates have more than doubled in the UK since the early 1990s; and calls on the Government to therefore take action to remove VAT on this essential product to make it more affordable and to encourage people to protect themselves from the harmful effects of the sun.

299 **Pride of Scotland Lifetime Achievement Award awarded to Professor Sir Geoff Palmer**

Tabled: 8/07/21 Signatories: 20

Owen Thompson
Marion Fellows
Amy Callaghan
Martin Docherty-Hughes
Chris Stephens
Joanna Cherry

Brendan O'Hara

That this House expresses its profound congratulations to Professor Sir Geoff Palmer on being awarded a Pride of Scotland Lifetime Achievement Award; notes that Professor Sir Geoff Palmer has made significant contributions to fields as diverse as brewing and human rights activism; recognises that he discovered the barley abrasion process, which was subsequently adopted by the UK's biggest breweries; notes that in 1998, he became the fourth person to be honoured with the American Society of Brewing Chemists Award of Distinction; further notes that he became Scotland's first black professor in 1988 and is now serving as emeritus professor in the School of Life Sciences at Heriot-Watt University as well as the University's chancellor; understands that he lived in Jamaica until shortly before his fifteenth birthday before moving to England to join his mother, who had moved here as a member of the Windrush generation; commends his role over the past year as a powerful voice in the movement for change prompted by Black Lives Matter, including leading the successful campaign for a reinterpretation of the Melville Monument in Edinburgh honouring Henry Dundas.

300 **Israel Arms Trade (Prohibition) Bill**

Tabled: 8/07/21 Signatories: 25

Richard Burgon
Caroline Lucas
Liz Saville Roberts
Tommy Sheppard
Jeremy Corbyn
Tahir Ali

Alan Brown
Mick Whitley
Mary Kelly Foy

Ms Diane Abbott
Grahame Morris
Bell Ribeiro-Addy

Mohammad Yasin
Apsana Begum
Kate Osborne

This House notes that the UK Government has authorised hundreds of millions of pounds worth of arms sales to Israel between 2016 and 2020; believes that the UK Government should end these arms sales as part of efforts to end Israel's militarized repression of Palestinians, violations of international law and the illegal occupation of Palestine; and therefore welcomes the presentation of the Israel Arms Trade (Prohibition) Bill laid on 7 July 2021 that seeks to stop the UK Government from authorising arms sales to Israel.

301 Human rights situation in Egypt

Tabled: 12/07/21 Signatories: 5

Margaret Ferrier
Hywel Williams
Kenny MacAskill
Jonathan Edwards
John McDonnell

That this House is deeply concerned about continuing serious human rights violations in Egypt, including reports of systematic torture, enforced disappearances, unfair trials and the blatant misuse of counter-terrorism and national security legislation, following the military overthrow of the Morsi Government in July 2013; notes with profound regret that according to Amnesty International, Egypt has become among the top three countries in numbers of executions and death sentences globally, and at least 51 men and women were executed in that country in the first half of 2021, with more executions pending; further notes with alarm the relentless persecution, abuse and false criminalisation of lawyers, journalists, academics, politicians and civil society representatives, and their family members, in an attempt to silence legitimate dissent in Egypt; highlights the arbitrary detention in often harsh conditions of lawyer Mohamed El-Baqer, activist Alaa Abdel Fattah, video reporter Mohamed Ibrahim Radwan, blogger Esraa Abdel Fattah, activist Sanaa Seif, researcher Patrick Zaki, student Ahmed Samir Santawy, and defender of the Coptic Christian minority, Ramy Kamel, who are among hundreds the Egyptian authorities should release immediately and unconditionally; and calls on the Government, further to the joint statement on Egypt co-sponsored in March 2021 at the UN Human Rights Council, to suspend arms exports to and preferential trading arrangements for that country until a moratorium on the death penalty is imposed and prisoners of conscience released, and to apply punitive measures on Egyptian individuals and entities responsible for such gross abuses.

303 Congratulations to the England national football team on their Euro 2020 performance

Tabled: 12/07/21 Signatories: 4

Jim Shannon
Sir Mike Penning
Tim Farron
Andrew Gwynne

That this House recognises the tremendous boost given to this nation by the victories of the England national football team in the Euro 2020 tournament; thanks each player and staff member of all the home nation football squads for their hard work, grit and determination; congratulates the England team for the wonderful result in bringing the beautiful game home to a final in Wembley and back into young and old hearts throughout the nation; notes the great spectator spirit and wonderful renditions of Sweet Caroline and reminds the English fans that whilst Northern Ireland was happy to offer the loan of our footballing anthem to our brothers for the Euros that we will be taking that anthem back as we all prepare for further victory and glory in the World Cup.

304 England national football team Euro 2020 runners up

Tabled: 12/07/21 Signatories: 8

Ed Davey
 Tim Farron
 Daisy Cooper
 Andrew Gwynne
 Jamie Stone
 Wera Hobhouse

Munira Wilson

John McDonnell

That this House celebrates the incredible achievements of the England men's football team in the UEFA Euro 2020 championship, reaching the final of a major tournament for the first time in 55 years; expresses deep pride and great respect for the way that team's players and manager conducted themselves on and off the pitch; thanks those players and that manager for the way that they inspired, excited and united the nation after such a difficult 18 months; strongly condemns the racist abuse directed towards that squad's Black players; and looks forward with anticipation to that team's future success.

305 DVLA and Department for Work and Pensions' help for Personal Independence Payment claimants

Tabled: 12/07/21 Signatories: 2

John Nicolson
 John McDonnell

That this House recognises how difficult, long and arduous form filling can be for people with disabilities, especially when those forms are in hardcopy; and advocates for improved communication between DVLA and the Department for Work and Pensions in order to make the 50 per cent reduction in vehicle tax, for those in receipt of the standard rate mobility component on Personal Independence Payment, an automatic process.

306 150th Anniversary of the Durham Miners' Gala

Tabled: 12/07/21 Signatories: 15

Mary Kelly Foy
 Grahame Morris
 Kate Osborne
 Paula Barker
 Mick Whitley
 Navendu Mishra

Jon Trickett
 Apsana Begum
 Ian Byrne

John McDonnell
 Jonathan Edwards
 Zarah Sultana

Clive Lewis
 Rebecca Long Bailey
 Jeremy Corbyn

That this House celebrates the 150th anniversary of the Durham Miners' Gala or the Big Meeting; expresses severe regret at the cancellation of the Gala for the second consecutive year but commends the Durham Miners Association for prioritising public health; welcomes the news that County Durham Miners Banners Groups will instead organise events in communities across the county this summer; recognises the important historical and cultural ties between the mining industry and County Durham; further recognises miners and the National Union of Mineworkers for their contributions to the labour movement, trade unionism, and the Labour Party; thanks miners for their economic and cultural contribution to Durham and Britain across centuries; looks forward

to the refurbishment of Redhill's Durham Miners Hall and transformation into a cultural centre; further looks forward to the resumption of the Big Meeting in 2022; commends the Marras for the announcement that all banner groups will be paid double band allowance next year to help with the financial stress caused by the covid-19 outbreak; and encourages everyone to become a Marra.

307 Funding success for Black Bull Close project

Tabled: 12/07/21 Signatories: 2

Kenny MacAskill
Margaret Ferrier

That this House congratulates the Black Bull Close project in Dunbar, East Lothian on being awarded a grant of £250,000 from the National Lottery Heritage Fund; notes that the National Lottery Heritage Fund invests money raised by National Lottery players to grant funds to museums, parks, historic places, archaeology, natural environment and cultural traditions; and wishes everyone involved in the Black Bull Close project every success.

308 Dame Carol Black's independent review of drugs

Tabled: 12/07/21 Signatories: 8

Grahame Morris
Kenny MacAskill
Alison Thewliss
Jonathan Edwards
Crispin Blunt [R]
Tommy Sheppard

Ronnie Cowan

John McDonnell

That this House thanks Professor Dame Carol Black for her comprehensive Independent Review of Drugs, Part 2 which outlines a clear way forward on drug treatment and recovery to bring hope and real change to the many individuals, families and communities whose lives are blighted by drug addiction and by the criminals who exploit it; welcomes her recommendations to achieve this, presented as concrete proposals deliverable within this Parliament; agrees with her analysis that the current situation is intolerable and that a whole-system approach, with cross-departmental co-ordination and commitment, is required; supports her view that substance misuse disproportionately affects our most deprived communities; acknowledges her call for improved pathways from criminal justice settings and for enabling the diversion of drug users into treatment; recognises that, although Part 1 of her review showed that the societal costs of drug misuse are £20 billion each year, in 2020 to 2021 only £650 million was spent on drug treatment; notes that every £1 currently spent on harm reduction and treatment saves £4 from reduced demands on health and justice; endorses her call for significantly increased investment in drug treatment and wider support; further notes her conclusion that ring-fenced, focused funding for treatment is absolutely necessary; notes that drug deaths are at record levels; and calls on the Government to adopt and implement the Review's recommendations in their entirety.

309 England and Euro 2020Tabled: **12/07/21** Signatories: **27**

Mr Clive Betts
Dan Jarvis
Dame Angela Eagle
Bell Ribeiro-Addy
Paul Blomfield
Ian Byrne

Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck
Andrew Gwynne
Kate Osborne

Sir Mike Penning
Mohammad Yasin
John McDonnell

Debbie Abrahams
Alison Thewliss

That this House congratulates the England Football Team, manager Gareth Southgate, the players and all the back room staff for the way that they have represented the country with dignity and commitment; particularly commends that manager, those players and those staff for the clear and demonstrable opposition to racism and discrimination which they have shown before every game and throughout that whole tournament; and believes that they should be proud of themselves as this House is proud of them.

310 Edward de BonoTabled: **12/07/21** Signatories: **2**

Sarah Olney
Jamie Stone

That this House celebrates the life of Edward de Bono, author and doctor, who has died aged 88; admires his authorial legacy, especially his work on encouraging creative thinking; notes his creation of the term lateral thinking, the employment of unorthodox means to solve a problem; further notes the lasting impact of his transformational book entitled Six Thinking Hats in business settings; and remembers his humour, tenacity and commitment to imagination.

311 Racism following the Euro 2020 finalTabled: **12/07/21** Signatories: **23**

Mary Kelly Foy
Andrew Gwynne
Jeremy Corbyn
Grahame Morris
Kate Osborne
Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck

Jon Trickett
Mick Whitley
Bell Ribeiro-Addy
Jonathan Edwards
Clive Lewis
Ian Byrne

Paula Barker
Navendu Mishra
Alison Thewliss
John McDonnell
Jamie Stone
Zarah Sultana

Mohammad Yasin
Kenny MacAskill
Tim Farron
Apsana Begum
Rebecca Long Bailey

That this House unequivocally condemns the racist abuse aimed at the England men's football team after the UEFA European Championship Final on 11 July 2021; notes that 19 year old Arsenal forward Bukayo Saka was forced to take down his Instagram account as a result of that racist abuse; further notes that the mural of 23 year old Manchester United forward Marcus Rashford in Withington was defaced following that match; further condemns the abuse suffered by fans outside the stadium and the violence that broke out before and after that game; recognises the work of

Show Racism the Red Card in its 25th anniversary year and supports its call for the Government to hold social media companies and individuals to account; and calls on the Government to display leadership on that issue and to match its rhetoric with action, to tackle the rising threats of online hate crimes and to acknowledge that some Ministerial statements on the booing of taking the knee are incompatible with eradicating racism from all walks of life.