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New EDMs

584 Death and recognition of Walter Smith OBE

Tabled: 26/10/21 Signatories: 35

Chris Stephens Brendan O'Hara Ian Blackford Gavin Newlands Stewart Hosie Dan Carden

Mr Gregory Campbell Anum Qaisar-Javed Richard Thomson
Owen Thompson Dave Doogan Alison Thewliss
Amy Callaghan Kirsten Oswald Patrick Grady
Stephen Flynn Anne McLaughlin Stewart Malcolm McDonald

Alan Brown Paula Barker Carol Monaghan
Patricia Gibson David Linden Ronnie Cowan
Allan Dorans Marion Fellows Drew Hendry
Deidre Brock Alyn Smith Pete Wishart
Jamie Stone Stuart C McDonald Chris Law

Mick Whitley Martin Docherty-Hughes

That this House expresses its deep sorrow at the death of Rangers Football Club legend, and one of the great modern day football managers, Walter Smith OBE; recognises Walter's extraordinary contribution to Scottish football, both as a manager and as a player, beginning his playing career at Dundee United in 1966, and a spell at Dumbarton before a return to the Tangerines; pays tribute to the incredible legacy of Walter as one of the most successful men ever to manage Rangers, winning ten Scottish Premier League titles, including securing a record nine league trophies in a row in the 1990s, winning five Scottish Cups, six Scottish League Cups and taking Rangers to the UEFA Cup Final in 2008 in his second spell as manager at the club; further notes his wider contribution to Rangers as an ambassador, advisor and briefly as chairman; recognises his successful spells as manager with the Scottish National Team, Everton and his short spell as assistant manager to Sir Alex Ferguson at Manchester United where he won the FA Cup in 2004; and extends our sincere sympathy to Walter's family, his former team mates, the wider footballing world and the tens of thousands of Ranger's fans around the world mourning the loss of a true Rangers Football Club legend.

585 Equality Impact Assessment for Autumn Spending Review and future budgets

Tabled: 26/10/21 Signatories: 3

Bell Ribeiro-Addy Apsana Begum Zarah Sultana

That this House notes that welfare cuts, benefit changes and reductions in public services disproportionally affect women, disabled people and Black, Asian and ethnic minorities (BAME); recognises a joint consultation response from the UK Women's Budget Group, Maternity Action and the End Violence Against Women Coalition (EVAW) which has called on the Government to commit to increase long-term public spending, which is the most effective way to level up; echoes the calls of the Women's Budget Group and others for the Government to carry out and publish equality impact assessments which should consider cumulative impact, intersectional impact, the impact on individuals as well as households, impact over a lifetime and the impact on unpaid care; therefore calls on the Government to undertake and publish a comprehensive equality impact assessment of all the Spending Review and Budget which includes an analysis of the impact of all measures, and a cumulative assessment, by gender, race, age, disability, income and region; and urges the Government to take urgent action to address structural inequalities, including structural racism.

586 Creature Comforts and Independent Pet Retailer of the Year

Tabled: 26/10/21 Signatories: 1

Kirsten Oswald

That this House congratulates Graeme and Ann Wilson, whose business, Creature Comforts, was awarded the UK Independent Retailer of the Year for 2021 at the Pet Industry Federation Awards; notes that Creature Comforts' first shop opened in Clarkston, East Renfrewshire, in 1997 and that the company has since grown to be Scotland's largest independent pet retailer; notes further that Creature Comforts is going into its 25th year as a family owned independent business, which now operates four pet shops, having opened a second shop in Milngavie in 2002, one in Shawlands, Glasgow, in 2011, and another in Burnside, Rutherglen, in 2017; understands that Creature Comforts have a dedicated and experienced team who can help and advise pet owners and stock a selection of items to suit pets' requirements; welcomes the support provided by Creature Comforts and its many loyal customers to the Scottish Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, supported by Bearsden Dog Training Club; and records its appreciation for the contribution such quality independent retailers make to local communities.

587 National Care Practitioner of the Year

Tabled: 26/10/21 Signatories: 1

Owen Thompson

That this House congratulates Paul Black on being recognised as National Care Practitioner of the Year at the Barchester Care Awards 2021; recognises Paul's stellar work at Drummond Grange Care Home in Lasswade, Midlothian; notes that the Barchester Care Awards celebrate the staff who go the extra mile for the benefit of the 12,000 residents living in Barchester's 248 care homes and private hospitals across the country; understands that more than 2,900 nominations were received from homes and hospitals across the UK; and sends its thanks to all workers across the care sector for the invaluable work they do, especially during such a difficult time.

588 Occupation of the Channel Islands during the Second World War

Tabled: 26/10/21 Signatories: 1

Andrew Rosindell

That this House remembers the generation of people who lived on the Channel Islands during their occupation by the Nazis from 1940 to 1945; recognises the importance of erecting a civilian memorial to the individuals that lived through this awful period in the history of the islands; thanks the Jersey Occupation Civilian Campaign for reporting the names of the 2000 Channel Islanders that were deported to Germany to be interned; remembers those Channel Islanders that died during this period due to the inhumane conditions in which they were kept; and believes that it is right that information regarding the occupation is accessible to the public so that the horrors of what was inflicted on the Channel Islanders is known by future generations.

The service of Oliver Denton Lieberman

Tabled: 26/10/21 Signatories: 14

Tulip Siddiq Janet Daby Dawn Butler Rosie Duffield Dr Rupa Huq Stella Creasy

Carolyn Harris Jeremy Corbyn Clive Lewis

Valerie Vaz Emma Hardy Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck

Kate Osamor Dr Rosena Allin-Khan

That this House recognises Oliver Denton Lieberman's dedication and public service as an office manager during many turbulent years in politics; appreciates that he has coordinated the campaign within Parliament to free Nazanin Zaghari-Ratcliffe and supported her family; acknowledges the role he has played in running an efficient office and representing the interests of people in Hampstead and Kilburn including over 20,000 European Union citizens; appreciates his unique sense of humour and his fear of Shaolin; and wishes him, his wife Anne and his daughters Annabelle and Genevieve the best in all future activities.

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.

490 Ban on trophy hunting imports (No. 2)

Tabled: 18/10/21 Signatories: 44

Andrew Rosindell Jim Shannon Alison Thewliss Hywel Williams Christina Rees Dr Lisa Cameron

Rosie Cooper Caroline Lucas

That this House express its great sadness at the tragic death of Sir David Amess MP while serving his constituents; pays tribute to his many years of tireless service to the people of Basildon and Southend and to the many causes of which he was a powerful champion, including the welfare of animals; recalls that Sir David was most recently campaigning for a ban on trophy hunting imports into the UK, including the tabling of EDM86 entitled Ban on trophy hunting imports; notes that the Government first set out its plans to introduce such a ban in the Queen's Speech of October 2019; calls on the Government to now implement that ban as quickly as possible as a fitting tribute to Sir David; notes the strong support for such a ban among the general public, with opinion polls showing 85 per cent of voters wish to see a total ban on all trophy hunting imports; reiterates Sir David's call in EDM86 for the Government to ensure that legislation covers all species whose trophies are imported into the UK; and urges the Government to ensure that the legislation includes an effective enforcement regime with tough punitive measures for offenders including custodial sentences.

492 Baby Loss Awareness Week 2021

Tabled: 18/10/21 Signatories: 54

Patricia Gibson Jim Shannon Hannah Bardell Allan Dorans Alison Thewliss Neale Hanvey

Claire Hanna Sammy Wilson Caroline Lucas

That this House recognises that Baby Loss Awareness Week took place from 9 to 15 October 2021; offers sincere sympathy to those families who have lost precious babies; acknowledges that stillbirth, miscarriage, and infant loss is a tragedy which governments across the UK must work to prevent; pays tribute to all the charities and organisations which support parents and families through the ordeal of losing a baby; and calls on the Government to ensure that greater support is offered to parents before, during and after the loss of their child.

493 US-UK-Australia military pact

Tabled: 18/10/21 Signatories: 22

Tabled: 18/10/21

Richard Burgon
Caroline Lucas
Liz Saville Roberts
Apsana Begum
lan Byrne
Kim Johnson

Tim Farron

That this House notes with concern the Prime Minister's announcement on 14 September 2021 of the AUKUS military pact; further notes that this is likely to escalate tension in the Far East and that military manoeuvres and sanctions in the Indo-Pacific region have already led to concerns about the threat of a new cold war with China; notes that this pact will enable Australia to develop, in collaboration with the UK and the US, a new capability of nuclear-powered submarines which will include the supply of weapons grade enriched uranium; notes that this is a dangerous move which contradicts the Prime Minister's statement that this will promote stability in the Indo-Pacific region; notes that supplying weapons grade uranium to a non-nuclear weapons state to power military submarines is in breach of the nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty which stipulates that exchange of nuclear technology must be for peaceful purposes; regrets that this is a breach of international law by this government; further regrets that this agreement is likely to increase rather than diminish the threat of war and nuclear proliferation in the region; and urges the Prime Minister to reconsider this agreement, to take appropriate steps to bring UK actions in line with the nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, and to promote stability in the Indo-Pacific region through diplomatic rather than military means.

495 Lakhvinder Ricky Reel

John McDonnell Mr Virendra Sharma Apsana Begum Jeremy Corbyn Bell Ribeiro-Addy Caroline Lucas

Barry Gardiner

That this House continues to expresses its heartfelt sympathy with the family of the late Lakhvinder Ricky Reel who died in suspicious circumstances in 1997 after being racially attacked in Kingston, Surrey; is appalled to learn that his family were spied upon by undercover police officers; acknowledges that over 100,000 people have signed a change.org petition urging a new police investigation; urges the Home Secretary to reopen the case to examine the circumstances surrounding Ricky's death on public interest grounds and to welcome the naming of a day in his honour as a mark of respect.

496 Alcohol strategy

Tabled: 18/10/21 Signatories: 18
Grahame Morris

Dan Carden
Tommy Sheppard
Christian Wakeford
Jim Shannon
Alison Thewliss

Ronnie Cowan

That this House notes that Public Health England data revealed there were 6,983 alcohol-specific deaths in 2020, an increase of 20 per cent from the previous year; further notes that National Records of Scotland statistics showed there were 1,190 alcohol-specific deaths registered in 2020, representing a 17 per cent increase; recalls that the Alcohol Charter was launched on 16 October 2018 by the Drugs, Alcohol and Justice Cross-Party Group and APPG on Alcohol Harm, providing a basis for an alcohol strategy; is concerned that three years have now passed without the publication of a strategy, during which time the situation has worsened significantly; and calls on the Government to issue an alcohol strategy without further delay.

Tabled: **18/10/21**

498 COP26 and the Glasgow Action Plan

Rebecca Long Bailey Jim Shannon Alison Thewliss Kim Johnson Dan Carden Jonathan Edwards

Caroline Lucas

That this House acknowledges that the COP26 conference is the important moment when countries that have signed the Paris Agreement on climate change must present new targets for cutting greenhouse gas emissions; notes that this is critical for keeping temperature rises below 1.5 degrees Celcius and preventing the world's poorest communities suffering even worse catastrophes as a result of the climate emergency; and urges the Government to commit to the Glasgow Action Plan proposed by more than 60 British charities including The Climate Coalition, Bond and CAFOD, in a letter to the Prime Minister of 27 February 2020, including the five steps of getting countries to set new and ambitious climate targets, further supporting communities affected by climate change, doing more to protect the natural world and biodiversity, ending support for fossil fuels helping people get access to renewable energy, and introducing the policies and investment to get the UK on track to net-zero as fast as possible, without the use of international offsets, and with the majority of works and actions completed before 2030 to ensure the substantial majority of the UK's emissions reductions are achieved by 2030.

Sewage pollution in National Parks and Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty

Tabled: 18/10/21 Signatories: 10

Tim Farron
Jim Shannon
Layla Moran
Jonathan Edwards
John McDonnell
Dan Carden

Paul Girvan

That this House notes the appalling levels of raw sewage contaminating the UK's inland waters; is particularly concerned that untreated sewage was pumped into Lake Windermere for 1,719 hours—or 71 days—in 2020; notes that approximately 19.8 million people visit the Lake District each year; urges the Government to categorise Windermere and the Rothay, Brathay, and Kent rivers as designated bathing sites; encourages the Government to introduce a registration scheme for septic tanks and to provide the new Office for Environmental Protection the power to regulate them; and asks the Government to confer power on the Environment Agency to ensure that water companies take all reasonable steps to avoid discharging untreated sewage into inland waters within National Parks and Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

510 Work of the roadside rescue and recovery industry

Tabled: 18/10/21 Signatories: 7

Sir Mike Penning Jim Shannon Tim Farron Paul Girvan Daisy Cooper John Spellar

Sammy Wilson

That this House recognises the vital work of the roadside rescue and recovery industry which ensures roads are kept safe and clear; notes that part of the industry's work involves carrying out recovery and storage under the direction of the Police or highways authorities; notes that fees charged for this type of work are controlled by Government regulations and are known as Statutory Fees and that these were last reviewed in 2008; further notes that an increasing proportion of these fees are being taken by the police and highways authorities, notes it is common for the recovery operator undertaking the recovery work to receive a fraction of the actual Statutory Fee resulting in a situation where operators receive less payment for a job than in 2008 despite Government guidance that these fees should not be a revenue generator for the police and highways authorities; recognises that the industry's ability to undertake work covered by Statutory Fees is at breaking point and that spiralling maintenance and other costs since 2008 combined with other issues such as the increasing popularity and costs of recovering Electric Vehicles are adding to the pressure; and urges Government to address these issues and ensure a fair system of Statutory Fees that defines the role and income of both authorities and operators, accounts for the costs and risks of recovering and storing electric vehicles and the costs of operating sophisticated SOCO compliant facilities required by the police.

512 Suppression of democratic opposition in Turkey

Tabled: 18/10/21 Signatories: 11

Lloyd Russell-Moyle Jim Shannon Navendu Mishra Kim Johnson Jonathan Edwards Chris Stephens

Caroline Lucas

That this House calls on Turkey to end its attacks on democracy and democratically elected politicians, trade unions, human rights advocates, journalists, academics, and lawyers; notes the intensifying suppression and criminalisation of democratic opposition in Turkey by the AKP Government under President Erdogan; further notes that opposition MPs, particularly HDP representatives, trade unionists, and advocates for democracy are being imprisoned through dismantling the rule of law, removal of parliamentary protections and active intervention in the judicial decisions, the attacks on women's rights and the violence used against women protestors; notes that former co-leader HDP Selahattin Demirtas and activist Osman Kavala remain in prison despite lack of evidence and successfully appealing the prosecution's allegations; and further notes that the significant dismantling of democratic processes, freedom of speech and fundamental human rights must cease immediately.

513 Delays in the administration of the State Pension

Tabled: 18/10/21 Signatories: 24

Patricia Gibson Jim Shannon Allan Dorans Alison Thewliss Marion Fellows Chris Law

Caroline Lucas Brendan O'Hara

That this House is deeply concerned about the delays being experienced by new pensioners in receiving State Pension payments to which they are entitled, with many still to receive their payments over a month after reaching State Pension age; notes that pensioner poverty has recently risen to a 15-year high of 18 per cent, meaning that around 2.1 million pensioners across the UK are now living in poverty; further notes that the State Pension is a lifeline for many and any delays in receiving payments have the potential to cause severe hardship; recognises that delays are particularly upsetting for women born in the 1950s who, after being forced to wait six years for their pension, finally reach State Pension age, only to find they face unacceptable delays due to poor service from the Department for Work and Pensions; and therefore calls on the Government to urgently investigate and address the ongoing delays in State Pension payments for new pensioners.

520 Automated external defibrillators and VAT

Tabled: 18/10/21 Signatories: 10

John Nicolson Jim Shannon Allan Dorans Alison Thewliss Marion Fellows Chris Law

Caroline Lucas

That this House believes all automated external defibrillators should be exempt from VAT; acknowledges that this was not previously possible under EU laws; recognises that many local groups do not qualify for current exemptions, which puts further pressure on fundraising efforts; and requests that the Government reconsider their policy on this issue.

525 VAT rate in the hospitality sector

Tabled: 18/10/21 Signatories: 8

Carla Lockhart Jim Shannon Alison Thewliss Paul Girvan John McDonnell Patricia Gibson

Caroline Lucas

That this House recognises the ongoing impact of the covid-19 pandemic on the hospitality industry; acknowledges that the VAT reduction to 5% was a lifeline for the sector and is disappointed that this rate cannot be maintained beyond 30 September 2021; appreciates that a 12.5% rate is of real benefit in supporting the industry; recognises the industry is also experiencing unparalleled rises in the cost of doing business with utility costs having risen by over a third, food inflation running well beyond the reported 4% level, and with additional transport costs driving up the overall cost of consumables; and therefore calls on the Government to extend the 12.5% rate of VAT beyond March 2022, to at least September 2022, to enable the sector to continue to recover from the impact of covid-19.

537 Local community champion Andrew Dunlop

Tabled: 19/10/21 Signatories: 7

Peter Grant Allan Dorans Jim Shannon Marion Fellows John McDonnell Patricia Gibson

Chris Law

That this House recognises the exceptional efforts of Andrew Dunlop, local man from Cardenden, in maintaining the area of Cardenden following the unprecedented flooding in August 2020 by clearing rivers of debris and rubbish; notes that he removed 85 tyres and 11 bikes from the River Ore following the flooding which has helped to significantly improve the state of the river and surrounding areas; further recognises his regular hard work both in the local area and further afield

and gives thanks on behalf of the communities he has helped to benefit as well as local wildlife and the environment; congratulates Andrew on his nomination for Kingdom FM's Local Hero Awards for the category of Unsung Hero award; thanks Andrew for being an inspirational figure in the local community and for bringing recognition to his work as well as the thousands of volunteers across Fife who are members of the Fife Street Champions group in litter picking and keeping our communities clean and tidy; and wishes Andrew all the best with his future endeavours.

538 Ilasco/Keela Outdoors Glenrothes contribute to fight against covid-19

Tabled: 19/10/21 Signatories: 5

Peter Grant Allan Dorans Jim Shannon Marion Fellows Chris Law

That this House gives thanks to Ardmel Group and Ilasco/Keela Outdoors, based in Glenrothes, for their efforts over the last year in supporting Scotland's NHS in the fight against covid-19 by producing PPE gowns for use by the NHS; highlights that in doing so they created around 50 jobs for local folk whose employment was impacted by the pandemic; thanks the staff for producing 15,000 gowns per week and setting up their manufacturing for this within an extremely short three week timeframe; notes the company's innovative way of working and their manufacturing machines that have made Ilasco/Keela a world leader in design engineering and manufacture of specialist machinery for the clothing, electronics and motorcar industries; recognises the hard work of the staff during this particularly difficult time; further highlights the efforts of the company in ensuring manufacturing continues to play a huge part in present day Glenrothes; and wishes them all the best for the continued future success of the business.

541 Diane Braid

Martin Docherty-Hughes Allan Dorans Jim Shannon Marion Fellows Patricia Gibson Chris Law Tabled: 19/10/21 Signatories: 6

That this House recognises the 28 years of dedicated service by Diane Braid to the learning community of Kilpatrick School, a specialist establishment providing education from birth to 18 years of age for 158 children and young people with additional support needs and Kilpatrick Early Years Service which offers sessions for babies and children from 0-3 years of age; thanks Diane for her hard work and commitment to the children and young people of Kilpatrick School who come from all over West Dunbartonshire; and wishes her a very happy retirement.

542 Vivid Roots Collective

Tabled: 19/10/21 Signatories: 6

Tabled: **19/10/21**

Drew Hendry Allan Dorans Jim Shannon Marion Fellows Patricia Gibson Chris Law

That this House recognises the important goal of the Vivid Roots Collective which aims to stem the flow of emerging artists from the Highlands and Islands; congratulates the Inverness College UHI alumni's theatre Collective for successfully raising £1,100 to support new artists and the creation of original works which tackle social and women's issues; appreciates the importance of keeping homegrown talent in the Highlands and Islands; and wishes creators Laura Walker, Keira Smith, Sophie Bender and Sophie Wink success in the future.

544 Green New Deal Bill

Caroline Lucas Clive Lewis Zarah Sultana Wera Hobhouse Claire Hanna Stephen Farry

Geraint Davies

That this House notes the lack of a sufficient and comprehensive Government plan to decarbonise the UK economy in response to the climate and nature emergencies; recognises public support for bolder and faster action; and calls on the Government to support the Green New Deal Bill, formally known as the Decarbonisation and Economic Strategy Bill, which will introduce legally binding targets in line with the UK's commitment to stay within 1.5 degrees of global heating, reverse inequality, protect and restore nature and the environment, implement new measures of progress that prioritise human and ecological wellbeing in line with the recommendations of the Treasurycommissioned Dasgupta Review, change the way Government manages the economy to enable unprecedented investment in the Green New Deal, end investment in fossil fuels and establish a comprehensive action plan to transform the UK's energy supply, transport system, farming, land management, homes, buildings, green spaces and the way of working, creating millions of good green jobs across the UK, involve communities, trade unions and workers in the development of the plan, ensuring a just transition by prioritising investment in communities excluded from full participation in the economy and those working in today's high-emissions sectors, enhance the democratic power and resources of devolved governments, local authorities and elected mayors, increase democratic ownership in key sectors including energy, water, transport and mail and advance global justice by ensuring finance and technology for the global South and by promoting the Green New Deal globally.

545 **DVLA waiting times**

Tabled: 19/10/21 Signatories: 18

Tabled: 19/10/21

Sarah Olney Layla Moran Sir Mike Penning Jim Shannon John McDonnell Kenny MacAskill

Caroline Lucas

That this House is dismayed by the growing backlog of licence applications at the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency; recognises that the ability to drive is vital to many people's capacity to work and pursue the life of their choice; understands that the pandemic has caused unprecedented disruptions to the work of the DVLA; notes that over 125,000 paper licence applications are waiting to be processed, while 1.4 million items of correspondence by post remain unopened; further notes the sharp increase in the size of the backlog since the beginning of the pandemic; acknowledges that licence and licence renewal applicants are currently facing processing delays of up to 10 weeks; highlights with concern the unique burden placed on those with medical conditions who require their medical forms to be physically processed, whose processing times are up to six months; calls upon the Government to mobilise the resources necessary to clear the backlog at the DVLA, and supports the return of reliable, efficient, and covid-safe services to all British drivers.

547 UK CAA Flight Crew Licences

Douglas Chapman Jim Shannon Allan Dorans Marion Fellows John McDonnell

Chris Law

That this House calls on the Government to negotiate a post Brexit reciprocal agreement between the UK and EU regarding the transfer of UK CAA Flight Crew Licences to EASA member states licences; further calls on the Chancellor of the Exchequer to put in place immediate financial support to help with the licence conversion costs to support the UK economy and prevent many more UK licensed pilots from losing their jobs, or being unable to secure highly-trained positions over their EU/EASA licensed counterparts; and requests the Chancellor considers other financial support for the Aviation Industry while it recovers beyond Brexit and covid-19 and strives to build resilience to cope with future changes to the industry.

548 Motherland Spice, Saltcoats

Patricia Gibson Allan Dorans Marion Fellows Jim Shannon Chris Law

Tabled: 20/10/21 Signatories: 5
Patricia Gibson

That this House congratulates Mr and Mrs Madhav and Radha Bhandari and family on the official opening of their beautifully refurbished Motherland Spice Indian-Nepalese restaurant in Bradshaw Street in Saltcoats; applauds the fact that this award winning restaurant is a proven local

favourite which has built up a loyal clientele in Saltcoats and across North Ayrshire since it was first established in 2012; appreciates that Madhav Bhandari's business success is inspirational given his humble beginnings in Nepal, the son of a Gurkha soldier injured in the line of duty, who has through his hard work, diligence and determination earned the custom and respect of his clientele in his adopted home in Saltcoats; and wishes Motherland Spice, the Bhandari family and the dedicated restaurant staff continued success in providing delicious food for the people of Saltcoats, the Three Towns and beyond for many years to come.

551 Categorising misogyny as a hate crime

Tabled: 20/10/21 Signatories: 25

Wera Hobhouse Christine Jardine Kim Johnson Claire Hanna Mohammad Yasin Layla Moran

Caroline Lucas Allan Dorans

That this House expresses deep concern about the prevalence of violence against women and girls in our society; notes that, according to the 2021 UN Women UK YouGov survey, 71 per cent of women have experienced some form of sexual harassment in a public space and that this figure rises to 86 per cent among women aged 18 to 24; further notes that, although 59,000 women reported being raped to the police last year, only 1,439 rapists were convicted; deeply regrets that, on average, a woman is killed by a man every three days, according to data from the Femicide Census; recognises that preventing violence against women and girls requires a culture change within the police, the criminal justice service and society as a whole; believes that recording misogyny as a hate crime would help identify trends in crimes motivated by gender, and support survivors to report incidents of rape and sexual assault; and calls on the Government to send a strong message that it is taking violence against women and girls seriously, by making misogyny a hate crime.

553 Violence in Bangladesh

Tabled: 20/10/21 Signatories: 15

Mr Virendra Sharma Mohammad Yasin Navendu Mishra Paula Barker Stephen Timms Bob Blackman

Allan Dorans Rushanara Ali John McDonnell

Christine Jardine Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck

That this House notes the concerning rise in attacks on Hindus and other religious minorities in Bangladesh during the festival of Durga puja; is concerned by the violence that has left at least seven dead of Muslim and Hindu faith; observes the deployment of paramilitary forces to 22 districts in Bangladesh; urges the Government of Bangladesh to act to ensure religious minorities can worship safely and in peace; and calls on the Government to support the safety of religious minorities and to work with regional allies and partners to support freedom of religion for all in South Asia and the world.

555 The Mochrie brothers of Kilbirnie

Tabled: 21/10/21 Signatories: 3

Patricia Gibson Allan Dorans Chris Law

That this House commemorates on 11 November 2021 the 103rd anniversary of the 1918 armistice, which ended the First World War; acknowledges the heavy sacrifice in that appalling conflict; recognises that every community across the UK and countless families suffered grievously; believes that few families endured as much as the Mochrie family of Kilbirnie, Ayrshire, which had five brothers serving in the British Army, three of whom, 19 year-old Private Robert Mochrie of the Royal Scots Fusiliers, 21-year-old Private Matthew Mochrie of the Cameronians, and 28 year-old Corporal James Mochrie of the Gordon Highlanders, were all tragically killed on the first day of the Battle of Loos on 25 September 1915, along with thousands of their compatriots; further notes that 36 year-old Private Andrew Mochrie, also of the Cameronians, was killed at the Battle of Arras on 9 June 1917; is aware that John Mochrie, of the Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Regiment, survived the conflict as did his sister, Euphemia, a nurse with Queen Mary's Army Auxiliary Corps, whose son, William McKim, was killed serving on HMS Hood in the Second World War; understands that many of us are the descendants or relatives of those who have bravely fought and died for their country and/.or those lucky enough to return home, often maimed and traumatised, to an uncertain future; and recognises that it is the country's solemn duty both to remember them and to commemorate their sacrifices.

557 Paul McNeill awarded for Outstanding Contribution to Education for Dyslexia

Tabled: 21/10/21 Signatories: 7

Amy Callaghan Marion Fellows Margaret Ferrier Carol Monaghan Allan Dorans Jim Shannon

Chris Law

That this House congratulates East Dunbartonshire resident, Paul McNeill, on winning the prestigious award of Outstanding Contribution to Education for Dyslexia at the Potential Unlock Awards 2021; understands that Mr McNeill, his wife, Julie McNeill, and author/illustrator Rossie Stone recently published the book Mission Dyslexia which aims to provide a fun, interactive way for families and children to develop their own strategies for learning; recognises that Mr McNeill draws on his own experiences growing up with dyslexia to help make a difference and serves as an inspiration to many; notes that Mission Dyslexia has been received as a high quality SEN resource by families and educational practitioners across the UK; thanks all those who have supported Mr and Mrs McNeill's efforts with this project; and looks forward to seeing what they will continue to achieve through their activism and future publications.

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Commemoration of John Bateman 558

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Amy Callaghan Marion Fellows Margaret Ferrier Carol Monaghan Allan Dorans Jim Shannon

Chris Law

That this House commemorates the work of engineer John Bateman who revolutionised the Greater Glasgow Area's water supply, ridding the city of typhoid and cholera in the 1850s; notes the campaign from East Dunbartonshire group Friends of Milngavie Reservoir and the Institution of Civil Engineers to have Mr Bateman commemorated; understands that a new plaque has been unveiled at Mugdock Reservoir in Milngavie to commemorate Mr Bateman; and thanks all those who continue to pay tribute to John Bateman and the significant contribution he made to the water industry and Greater Glasgow.

559 Scottish Space Strategy

Douglas Chapman Marion Fellows Carol Monaghan Allan Dorans Jim Shannon **Chris Law**

That this House welcomes the Scottish Space Strategy announcement made by the Scottish Government at Expo 2020 in Dubai to position Scotland as a global leader for commercial space developments and its intention to collaborate with enterprise agencies, industry group Space Scotland and the Scottish Space Academic Forum to create an ambitious space industry ecosystem in Scotland; and further welcomes support for space-related exports, to create the largest launch capability in Europe and the intention to develop a world-leading environmental strategy for Scotland's space industry, from reducing emissions to supporting the use of satellite data for environmental monitoring.

562 John Ystymllun

Liz Saville Roberts Paula Barker Jonathan Edwards **Margaret Ferrier Hywel Williams Ben Lake**

Jim Shannon

That this House remembers the life and legacy of John Ystumllyn, the first recorded black person in North Wales following his abduction as a child from western Africa in the 18th century; also remembers his marriage to Margaret Gruffydd as the first recorded mixed marriage in Wales; celebrates the launch of a dedicated rose in his honour by Harkness Roses and We Too Built Britain; notes that this is the first rose to be dedicated to an ethnic minority person in the UK; encourages

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gardeners everywhere to plant the John Ystumllyn rose as a symbol of friendship and love, kindness and community; and further celebrates this fresh approach in sharing John Ystumllyn's story to a global audience as part of Black History Month.

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566 Covid-19 plan B measures

Ms Diane Abbott Richard Burgon Bell Ribeiro-Addy Claudia Webbe Wera Hobhouse Apsana Begum

Kim Johnson

That this House notes that there is once more a surge in new covid-19 cases and that both hospitalisations and deaths are rising; further notes that the UK's data is currently far in excess of comparable countries in Western Europe; believes that a failure to respond to this situation is reckless and unsustainable; notes that the increase in cases presents severe challenges to the NHS even before the winter flu season has begun; notes that the Government has developed a Plan B to put in place some preventative measures but has taken no new action in response to the current upsurge; and calls on the Government to introduce Plan B immediately.

568 Remembrance Day Bank Holiday

Jamie Stone Paula Barker Mr Alistair Carmichael Layla Moran Jim Shannon Daisy Cooper

Sir Mike Penning Wendy Chamberlain Paul Girvan

That this House remembers the sacrifice and service of all those personnel who have served and are serving in the British armed forces; acknowledges the huge sacrifices made by all those individuals and in particular those who were injured or lost their lives during the course of their service; and calls on the Government to commemorate UK service personnel by making the day after Remembrance Sunday a public holiday.

569 Outsourced workers at City University, London

Tabled: 22/10/21 Signatories: 7

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John McDonnell lan Lavery Paula Barker Dan Carden Claudia Webbe Apsana Begum

Ms Diane Abbott

That this House believes that all workers in the UK's universities and colleges deserve the real Living Wage as a minimum rate and to be treated with respect and dignity at work including having access to occupational sick pay and a decent pension scheme; regrets that people employed in ancillary roles such as cleaning and catering and outsourced to private contractors face a struggle to defend their basic pay, terms and conditions at work especially when compared to directly employed colleagues in the university sector; notes that such workers are far more likely to be female and/ or to come from Black and Minority Ethnic and recent migrant backgrounds; further notes that support staff employed by the French-based multinational Sodexo and Julius Rutherfoord & Co at City University, London are currently eligible for limited statutory sick pay and an inferior pension scheme, while City University's administration has indicated it will not insource those workers or ensure parity of such basic employment rights; and gives its full support and solidarity to the campaign by City University branch of the UNISON trade union to secure parity of terms and conditions with university employees and the transfer of those workers to direct employment by the university at the earliest opportunity.

570 Spiking in nightclubs

Wera Hobhouse Layla Moran Jim Shannon Jonathan Edwards Paula Barker

That this House supports the women in Bath taking part in the Bath Night In boycotts on 27 October 2021, linked to the national campaign to raise awareness of the increase in spiking incidents in nightclubs across the UK; expresses concern at reports of spiking by injection; believes women who report such incidents must be listened to and supported; and urges the Government to convene a conference of senior officers from police forces across the country as a matter of urgency, to draw up a national action plan to tackle spiking.

572 Clean air action

Mr Barry Sheerman Jim Shannon Jonathan Edwards Dan Carden Paula Barker

That this House recognises the health impacts of poor road air quality; notes that long-term exposure to air pollution can cause chronic conditions, a reduced life expectancy and contributes to 40,000 early deaths in the UK each year; further notes that nine out of ten adults and children now

breathe polluted air; believes that urgent action is required to reduce the proportion of particulate matter in the air due to vehicle emissions; and calls upon the Government to invest greater resources into improving road air quality and to consider making reference to the inalienable right to breathe clean air in future legislative proposals.

573 Scottish Interfaith Week 2021 and COP26 vigil

Tabled: 25/10/21 Signatories: 9

Patrick Grady
Carol Monaghan
Kirsten Oswald
Ian Blackford
Chris Law
Jim Shannon

Owen Thompson Brendan O'Hara Dave Doogan

That this House welcomes the range of events and activities planned to mark Scottish Interfaith Week 2021, which takes place between 31 October and 7 November 2021; notes the decision to dedicate the week, under the theme of Together for Our Planet, during the COP26 Conference being held in Glasgow, as a significant moment for people of all faiths and none in Scotland to come together to take action to protect the planet; further notes that a key event in the week's activities will be the COP26 vigil in the city's George Square, organised by Interfaith Glasgow and Interfaith Scotland with the support of the Scottish Religious Leaders Forum; notes that the vigil aims to bring together people of all backgrounds in Glasgow, and via a livestream from around the world, in a powerful, symbolic act of unity and solidarity for the planet, and that the event will be attended by religious leaders and faith community members determined to demonstrate their common commitment to climate justice; and wishes the organisers and all who take part in the vigil and the week's activities every success.

574 Aviemore Ice Rink

Tabled: 25/10/21 Signatories: 3

Drew Hendry Chris Law Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates the Aviemore and Glenmore Community Trust (AGCT) on their considerable efforts to re-open the Aviemore ice rink after 20 years; recognises the dedication and hard work of the community who have raised funds and assisted with the build of the 20x12 metre real ice rink; and looks forward to seeing the Aviemore Ice Rink grow in success, preserving Aviemore's reputation as a first-class winter sports destination.

575 Inverness Taxis providing a safe place for women

Tabled: 25/10/21 Signatories: 3

Drew Hendry Chris Law Jim Shannon

That this House recognises the team at Inverness Taxis for their ongoing commitment to the community they serve, in doing so congratulates them on their recent initiative to provide a safe place for women to wait while making their way home, welcomes this fantastic initiative which will no doubt be welcomed by women and all of those who need a safe place to wait.

576 Inverness Creative Academy

Tabled: 25/10/21 Signatories: 3

Drew Hendry Chris Law Jim Shannon

That this House recognises the Inverness Creative Academy on their recent receipt of Digital Support Funding from Highlands and Islands Enterprise; notes that the grant will help advance the digital capabilities of the Inverness Creative Academy which is currently being developed by the charity Wasps; and in doing so recognises the importance of connectivity and creativity across Inverness and the Highlands.

577 Gordon Reid and Alfie Hewett

Tabled: 25/10/21 Signatories: 3

Alison Thewliss Chris Law Jim Shannon

That this House extends its congratulations to Great Britain's most successful ever tennis doubles partnership Gordon Reid and Alfie Hewett, from Alexandria and Cantley, for becoming the first ever wheelchair tennis pair to complete the calendar Grand Slam in men's doubles; acknowledges how Reid and Hewett's commitment, athleticism and teamwork will have inspired so many people across the UK to pick up a racket and play tennis; and wishes both players all the best for the future.

578 Over 100 days of Dr AlSingace's hunger strike in Bahrain

Tabled: 25/10/21 Signatories: 8

Paula Barker Jim Shannon Rebecca Long Bailey Charlotte Nichols Kim Johnson Mick Whitley

Margaret Ferrier Kenny MacAskill

That this House is deeply concerned by the ongoing hunger strike of 59-year-old human rights defender and academic Dr Abduljalil AlSingace, in Bahrain; raises alarm that his hunger strike began on 8 July 2021 and has exceeded 100 days; expresses concern that Dr AlSingace has been hospitalised since 18 July 2021 and has lost at least 20kg; notes that AlSingace is protesting Jau Prison authorities' ill-treatment and confiscation of four years' worth of his apolitical research; decries Dr AlSingace's life sentence for his peaceful leading role in Bahrain's 2011 pro-democracy uprising; unreservedly condemns Dr AlSingace's torture in 2011 by Bahraini officials, as documented by the Bahrain Independent Commission of Inquiry; further condemns that Dr AlSingace has spent over a decade unjustly imprisoned, throughout which mistreatment and medical negligence against him has been reported by UN experts; further recalls the Government's 2012 expression of deep dismay at Dr AlSingace's conviction; echoes calls from UN experts, the EU Parliament, 101 academics and 77 cross-party UK parliamentarians, trade unions, lawyers and rights groups for Dr AlSingace's release; calls upon the Government to urgently secure the return of Dr AlSingace's research, impose Magnitsky Act Sanctions on those responsible for his unlawful imprisonment; and to call for his immediate and unconditional release; and further calls upon the Government to urge for the release of all political prisoners in Bahrain, including Hassan Mushaima, Sheikh Ali Salman, Abdulhadi Alkhawaja and Ali Alhajee.

579 Northern Ireland Book Week

Tabled: 25/10/21 Signatories: 3

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Jim Shannon Sammy Wilson Margaret Ferrier

That this House notes the passing of Northern Ireland Book Week; further notes the early years benefit of children being read to daily to their development; encourages parents to make the best of the free resources available in local libraries; highlights the benefit to mental health from taking time to read; and further encourages adults and children alike to find a new favourite book and relax and unwind whilst discovering new worlds or new ideas.

580 Anniversary of the Shankill bombing

Jim Shannon Sammy Wilson Sir Mike Penning Stephen Farry

That this House notes the anniversary of the horrific Shankill Bombing which took place on 23 October 1993; remembers the atrocity which saw the murder of nine innocent people, including two children, and over 50 people injured on that horrific day by the disgraceful pre-meditated actions of IRA terrorists; highlights the evil intention of this attack which took place on the busiest day of the week in a fishmongers surrounded by women and children; and offers continued sympathy to those who were injured and left mentally and physically scarred and to those who still mourn the loss of their loved ones to this day.

35th anniversary of Charlie Reid Travel, Kirkcaldy

Tabled: 25/10/21 Signatories: 3

Neale Hanvey Jim Shannon Margaret Ferrier

That this House pays tribute to Charlie Reid Travel based in Kirkcaldy and formed in 1985 providing holiday experiences to the community and beyond; recognises that they have established a reputation for offering a wide range of trips, tailoring holiday packages to suit individual needs; notes that the founders Charlie and Norma Reid who ran the business until their retirement in 2002 were successful in establishing an independent, local, family run business which was taken over by sons Gordon and Ian and daughter Julie and acknowledges the business continues to be viable despite the challenges of the covid-19 pandemic with the support of their loyal customers, friends and dedicated staff; celebrates their 35th anniversary, which took place in December 2020; and wishes them many years of success in the future.

582 Persecution of religious minorities in Bangladesh

Tabled: 25/10/21 Signatories: 2

Bob Blackman Jim Shannon

That this House condemns the deeply concerning rise in attacks on Hindus in Bangladesh during the festival of Durga puja; is concerned by the violence that has seen at least seven Hindus killed by religious fundamentalists; urges the Government of Bangladesh to act to ensure religious minorities can live and worship safely and in peace; further condemns the desecration of Hindu temples and the torching of hundreds of houses and businesses of the Hindu minority; and urges the Government to encourage the Government of Bangladesh to put perpetrators of violence against religious minorities in that region on trial as soon as possible.

Proscribing of Palestinian human rights organisations

Tabled: 25/10/21 Signatories: 17

Tommy Sheppard
Apsana Begum
Alan Brown
Paul Blomfield
Julie Elliott
Dr Philippa Whitford

Liam Byrne Rushanara Ali Mr Alistair Carmichael
Jonathan Edwards Grahame Morris Margaret Ferrier
Paula Barker Kate Hollern Tony Lloyd
Kenny MacAskill Clive Lewis

That this House condemns the declaration of 22 October 2021 made by Israeli Minister of Defence, Benny Gantz, which designated six Palestinian civil society groups as terrorist organisations; notes that the Israeli authorities have not provided any evidence to substantiate their claims about the organisations; further notes that the targeted groups Al-Haq, Addameer, Bisan Center, Defence for Children International Palestine, the Union of Agricultural Work Committees, and the Union of Palestinian Women's Committees are organisations deeply committed to protecting the human rights of Palestinian communities, highlighting Israel's illegal policies and also those of the Palestinian Authority and Hamas; further notes the statement of 22 Israeli civil society groups based in Israel in support of the six NGOs; views this as a further direct assault on Palestinian civil society in an effort to isolate and suffocate Palestinian human rights defenders; recognises the significant impact this assault has on some of the most prominent Palestinian civil society organisations including on the local and international public's right to information about the reality of human rights violations in Israel and the occupied Palestinian territories; calls on the Government to demand that the Israeli Government reveal any evidence against those organisations; and further calls on the Government to reaffirm its support for Palestinian and Israeli civil society and human rights organisations as a key foundation in building a just peace between Israelis and Palestinians.