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# Early Day Motions tabled on Thursday 9 December 2021

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#### **New EDMs**

761 Formal Government recognition of the Daesh atrocities against Yazidis, Christians and other persecuted minorities as genocide

Tabled: 9/12/21 Signatories: 1

#### **Brendan O'Hara**

That in April 2016 this House recognised the Daesh atrocities against religious minorities, Yazidis, Christians, and other religious minorities in Iraq and Syria as genocide under Article II of the UN Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide; notes the UK Government's long standing policy that genocide determination is a matter of competent courts, including domestic criminal courts; and notes the German criminal court's verdict of 30th November 2021 finding a Daesh fighter guilty of genocide and crimes against humanity; and calls on the Government to formally recognise the Daesh atrocities against Yazidis, Christians and other religious minorities as genocide and take further steps to ensure justice, including by leading efforts to establish an international mechanism to prosecute the perpetrators.

#### 50th anniversary of the murder of Kenneth Smyth and Daniel McCormick

Tabled: 9/12/21 Signatories: 5

Jim Shannon Sammy Wilson Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson Gavin Robinson Ian Paisley

That this House notes the 50th anniversary of the murder of UDR soldiers Kenneth Smyth and Daniel McCormick who were killed on the 10th of December 1971; notes that Kenneth was off duty and that Daniel had left the UDR and they were slaughtered as they headed to work together; further notes that no one has ever been brought to justice for this evil terrorist murder that saw these men brutally slain for no other reason than serving Queen and Country in the UDR and

Signatories: 1

that the family still mourn their loss; highlights that whilst other 50 year old crimes are still being investigated at great cost to the public purse, the murder of Kenneth and Daniel remains unsolved; and reaffirms the commitment of this House to support justice for all victims of the Troubles, and not only for those who have politically motivated support.

#### 763 Verdict of the Uyghur Tribunal

### Tabled: 9/12/21 Layla Moran

That this House notes with grave concern the findings of the Uyghur Tribunal of 9 December 2021 which detailed the depth and severity of abuses taking places against Uyghurs in Xinjaing by the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) including rape, forced re-education, forced labour, mass surveillance, forced sterilisation, cultural and religious destruction; further notes the Tribunal's verdict that there is proof beyond reasonable doubt that the People's Republic of China are committing crimes of torture, crimes against humanity and the crime of genocide as defined under international law; calls on the UK Government to accept Parliament's declaration of the atrocities in Xinjiang as a genocide; and urges the UK Government to step up sanctions against CCP officials

#### 764 Import ban on forced labour products

involved in perpetrating these abuses.

Tabled: 9/12/21 Signatories: 1

#### **Alyn Smith**

That this House commends the work of Non-Governmental Organisations and civil activists to raise awareness of the presence of forced labour in the manufacturing of products around the world; recognises that existing UK regulations are insufficient for stopping the import of products which have been produced through forced labour; notes that the United States has implemented an import ban on some products from countries where there is evidence of forced labour; further notes that the European Commission has stated its intentions to implement a similar ban; and calls on the Government to implement an import ban on specific products where there is reasonable suspicion of forced labour and apply it to regions where forced labour is systematically used by the State, thereby preventing companies from enforcing their due diligence obligations.

#### 765 Local measurement of air quality

Tabled: 9/12/21 Signatories: 1

#### **Mr Barry Sheerman**

That this House notes with concern the issue of air pollution and its ensuing effects on health and wellbeing; recognises the 2018 guidance on air pollution by Public Health England that cites poor air quality as the largest environmental risk to public health in the UK; acknowledges that every human being has an inalienable right to breathe clean and safe air; urges the Government to consider making reference to this in any future legislative proposal; further recognises that policy to improve air quality requires evidence and records of public and private entities that contribute to air pollution in local authorities; further urges the Government to make provision for local authorities to take an air pollution audit of public and private entities in their area; and calls on the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs to report annually to Parliament on these audit reports.

#### **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.

#### 696 Red Wednesday campaign

Tabled: 25/11/21 Signatories: 13

Dr Lisa Cameron Marion Fellows Allan Dorans Jim Shannon Dave Doogan Chris Stephens

Rosie Cooper Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck

That this House marks Red Wednesday, an annual day when persecution against Christians and other religious minorities is highlighted; supports the launch of Hear Her Cries, a report by Catholic charity Aid to the Church in Need that investigates the abduction, rape, forced conversion and forced marriage of Christian women and girls; implores the Government and the UN to take more effective steps to tackle this issue in line with the petition organised by ACN; highlights to the Home Office the case of Maira Shahbaz, a Pakistan Christian who was raped and forcibly converted aged 14; expresses sympathy for all those victims of religiously-motivated sexual violence; and supports a future whereby no-one is persecuted because of their religious beliefs.

#### 697 Football Index collapse

Tabled: 25/11/21 Signatories: 31

Sir George Howarth Sir Mike Penning Wera Hobhouse Dr Rupa Huq Clive Lewis Kim Johnson

Sarah Olney

That this House remains deeply concerned about the collapse of the betting firm Football Index in March 2021, following the suspension of the company's licence by the Gambling Commission and its entry into administration; notes with concern that customers collectively have over £90 million in open stakes trapped in the platform, with average losses of around £3,000 per customer; further notes that shortly after the site's management announced a cut in dividends of approximately 80 per cent, it suspended trading a few days afterwards, leading to a virtual market crash which caused significant losses for customers; notes with further concern that warnings about the firm operating like a pyramid scheme went unheeded; recognises the recommendations made by Michael Sheehan QC as part of his independent review; calls on the Government to implement his recommendations, specifically those that identified areas for improvement for the Gambling Commission and Financial Conduct Authority, including how they worked together, without delay, to ensure that a similar scandal does not happen again and; and further calls on the Government to do all that it can to ensure that those owed money receive full reimbursement.

Signatories: 36

#### 704 Scottish Comic Book Day 27 November 2021

Tabled: 29/11/21 Signatories: 13

Tabled: **30/11/21** 

Richard Thomson
Jim Shannon
Douglas Chapman
Dave Doogan
Chris Stephens
Allan Dorans

Stewart Malcolm McDonald

This House notes that Scottish Comic Book Day was marked on 27 November 2021 celebrating comics, comic artwork and related media with a link to Scotland; understands that people from Scotland continue to be involved in the comic and graphic novel industry, including the film and televisual adaptions of those genres that are made by independent film producers and studios, such as Marvel Studios, DC Studios, Disney and Netflix; believes that the master of design course on Comics and Graphic novels that is offered by the University of Dundee is the only one of its type in the world; recognises this year is the 70th anniversary of the character, Dennis the Menace, in The Beano, which is the UK's longest running comic; acknowledges the importance of the creative sector to Scotland's economy and the contribution of comics and graphic novels towards that; and congratulates #scottishcomicbookday and its organisers on a successful inaugural event.

#### 716 Universal Credit reduction

Grahame Morris Bell Ribeiro-Addy Beth Winter Ian Byrne Navendu Mishra Kate Osborne

Stewart Malcolm McDonald Clive Lewis

That this House deplores the Government's punitive decision to remove the £20 per week Universal Credit uplift, which the Joseph Rowntree Foundation estimates leaves around 5.5 million families worse off by £1,040 per year and will push a further half a million people over the poverty line; deeply regrets that people have been plunged into greater financial jeopardy and, with energy prices surging, now face the Dickensian prospect of going either cold or hungry this Winter; shares the concern of the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health that the cut to Universal Credit will increase the number of children who will be disadvantaged in terms of physical and mental health, safety, and wellbeing, and will deepen structural social and health inequalities; and therefore supports Unite Community's call for the Government to reverse its cruel and callous policy by reinstating the uplift and extending it to cover those on legacy benefits in order to relieve financial anxiety, food poverty and energy insecurity.

#### 728 Fan-Led Review of Football Governance

Tabled: 2/12/21 Signatories: 17

Ian Mearns
Hywel Williams
Ben Lake
John McDonnell
Liz Saville Roberts
Jonathan Edwards

Caroline Lucas

That his House welcomes the publication of the report following the Fan Led Review of Football Governance, chaired by the hon. Member for Chatham and Aylesford, Tracey Crouch MP; notes that the recommendations within the report are supported in full by the All Party Parliamentary Group for Football, the All Party Parliamentary Group for Football Supporters and the All Party Parliamentary Group on Women's Football; and calls on the Government to implement in full the recommendations of that report at the earliest opportunity to safeguard the future of the football pyramid in England.

#### 729 Resale of in-demand goods purchased by automated bots

Tabled: 2/12/21 Signatories: 13

Douglas Chapman Hywel Williams Ben Lake Liz Saville Roberts Allan Dorans Alison Thewliss

**Neale Hanvey** 

That this House believes that the online provision of items should be available to all customers and that items should not be bought in bulk by the use of automated bots which often circumvent maximum purchase quantities imposed by the retailer, and which subsequently distorts the marketplace by creating a scarcity thus enabling the bulk purchaser to then resell the items at grossly inflated prices above the Manufacturer's Recommended Retail Price; calls on the Government to bring forward legislative proposals similar to those introduced for the secondary selling of tickets, thereby prohibiting the resale of items at prices greatly above Manufacturer's Recommended Retail Price when purchased using automated bots; and further calls on the Government to bring forward legislative proposals making the resale of goods purchased using an automated bot an illegal activity, thereby denying unscrupulous vendors the chance to make themselves vast profits at the expense of genuine end-use consumers, while also deterring fraudulent cybercriminal activity.

#### 730 Peter O'Keefe Special Recognition Grassroots Award 2021

Tabled: 2/12/21 Signatories: 8

Amy Callaghan Allan Dorans Marion Fellows Chris Law Chris Stephens Jim Shannon

**Neale Hanvey** 

That this House congratulates Peter O'Keefe on receiving the McDonald's Special Recognition Award at the Grassroots Awards 2021; understands Mr O'Keefe has operated restaurants across Glasgow for over 25 years; notes Mr O'Keefe has used his platform throughout his career to support local clubs such as Milngavie FC, host a number of community festivals, and deliver thousands of new strips and equipment to clubs who need it most; further notes Mr O'Keefe's support for charities and his fundraising efforts over the years by running 13 marathons, completing multiple kilt walks, and organising a number of other fundraising events to raise thousands for charity; thanks Mr O'Keefe for all his efforts to give back to the community over the years and for using his platform to support those in need; and congratulates Mr O'Keefe once more on receiving this well deserved recognition award.

#### 731 Crohn's and Colitis Awareness Week

Tabled: 2/12/21 Signatories: 19

Amy Callaghan Andrew Gwynne Hywel Williams Ben Lake John McDonnell Liz Saville Roberts

Stewart Malcolm McDonald

That this House recognises Crohn's and Colitis Awareness Week running from 1 to 7 December; understands Crohn's & Colitis UK aim to raise awareness and reduce the stigma around these very serious and incurable conditions; notes that each day of Crohn's Awareness Week a platform will be available for anyone living with Crohn's and Colitis or supporting a loved one who does to share their story; understands the covid-19 pandemic has had a significant impact on research and treatment of the condition; encourages greater access to inflammatory bowel disease services to help treat the condition across the UK; wishes all those with Crohn's and Colitis taking part in the awareness week the very best; and thanks Crohn's and Colitis UK for their work to support people living with inflammatory bowel diseases.

#### John-Paul Mackie, Pharmacist of the Year 2021 Award (No. 2)

Tabled: 2/12/21 Signatories: 11

Chris Stephens Marion Fellows Jim Shannon Patrick Grady Kirsten Oswald Gavin Newlands

**Neale Hanvey** 

That this House congratulates John-Paul Mackie on winning the title Pharmacist of the Year 2021, at the Independent Pharmacy Awards reception in the House of Commons; notes that this award, run in association with the Independent Community Pharmacy magazine, shines a light on the brilliant work of John-Paul Mackie as a pharmacist in the Cardonald community of Glasgow and his teams across the Glasgow area; notes John-Paul Mackie was voted Independent Pharmacist of the year for his revolutionary use of technology and automation, where he combined the use of a dispensing robot, with a pill pack robot and a 24/7 prescription collection point to allow patients to collect their medicine 24 hours a day from the pharmacy store front; further notes this encouraged physical distancing and supporting key and shift workers during the pandemic and importantly the move towards automation ensured his pharmacy stayed open for every scheduled hour of the pandemic and supported the local community pharmacy network when other pharmacies had to close or restrict their services as their teams isolated with covid; recognises that automation also greatly improved the patient experience, by freeing up his teams time to spend with patients, providing additional NHS services and delivering quality patient care; and wishes Mr Mackie and all staff associated with Mackie Pharmacy continued success going forward.

#### 733 Northlink Ferries and Islander food discount

Tabled: 3/12/21 Signatories: 5

Mr Alistair Carmichael Layla Moran Chris Stephens Jim Shannon Neale Hanvey

That this House notes with concern Northlink Ferries' decision to cut islander discounts on food and drink on its ferries to and from the Northern Isles; recognises that ferry services are a lifeline transport link for islanders and are generally the only affordable travel option for those who use them, with journeys lasting several hours; understands that this decision was taken without notice or consultation with local people; notes that the Islands Act passed by the Scottish Parliament is intended to ensure that policy changes are island proofed to avoid such outcomes; and calls upon Northlink Ferries to reverse its decision and consult with isles representatives and local people to resolve their grievances about this change.

#### 734 Barnett Consequentials from the Culture Recovery Fund

Tabled: 3/12/21 Signatories: 10

Patrick Grady Allan Dorans Alison Thewliss Marion Fellows Gavin Newlands Chris Law

Stewart Malcolm McDonald

That this House notes with concern reports that HM Treasury has only delivered £9 million of an expected £40 million to the Scottish Government in consequential funding arising from the £300 million increase in the Culture Recovery Fund announced in the March 2021 Budget; notes that while First Minister Nicola Sturgeon announced on 11 May 2021 that the expected £40 million would be made available for culture organisations in Scotland, six months later Scottish Ministers have been unable to fulfil that commitment in full due to HM Treasury not delivering the remaining consequentials in a timely manner; shares the concerns expressed by the Scottish Commercial Music Industry Taskforce that the result of these funds being withheld by the Government is that Scottish artists and culture organisations are at significant disadvantage compared to their counterparts elsewhere in the UK, and that while Arts Council England has been able to continue making support available to organisations through to January 2022, such support in Scotland has not been able to continue beyond 30 September 2021, leading to fears that the sector has been left in a severely weakened position with no access to support needed to restart and recover as the economy emerges from pandemic-related restrictions; and calls on the Treasury to explain why there has been such a significant delay, and to take action to resolve this issue as a matter of urgency in order that artists and culture organisations in Scotland can benefit from the expected and intended support.

#### 735 Glen Cinema Disaster Memorial

Tabled: 3/12/21 Signatories: 13

Gavin Newlands Mhairi Black Allan Dorans Marion Fellows Alison Thewliss Chris Law

Stewart Malcolm McDonald Neale Hanvey

That this House commends the work of Paisley Rotary, Future Paisley and the Paisley community in providing a fitting permanent memorial to honour the 71 children who lost their lives in the Glen Cinema Disaster on the 31st of December 1929; notes that the children died after a smoking canister reel caused a panic which sadly resulted in a crush as the exit doors had been locked; acknowledges that changes to Health and Safety legislation were introduced following the tragedy including the introduction of push bars on fire exits; further notes that the memorial will offer future generations the opportunity to remember those who were lost and also those survived such as Emily Brown and Robert Pope who attended the unveiling ceremony; welcomes that the annual remembrance event which takes place every Hogmanay will now have a unique and dedicated focal point.

#### 736 Knightswood Community Centre 50th (+1) Anniversary

Tabled: 3/12/21 Signatories: 9

Carol Monaghan Allan Dorans Marion Fellows Chris Law Chris Stephens Jim Shannon

Neale Hanvey

That this House recognises the important milestone for Knightswood Community Centre as it celebrates its 50th (+1) anniversary; notes that Knightswood Community Centre is a valued asset that has been at the heart of the local community for the last fifty one years, providing a wide range of services, including dance classes, arts and crafts classes, language learning, sporting and fitness activities, health advice and meeting places for local organisations; further notes that Knightswood Community Centre is one of the largest and busiest community facilities in Glasgow; recognises the commitment of the centre staff and centre management to the local community; notes that the 50th anniversary celebrations were unable to take place last year due to the COVID-19 pandemic; congratulates everyone involved in the celebrations on 4th December 2021; and looks forward to the continuing success of the centre throughout the next 50 (+1) years.

#### 737 Recognising the service of House of Commons staff member Will Conway

Tabled: 6/12/21 Signatories: 19

Charlotte Nichols
Paula Barker
Jim Shannon
Mr Virendra Sharma
Chris Stephens
Mark Tami

Afzal Khan Neale Hanvey Caroline Lucas

That this House wholeheartedly thanks Will Conway for his 28 years of service as a member of House of Commons staff; offers gratitude for his over two decades of service as the Branch Secretary of the GMB Union representing House of Commons staff; thanks him for his support and assistance in organising the GMB Members' and Peers' Staff Branch that was formally recognised by the Parliamentary Labour Party in 2018; thanks him for the numerous trade union representatives he has trained and supported; notes his work in roles across the estate and parliamentary community, particularly in Bellamy's and Strangers' Bar; and wishes him a happy and relaxing retirement.

#### 738 Linlithgow Black Bitch

Tabled: 6/12/21 Signatories: 12

Martyn Day John McNally Marion Fellows Carol Monaghan Dave Doogan Douglas Chapman

**Neale Hanvey** 

That this House supports the rich traditions, local customs and heritage found throughout these islands and beyond, such as the Linlithgow Black Bitch; notes that in Linlithgow the local custom of describing locals as Black Bitches is based on the heroic greyhound who fed her master when he was incarcerated on an island in the middle of a loch with no food and water, before the dog was subsequently given the same punishment; further notes that the dog's loyalty, determination and grit was respected in Linlithgow by naming Linlithgow people Black Bitches as a mark of honour; acknowledges that the Black Bitch has been depicted on Linlithgow's ancient burgh seal as far back as 1296 and in the Royal Seal that marked the town's status as a Royal Burgh; recognises that Black Bitch imagery and artwork is featured throughout the town, including on schools' badges, local magazines, buildings, and a recent statue that stands in the High Street alongside a plaque that explains its history; further notes that Linlithgow's oldest public house is named the Black Bitch Tavern, which is recognised far and wide as a well-run and friendly hostelry; and calls on the brewing conglomerate Greene King to abandon plans to change the name of the tavern in a misguided attempt at virtue signalling, and instead recognise the nation's history and culture.

### 740 Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office and labour law reforms in Ukraine

Tabled: 6/12/21 Signatories: 5

John McDonnell Kenny MacAskill Chris Stephens Jim Shannon Caroline Lucas

That this House notes leaked documents published by the European Public Service Unions reportedly showing that the Government, via the British Embassy Kyiv and UKaid, is funding communications consultants Abt Associated to assist efforts to negatively reform the employment laws in Ukraine; further notes that the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office is also funding a labour regulation project in Ukraine to support such changes; and expresses concern that the changes set out in draft Ukrainian laws 5388 and 537 will remove 80 per cent of Ukrainian employees from existing protections and undermine trade union rights, and stand condemned as an infringement of international labour standards by Ukrainian trade unions and undermines efforts of the International Labour Organisation in Ukraine.

#### 741 Scottish Women's Premier League Cup Final 2021

Tabled: 6/12/21 Signatories: 14

Patrick Grady Amy Callaghan Gavin Newlands Chris Stephens Steven Bonnar Kirsten Oswald

Neale Hanvey

That this House congratulates Celtic Football Club's Women's Team on their success in the 2021 Scottish Women's Premier League Cup Final against Glasgow City, played at Firhill Stadium in Glasgow on Sunday 5 December 2021; notes that this is the first silverware for the team since 2010, and the first since that year not be won by either Glasgow City or Hibernian; believes that the record attendance of 3,645 indicates a growing interest in the women's game; further notes that the match took place 100 years to the day on which the Football Association in England announced an effective ban on women's football which had a chilling effect on the game across the UK, and remained in place for 50 years; notes that various events and exhibitions have been planned to mark this anniversary, and looks forward to interest in the game continuing to grow, and the future success of national and local teams across the country.

#### 742 Consequentials for Scotland and the Culture Recovery Fund

Tabled: 6/12/21 Signatories: 8

Patricia Gibson John Nicolson Chris Stephens Allan Dorans Jim Shannon Patrick Grady

**Neale Hanvey** 

That this House welcomes the Government's £300 million uplift to the Culture Recovery Fund, set up to tackle the crisis facing the culture sector as a result of the covid-19 pandemic; recognises that the Fund was designed to assist a sector devastated by the essential public health measures, and further excluded from Government covid-19 support schemes such as the furlough scheme, due to the freelance nature of many of those working within it; acknowledges that devolved Administrations expected to receive a consequential share of this fund to ensure support for the sector's recovery across the UK; is concerned by recent reports that only a fraction of the funding promised to the devolved Administrations has been distributed, with only £9 million of an anticipated £40 million boost being delivered to the Scottish Government to support its efforts to fund the recovery of the sector in Scotland; notes that, despite this, the Scottish Government has made available £25 million to support recovery in the culture sector in Scotland; and urges the Government to deliver consequential funding to the devolved Administrations, in full, as a matter of urgency.

#### 743 Death of Priyantha Diyawadanage

Tabled: 6/12/21 Signatories: 5

Jim Shannon Carla Lockhart Gavin Robinson Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson Neale Hanvey

That this House deplores the brutal murder of Priyantha Diyawadanage, a Sri Lankan national, who was tortured to death and whose body was then burnt on 3 December 2021 in Sialkot, Pakistan; urges the Pakistan authorities to launch a full investigation into the death; believes the antiquated presence of blasphemy laws fuels discrimination on the grounds of religion or belief; urges the Government to encourage other Government's to repeal blasphemy laws and condemn civilian violence inspired by accusations of blasphemy; and calls on the Government to raise this horrific case with Pakistan's highest authorities.

#### 745 Lavender Drive Christmas lights

Tabled: 6/12/21 Signatories: 8

Kirsten Oswald Jim Shannon John Nicolson Chris Stephens Allan Dorans Patrick Grady

**Neale Hanvey** 

That this House commends the big hearts and thoughtfulness of the residents of Lavender Drive, East Renfrewshire, dubbed Scotland's most festive street after residents switched on a street-long Christmas display that has transformed the street into a winter wonderland to raise money for cancer research and support; notes that the idea for the festive initiative came during the 2020 lockdown when local resident, father of two Fred Banning, was diagnosed with terminal bowel cancer; recalls that Mr Banning's plea to the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation for those living with a terminal diagnosis and their immediate family members to be a high priority for the administration of the covid-19 vaccine was highlighted in EDM 1260; further notes that by asking for donations from those who came to see the spectacular light show last Christmas, the street's residents raised more than £5500 for the Beatson Cancer Charity, and backs the residents in their desire to collect even more money this Christmas for Cancer Research UK.

#### 746 Food insecurity

Tabled: 6/12/21 Signatories: 37

lan Byrne John McDonnell Beth Winter Bell Ribeiro-Addy Barry Gardiner Dan Carden

Margaret Ferrier Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck Luke Pollard Rosie Cooper Clive Lewis Caroline Lucas

That this House recognises the horrific levels of food insecurity in the UK being experienced by approximately 11 million people; acknowledges the profound and devastating consequences

of food insecurity on the health, wellbeing and livelihoods of people in our communities; notes with concern that the need for emergency food parcels remains well above pre-pandemic levels; further recognises that, as per Trussell Trust figures, food parcels given to children have increased at double the rate for adults compared to pre-pandemic levels; agrees that the Government has a duty to ensure nobody in our communities goes hungry; asserts that the Government's duty should be reflected in legislation and that the right to food should be enshrined in UK law; recognises the many councils across the country that have declared themselves right to food cities and towns; recognises that the Trade Union Congress 2021 passed a motion calling for the right to food to be enshrined in law; recognises that the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee has recommended the Government urgently consult on a legal right to food; calls on the Government to include the right to food in its White Paper in response to the National Food Strategy recommendations; and notes that the White Paper is due in early 2022.

#### 747 Government funding plans for Transport for London

Tabled: 6/12/21 Signatories: 14

Dawn Butler Marsha De Cordova Dr Rupa Huq Bell Ribeiro-Addy John Cryer Barry Gardiner

Caroline Lucas

That this House is concerned with the current Government funding plans for Transport for London; believes that a short term deal or reduction in funding could threaten London's recovery and the potential long term effects could be devastating; recognises the vital role that Transport for London has to not just the economic prosperity of London and surrounding regions; calls on the Government to ensure that safe, reliable, inclusive, affordable and frequent bus, train and Tube services can increase as London recovers; further calls on the Government to recognise the important role that Transport for London plays in achieving net zero and clean air targets and in funding programmes such as cycle proficiency across the capital; and calls on the Government to secure long term funding and maintain Transport for London as an integrated transport authority with independence to make operational decisions and renewals investment.

#### 748 Sustainable Communities

Mr Barry Sheerman Jim Shannon Chris Law Wera Hobhouse Ben Lake Tabled: 7/12/21 Signatories: 5

That this House notes the importance of sustainability in community growth and development; further notes the aid of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals in providing concrete measurements and targets for efforts aimed at improving sustainability at a local level; recognises the positive impact that grassroots sustainability initiatives, like Sustainable Huddersfield, have on their local communities; calls on the Government to champion similar local sustainability initiatives in 500 towns, cities and communities across the country as a mechanism of implementing the COP26 Glasgow Agreement at a grassroots level; and further notes the need for such initiatives to bring about positive change in the broader areas of environmental, economic and social sustainability.

#### 749 Susan Graham elected President of Print Scotland

Tabled: 8/12/21 Signatories: 3

Owen Thompson Allan Dorans Neale Hanvey

That this House congratulates Susan Graham on her election as President of Print Scotland; notes that Susan is the managing director of FLB Group based in Dalkeith, Midlothian, and is Print Scotland's first female President; further notes that Print Scotland is the trade association and voice of Scotland's graphic communication industry and is now in its 111th year; recognises Print Scotland's work to provide training for Modern Apprentices through the Scottish Training Scheme, which provides a grant from the Scottish Government to cover the cost of the training; further recognises its provision of a range of Scottish Vocational Qualifications as well as Modern Apprenticeship certification; further congratulates Richard McCombe, managing director of Coatbridge-headquartered Matic Media, on being elected Vice President; and wishes Susan all the very best in her two year term as President, as well as everyone else involved in Print Scotland.

#### 750 National Lottery funding for Dirleton Good Neighbours

Tabled: 8/12/21 Signatories: 2

Kenny MacAskill Neale Hanvey

That this House congratulates East Lothian community group, Dirleton Good Neighbours, on receiving £7,613 from National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands that this funding will go towards gazebos, tables and chairs for Dirleton Good Neighbours' outdoor markets which will take place six times a year; commends Dirleton Good Neighbours for their contribution to their community by helping to keep residents active, healthy and connected with lunch hubs, exercise classes, and more; and wishes the Dirleton Good Neighbours project the best of luck with future events.

#### 751 National Lottery community funding for Dunbar Traditional Music Festival

Tabled: 8/12/21 Signatories: 2

Kenny MacAskill Neale Hanvey

That this House congratulates East Lothian group Dunbar Traditional Music Festival on receiving £9,500 from National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands that this funding will go towards planning and carrying out and extended programme of events for their community music festival in September 2022; acknowledges that the Dunbar Traditional Music Festival started in 1988 and has taken place every September ever since, boosting morale and community spirit with live music in pubs, restaurants, church halls and pop up gigs on the High Street; and wishes everyone involved with Dunbar Traditional Music Festival the best of luck with all future projects.

#### 753 Dunbar Surf Life Saving Club receives National Lottery community funding

Tabled: 8/12/21 Signatories: 2

Kenny MacAskill Neale Hanvey

That this House congratulates East Lothian volunteer group Dunbar Surf Life Saving Club on receiving £9,450 from National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands that this funding will

provide a range of life saving equipment and training for beach warden patrols at Belhaven beach in Dunbar; commends Dunbar Surf Life Saving Club, established in 2014 to address the gap in provision for coastal water safety in East Lothian and the only one of its kind in Scotland, for their volunteers selflessness; and wishes them the best of luck with their future.

## 754 East Lothian Roots and Fruits SCIO receives National Lottery community funding

Tabled: 8/12/21 Signatories: 2

Kenny MacAskill Neale Hanvey

That this House congratulates East Lothian charity Roots and Fruits SCIO on receiving £9,000 from National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands that this will fund installation of a summerhouse in their hub to offer more community lunches, activities and events; and wishes the group the best of luck with their future.

### 755 Lanarkshire Association for Mental Health café and wellbeing centre in Wishaw

Tabled: 8/12/21 Signatories: 2

Marion Fellows Allan Dorans

That this House congratulates Lanarkshire Association for Mental Health on their recent opening of their Café and Wellbeing Centre in Wishaw; recognises the invaluable work they have done to create a community space which aims to provide healthy, well priced meals, alongside wellbeing services to support mental health; commends their Pay It Forward Scheme which provided over £600 worth of free meals last month to those in need; and further commends all of their staff on their excellent work to support people in Wishaw, particularly during this difficult year, and wishes them the best for the future.

### National Lottery Awards for All Scotland award to Newtongrange Development Trust

Tabled: 8/12/21 Signatories: 3

Owen Thompson Allan Dorans Neale Hanvey

That this House congratulates Newtongrange Development Trust on its award of £9,800 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; notes that the Trust will use this funding to develop an action plan for their organisation and run events; applauds the Trust's aim of to building on the strong community spirit in Newtongrange to develop inclusive, dynamic and sustainable initiatives to enhance social, economic, environmental and cultural benefits for its growing community; recognises the sterling work done by the National Lottery Community Fund to distribute funding on behalf of National Lottery players who raise more than £30 million each week for good causes throughout the UK; welcomes the awarding of £588.2 million of funding last year alone; and encourages projects and organisations to apply for grants whether large or small.

#### 758 The Scottish Italian Awards 2021 and Liberta, Bathgate

Tabled: 8/12/21 Signatories: 3

Martyn Day Allan Dorans Neale Hanvey

That this House congratulates Liberta Restaurant in Bathgate on being named Scotland's Best Family Business at the 8th annual Scottish Italian Awards; recognises that the Scottish Italian Awards celebrates Italian hospitality and culture in Scotland; praises Fikret, Tahir, Mustafa, Fatima and all the staff for their hard work; congratulates Liberta on receiving this prestigious accolade; and wishes the family-run business every success for the future.

759 Independent scrutiny of Luton Council and Luton Airport expansion proposals

Tabled: 8/12/21 Signatories: 2

Daisy Cooper Sir Mike Penning

That this House regrets the decision by Luton Council's planning committee on 1 December 2021 to proceed with the expansion of operations at Luton Airport; regrets that the increased upper passenger limit of 19 million will contribute to increased harmful carbon emissions and air pollution; considers that the process that allows the Luton Council as the owner of the airport to come to a decision that will generate future revenues without independent external oversight is a conflict of interest; notes with disappointment that promises by Luton Council/Luton Airport of introducing quieter aircraft before any moves to expand operations at the airport have not been met or enforced; recognises the anger and frustration of affected residents in Hertfordshire, Bedfordshire and beyond that their lives will continue to be blighted by the impact of aircraft noise, that has been shown to be detrimental to health; and urges the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities to use his powers to call in and determine this planning application without delay.

760 Fur-free Parliament campaign

Tabled: 8/12/21 Signatories: 4

Dr Lisa Cameron Caroline Lucas Allan Dorans Grahame Morris

That this House recognises the unnecessary slaughter of animals to produce fur for Parliamentary and State garments; calls on the Government to replace these with sustainable non-fur alternatives, now that an indistinguishable alternative has passed the Ministry of Defence's copyrighted test in the Ministry's accredited laboratory; notes that the use of real fur is not in line with the Government's commitment to have and promote the highest standards of animal welfare across the UK; and believes sustainable, faux fur should be the default option for garments and accessories for this purpose moving forward.