
Published: Monday 17 January 2022

Early Day Motions tabled on Friday 14 January 2022

Early Day Motions (EDMs) are motions for which no days have been fixed.

The number of signatories includes all members who have added their names in support of the Early Day Motion (EDM), including the Member in charge of the Motion.

EDMs and added names are also published on the EDM database at www.parliament.uk/edm

[R] Indicates that a relevant interest has been declared.

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.

816 24 hour hot food service for NHS staff

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 13

John McDonnell
Caroline Lucas
Paula Barker
Jim Shannon
Dan Carden
Kim Johnson

Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck

Richard Burgon

That this House expresses its support for the campaign launched by Neely Mozawala calling upon the Government to provide the funding necessary to enable each hospital trust to provide a 24/ hour hot food canteen service and dining facilities, providing affordable and nutritious hot food to their staff, recognising the importance of access to good nutrition to the wellbeing and mental and physical health of these caring staff and to the quality of the care provided to their patients; and further notes that this proposal follows from the recommendations of the national independent NHS food review undertaken by Prue Leith and Phil Shelley and the BMA Charter.

822 Post Office Horizon compensation scheme

Tabled: 6/01/22 Signatories: 60

Kate Osborne
Paula Barker
Wera Hobhouse
Kim Johnson
Allan Dorans
Alan Brown

Ian Mearns Richard Burgon

That this House believes that the 555 litigants, who won civil proceedings against Post Office Ltd in 2018-19, should not be excluded from the Post Office Horizon compensation scheme; that the exclusion of these litigants from the compensation scheme is having and will continue to have a direct and devastating impact on these individuals and their families, especially as they exposed the scandal against all odds and have been left with the legal bill for doing so; resolves that all those affected by this scandal, including the 555 litigants, must receive compensation that is commensurate with the suffering they have faced; and strongly urges the Government to put in place an external compensation scheme that is outside the scope of the Post Office and provide this group with the redress they not only deserve but are entitled to.

824 Work of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI)

Tabled: 6/01/22 Signatories: 20

Angus Brendan MacNeil
Kim Johnson
Dan Carden
Alison Thewliss
Jonathan Edwards
Mohammad Yasin

Richard Burgon

That this House commends the Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI) on their tireless work as well as their record year of donations and increased membership; celebrates the institution which is on its way to breaking its fundraising record since it was founded in 1824; notes the work of the 238 lifeboat stations in the UK and Ireland; recognises the heroic work of the RNLI staff and volunteers who risk their own lives to save others; praises the work they do in local communities as well as across their work in the nations of the United Kingdom; and further recognises in particular the work they have done to rescue those who have got into difficulty at sea while seeking asylum and making the perilous journey across the English Channel.

829 Covid mitigation in schools

Tabled: 10/01/22 Signatories: 10

Layla Moran
Ms Diane Abbott
Wera Hobhouse
Sarah Olney
Claudia Webbe
Jim Shannon

Mick Whitley

Richard Burgon

That this House notes that schools never shut and should never have to; expresses alarm that internationally and scientifically recognised, multi-layered mitigations advised by the WHO were not in place before in-person education resumed in September 2020, March 2021, September 2021 and January 2022 to prevent unnecessarily exposing students, staff and their families to increased risk of infection from airborne, covid-19 causing pathogens; recognises the importance of face-to-face learning in children's psychosocial development but stresses that this cannot be at the cost of their safety; notes with concern the failure to issue guidance that was firmly grounded in health and safety legislation and scientifically recognised infection control protocols, instead focusing on maximising attendance, which has contributed to over 100 children dying and thousands suffering from long covid; calls on the Government to stop pursuing the prosecutions of parents who wish to prevent their children from catching and spreading covid-19; and praises the work of SafeEdForAll, for tirelessly helping hundreds of thousands of families across the UK, who are deeply concerned with the current safety of schools.

830 Registration of both female same-sex parents of children born pre-2008

Tabled: 10/01/22 Signatories: 7

Richard Thomson
Alison Thewliss
Allan Dorans
Caroline Lucas
Chris Law
Amy Callaghan

Paula Barker

That this House notes that in the UK, unlike for those with children born after the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act came into force on 13 November 2008, female same-sex couples with children born pre-2008 cannot both be legally registered as the child or children's parent; further notes that in some countries it is a requirement for a parent seeking to relocate to those countries with their children to be recognised as a parent and that there is currently no means in law for them to remedy this situation; and calls on the Government to take action to remedy this by introducing a legal mechanism for both partners in a same-sex couple with children born pre-2008 to have the same rights in law to be recognised as the child or children's parents as those same-sex couples with children born post-2008.

835 Human rights in Bahrain

Tabled: 11/01/22 Signatories: 31

Margaret Ferrier
 Sir Peter Bottomley
 Tony Lloyd
 Brendan O'Hara
 Jim Shannon
 Kenny MacAskill

Claudia Webbe
 Sir George Howarth

Richard Thomson
 Wera Hobhouse

Paula Barker
 Richard Burgon

That this House is concerned by continuing serious human rights violations in Bahrain, including the ongoing arbitrary detention and inhumane treatment of prisoners of conscience, including Abduljalil al-Singace, Hassan Mushaima, Abdulwahab Hussain, Abdulhadi al-Khawaja and Sheikh Ali Salman; notes that Freedom House in its 2021 report rated Bahrain as not free and that Bahrain is ranked 150 out of 167 countries in The Economist's 2020 Global Democracy Index and 168 out of 180 in the World Press Freedom Index 2021; urges the Bahraini Government to release all prisoners of conscience, enable civil society representatives and human rights defenders to operate freely, permit genuine political opposition and independent media, and end the use of the death penalty; further urges the Bahraini Government to initiate a substantive and inclusive in-country dialogue on political and constitutional reform and to cooperate with human rights organisations and experts, including from the UN, to allow for, inter alia, an independent assessment of prison conditions and its reform agenda; and calls on the Government to review its funding to and other agreements with Bahrain and to meet human rights defenders and organisations, civil society representatives and non-violent opposition from Bahrain, as well as to take action to hold Bahraini officials responsible for serious human rights violations to account.

836 Detention of Professor Faizulla Jalal

Tabled: 11/01/22 Signatories: 7

Patrick Grady
 Jim Shannon
 Caroline Lucas
 Allan Dorans
 Chris Law
 Amy Callaghan

Wera Hobhouse

That this House notes with concern reports that Professor Faizullah Jalal of Kabul University, Afghanistan, has been arrested by the Taliban following an appearance on a news channel in which he criticised the regime's response to the humanitarian situation in the country; notes that many human rights organisations have expressed concern at that arrest, and that Amnesty International has described it as the latest effort by the Taliban to stifle dissent and further evidence of Taliban intimidation, harassment and violent attacks on individuals who criticise them, and that the organisation has found human rights defenders, women activists, journalists and members of academia have the greatest number of reprisals; and calls on the UK Government to condemn the behaviour of the Taliban, join efforts to press for the release of Professor Jalal, and to rapidly scale up its effort to provide asylum and resettlement support to Afghan nationals who wish to escape the Taliban regime and make their home in the UK.

837 Warm Home Discount Scheme

Tabled: 11/01/22 Signatories: 7

Chris Stephens
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans
Chris Law
Jonathan Edwards
Amy Callaghan

Paula Barker

That this House notes that the Government began in 2021 to consult on the idea of extending the Warm Home Discount scheme to a broader group of households on low incomes and with high heating costs; further notes that, under this idea, those households would receive the rebates automatically, rather than having to apply; notes that the idea has not yet been enacted and was instead earmarked for a later date; and calls on the Government to bring forward the introduction of that reform with immediate effect to help households on low incomes with the rising cost of living.

840 Overactive bladder syndrome

Tabled: 11/01/22 Signatories: 4

Jim Shannon
Paul Girvan
Paula Barker
Richard Burgon

That this House notes that overactive bladder syndrome (OAB) affects over 4.5 million people in the UK and costs the health system over £840 million per year; recognises that the serious condition impacts on physical, social and psychological wellbeing and can dominate and impose on peoples' sense of personal freedom by interfering with daily activities; is concerned that inadequate management of this condition can lead to escalating health costs and unnecessary hospitalisations; acknowledges that the covid-19 pandemic has severely impacted on patients being able to access their GP or receive adequate care and support for continence issues; further recognises that community-based continence services have been shown to save valuable NHS resources whilst restoring dignity to people and facilitating their ability to lead full and active lives; acknowledges that effective treatment of OAB and incontinence recognises the importance of access to early assessment and diagnosis and appropriate clinical interventions at the right point in time for each patient; and calls on the Government to ensure adherence to NICE Guidelines and NHS England's Excellence in Continence Care recommendations.

845 In memory of David Stuart

Tabled: 13/01/22 Signatories: 2

Stewart Malcolm McDonald
Allan Dorans

That this House is deeply saddened by the sudden death of David Stuart, an internationally respected advocate, activist, support worker, campaigner, lecturer and researcher for LGBT+ communities; notes that David worked at 56 Dean Street for the last eight years as the Substance Misuse Lead specialising in Chem Sex, and was a true pioneer on the subject with an ability to communicate difficult issues like few others; salutes his tireless work with LGBT+ communities which

he did with passion, empathy and kindness; and extends its deepest sympathies to David's family, friends, Dean Street colleagues and all who will miss him.

846 Jyoti Hazra MBE

Tabled: 13/01/22 Signatories: 2

Chris Law
Allan Dorans

That this House records its sadness at the passing of Jyoti Hazra MBE at the age of 91; commends Jyoti as a tireless campaigner, both in the city of Dundee and across Scotland, for an increase in racial tolerance and understanding between communities; notes that he was a former member of the then Dundee District Council's equal opportunities committee and a past chairman of the Tayside Community Relations Council; further notes his roles as a founding member of the Bharatiya Ashram and as a founder and chairman of the Dundee Translation and Interpretation Service; recognises that his life's work in improving race relations resulted in his receipt of an MBE in 2003; further recognises that he also received the prestigious award of Videsh Samman from the Consul General of India for his service to India-UK relations; and sends its condolences to his family and friends at this sad time.

847 No confidence in the Prime Minister

Tabled: 13/01/22 Signatories: 18

Ed Davey
Daisy Cooper
Wendy Chamberlain
Layla Moran
Mr Alistair Carmichael
Tim Farron

Hywel Williams
Mick Whitley

Liz Saville Roberts

Paula Barker

That this House has no confidence in the Prime Minister because he has broken the covid-19 lockdown laws his Government introduced, misled both Parliament and the public about it, and disastrously undermined public confidence in the midst of a pandemic.

848 Compassion, respect and integrity in politics

Tabled: 13/01/22 Signatories: 14

Liz Saville Roberts
Ian Blackford
Ed Davey
Caroline Lucas
Claire Hanna
Debbie Abrahams

Ben Lake
Paula Barker
Martyn Day

Hywel Williams
Stephen Farry
Mick Whitley

Tommy Sheppard
Wera Hobhouse

That this House condemns the organisation of social gatherings and events at Downing Street during the periods of covid-19 lockdown; further condemns the lack of transparency from the Government regarding the parties and reluctance to disclose attendance; believes that when

Members and Ministers do not acknowledge or apologise for making statements that are not accurate and refuse to correct the record, they endanger the reputation of the House of Commons; calls for action to strengthen the values of compassion, respect, and integrity in politics; further calls for the introduction of a new law to strengthen the ability of Parliament and the public to hold politicians to account for deliberate lying and misrepresentation; recommends that Parliamentary time be allocated for a debate on such a law as soon as possible; and is concerned that failure to take action on this matter could erode confidence in our democracy.