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New EDMs

849 **Healthy Start Vouchers**

Tabled: 17/01/22 Signatories: 1

Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck

That this House notes that 218,002 families on low incomes in England are currently unable to access their entitlement to the Healthy Start scheme; also notes that, between November and December 2021, take-up of the scheme dropped by more than a fifth, from 65 per cent to 51 per cent, meaning that out of 449,748 potential beneficiaries, only 231,746 are enrolled on the scheme; further notes that no local authority in England has a take-up rate of higher than 62 per cent; and calls on the Government to enact Feeding Britain's proposal for an automatic registration scheme, similar to the one which sees pensioners on low incomes receive their Warm Home Discount automatically, to secure full take-up of the scheme and overcome barriers such as low awareness, bureaucracy, and stigma which prevent take-up being higher.

850 **Lullaby Lane Nurseries named finalists in the SME Employer of the Year category at the Scottish Apprenticeship Awards**

Tabled: 17/01/22 Signatories: 1

Amy Callaghan

That this House congratulates the team at Lullaby Lane Nurseries in East Dunbartonshire on being named finalists in the SME Employer of the Year category at the Scottish Apprenticeship Awards 2022; understands that Lullaby Lane Nurseries has been providing quality childcare services across the community since 2013; notes how valued these nurseries are in the community; further notes the team's focus on attachment-led practices for children which enable them to reach their full potential and how passionate the staff are about early years learning; commends Lullaby Lane Nurseries for their efforts to support families and the community throughout the covid-19 pandemic; recognises that this achievement is a testament to the team's hard work over the years; and looks forward to seeing what more Lullaby Lane Nurseries will achieve in the future.

851 Lord Castlereagh

Tabled: 17/01/22 Signatories: 5

Jim Shannon
Sammy Wilson
Carla Lockhart
Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson
Gavin Robinson

That this House notes the programme of events at Mount Stewart Estate, Co Down to commemorate the life and death of Robert Stewart, Lord Castlereagh; further notes the chequered opinion on this man who considered himself to be Irish and an Ulsterman and was instrumental in the Act of Union 1801; highlights that the historical facts denote a complex man that will be interestingly presented in the programme of events; and urges those from all areas of the UK to come to the exhibitions to learn more about this pivotal player in the formation of the United Kingdom and Ireland at that time.

852 Shareholders in firms linked to the Grenfell Tower fire or building safety defects

Tabled: 17/01/22 Signatories: 1

Sir Peter Bottomley

That this House notes that Arconic's Reynobond, Kingspan's K15 Kooltherm and Saint-Gobain Celotex foam insulation products have been found to be highly flammable and dangerously combustible; notes the statement by the Association of Residential Managing Agents that nearly £50,000 may be the average cost of remediating building safety defects including flammable cladding or insulation; understands the reason for the revocation of Kingspan's proposed sponsorship of Mercedes Formula One team; recognises the responsibilities and opportunities and interest of shareholders in companies to influence the boards of builders and component suppliers; notes Norges Bank Investment Management has been a major shareholder in Saint-Gobain, Kingspan and Arconic, together with builders including Barratt, Bellway, Berkeley, Crest Nicholson, LendLease, Persimmon, Taylor Wimpey and Vistry; and asks Norges Bank to require responsible firms to resolve buildings' fire safety defects, compensate victims and to divest holdings in firms that fail to do so, as asked by the UK Cladding Action Group, End Our Cladding Scandal, Grenfell United, Action for Fire Safety Justice, the National Leasehold Campaign and the Leasehold Knowledge Partnership.

853 Tamil Heritage Month 2022

Tabled: 17/01/22 Signatories: 1

Ed Davey

That this House recognises January as Tamil Heritage Month; acknowledges the tremendous contributions that Tamils make to British society, particularly the vital role the Tamil community has played in helping the UK tackle covid-19 as healthcare workers, teachers, and vaccine researchers; celebrates the richness of Tamil culture; notes that the Canadian Government has already recognised January as Tamil Heritage Month; further notes that January is an important month for Tamils as it marks Thai Pongal, the Tamil Harvest Festival; recognises the importance of increasing awareness about the accomplishments of the Tamil diaspora; and calls on the UK Government to formally establish January as Tamil Heritage Month.

854 Bronwyn Brodie's charity trek

Tabled: 17/01/22 Signatories: 1

Kenny MacAskill

That this House commends the fundraising efforts of Bronwyn Brodie of Dunbar, a Learning Support Assistant at Musselburgh Grammar School, who trekked through the Wadi Rum in Jordan, also known as Valley of the Moon, and raised over £1,500 for cancer charity Maggie's; congratulates Bronwyn on completing the 100km journey in scorching weather alongside a group of a dozen other walkers who were equipped with just a backpack containing food, water, a first aid kit, and other essentials; understands that Bronwyn herself was diagnosed with breast cancer in 2015, and that some of the group had been though cancer personally or had been touched by cancer through family members; notes that the fundraiser had originally been organised to trek through the Sahara desert in 2020 but was postponed due to the covid-19 pandemic; and wishes Bronwyn the very best with her future and any future fundraising opportunities.

855 Pencaitland Youth Football Club Fundraise for Defibrillator

Tabled: 17/01/22 Signatories: 1

Kenny MacAskill

That this House commends Pencaitland Youth Football Club for working alongside Pencaitland Bowling Club to raise funds for a defibrillator; congratulates the club on their success of raising over £1,000 by covering 204 miles by walking round the village's park before Christmas 2021 with their parents and coaches for the life-saving device; notes that the defibrillator will be sited at Pencaitland Bowling Club for use by members of the public in an emergency; and wishes Pencaitland Youth Football Club the best of luck with their futures.

856 Bridges Project to receive gift thanks to North Berwick pupils

Tabled: 17/01/22 Signatories: 1

Kenny MacAskill

That this House congratulates Elena Callander and Ruby Clark, pupils at North Berwick High School, on securing £3,000 for the Bridges Project in Musselburgh through the school's Youth and Philanthropy Initiative competition; understands that groups of pupils had to research a social issue and deliver a presentation; notes that the Bridges Project, which works with young people in East Lothian and Midlothian to help them manage the transition from adolescence to young adulthood, was named the success thanks to Elena and Ruby's research and presentation; and wishes Elena, Ruby, and everyone involved in the Bridges Project the best of luck with their future.

857 Richard Gallacher and Keith Courtney Raise £22,000 for charity

Tabled: 17/01/22 Signatories: 1

Kenny MacAskill

That this House congratulates Richard Gallacher and Keith Courtney on raising an admirable £22,037.93 in aid of the Edinburgh and Lothians Health Foundation for the Haematology Centre at the Western General Hospital, and St Columba's Hospice, by cycling more than 1,300 miles from Land's End to John O'Groats, and then cycling from one of Scotland's most northerly points back to their home town of Dunbar; understands that Keith was taking part in the fundraiser in memory of his mother Fiona who sadly passed in 2014 after being diagnosed with leukaemia, and Richard was taking part in the fundraiser in memory of his father David who sadly passed in 2015 after being diagnosed with mesothelioma, a rare type of cancer related to asbestos exposure; notes that the raised money will be split equally between the two causes; and wishes Richard and Keith the best of luck with their futures.

858 Diagnosis of Liver Disease

Tabled: 17/01/22 Signatories: 1

Tracey Crouch

That this House welcomes the British Liver Trust's campaign to make early diagnosis of liver disease routine, to be launched in Parliament on Tuesday 26 April 2022; is concerned that the UK is facing a liver disease crisis as a result of the seriously late diagnosis of liver disease across the UK; notes that delays in diagnosis have worsened during the covid-19 outbreak; and calls for urgent action to ensure effective patient pathways are commissioned and implemented.

859 Member of Finnish Parliament in freedom of religious expression court case

Tabled: 17/01/22 Signatories: 1

Mr Gregory Campbell

That this House notes that a Member of the Finnish Parliament, Paivi Rasanen, has been the subject of a two-year pre-trial investigation in response to charges brought by the Prosecutor General of Finland relating to her publicly expressed views on traditional marriage resulting in a court case due to commence on 24 January 2022; is concerned at the potential implications of that case for other countries; further notes the range of non-Christian groups and individuals who have criticised the decision to prosecute; and acknowledges Ms Rasanen's quoted and reported comments before the court case that she will not back down from her views and will not be intimidated into hiding her faith, and the more Christians keep silent on controversial themes, the narrower the space for freedom of speech gets.

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.

795 20th anniversary of Creative Commons

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 9

Alyn Smith
Allan Dorans
Caroline Lucas
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Patrick Grady

Marion Fellows

That this House celebrates the 20th anniversary of Creative Commons, a non-profit organisation which provides licences that give a free, simple and standardised way to grant copyright permissions; recognises that Creative Commons licences remove legal and technical obstacles to enable the global sharing of knowledge and creativity; acknowledges that Creative Commons licences have unlocked nearly 2 billion works around the world, including all Wikipedia content which has been published using a Creative Commons licence since 2009; congratulates Creative Commons for increasing access to valuable information, historic images, scientific articles, educational resources, cultural artefacts and more; and agrees that greater access to information means a stronger global community, more innovation, and increased capacity to solve key challenges the world faces today.

798 Remembering Stephen Sutton MBE

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 21

Amy Callaghan
Allan Dorans
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Patrick Grady
Stuart C McDonald

Marion Fellows

That this House celebrates the life and legacy of the late Stephen Sutton MBE who was born on 16 December 1994; understands Stephen was a charity activist known for his blog and fundraising efforts for Teenage Cancer Trust; notes Stephen's story continues to be a source of inspiration for thousands of people battling cancer across the UK and the rest of the world; further notes that before his passing Stephen raised over £3 million for charities in just over a year and over £5.5 million to this day; recognises the immense impact Stephen's life, fundraising, and passion has had in helping others deal with cancer and other illnesses; thanks Stephen and his family for all they continue to do to help those in need; wishes all the best to his mother Jane and father Andrew; and thanks Stephen Sutton MBE for all he did to help people fighting cancer and for being brave enough to share his inspirational story with the world.

800 Care and Repair in South Lanarkshire

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 5

Angela Crawley
Allan Dorans
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Marion Fellows

That this House congratulates Care and Repair in South Lanarkshire on receiving £10,000 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; commends the work of Care and Repair in South Lanarkshire to help older people and those with disabilities to live independently by helping with repairs, improvements or adaptations to homes; understands this funding will allow the purchase of a van to allow Care and Repair in South Lanarkshire to sustain and further develop their service, including expanding into North Lanarkshire; and wishes the organisation best wishes for the future.

801 Friends of Stonehouse Park

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 6

Angela Crawley
Allan Dorans
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Patrick Grady
Marion Fellows

That this House congratulates Friends of Stonehouse Park on receiving £6,000 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands the group will organise a year-long programme of events in Alexander Hamilton Memorial Park in Stonehouse to enhance local people's enjoyment of the open space and woodland; and commends the Friends of Stonehouse Park on their outstanding work to promote the use of the park by young people through bulb planting and Christmas events.

802 Stonehouse Scout and Guide Hall Committee

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 5

Angela Crawley
Allan Dorans
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Marion Fellows

That this House congratulates Stonehouse Scout and Guide Hall Committee on receiving £9,800 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands the grant will fund replacement windows as part of the wider refurbishment of the Scout and Guide hall to improve the well-used community facility; and commends the work of the Stonehouse Scout and Guide Hall Committee on their commitment and dedication to their work in the community.

803 Bothwell Parish Church

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 5

Angela Crawley
Allan Dorans
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Marion Fellows

That this House congratulates Bothwell Parish Church on receiving £10,000 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; recognises Bothwell Parish Church as the oldest Collegiate Church in Scotland in which worship is still held; admires the history and artistry of the church, with a quire dating back to 1389, stained glass windows by Sir Edward Burne-Jones, Gordon McWhirter Webster and Douglas Strachan, and housing the Bothwell Embroideries; understands this funding will be used to fund the purchase and installation of a new boiler; and commends the commitment to restoring and maintaining the church for continued use of the people of Bothwell

804 St Paul's Primary School

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 6

Angela Crawley
Allan Dorans
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Patrick Grady
Marion Fellows

That this House congratulates St Paul's Primary School on receiving £10,000 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands the school will use this funding to make free after-school sporting and leisure activities available to all residents of Whitehill, Hamilton; and commends the school for working to make the community a better place to live.

807 Ending horse slaughter in the UK

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 9

Dr Lisa Cameron
Allan Dorans
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Wera Hobhouse
John Nicolson

Marion Fellows

That this House is alarmed by the revelations of an undercover investigation by Animal Aid, which featured on BBC Panorama, showing the slaughter of unwanted equines; is shocked that thousands of horses and ponies are killed for their meat every year in the UK and Ireland; notes that there are no restrictions on horse production or breeding in the UK or Ireland and that most horses are speculatively bred for profit; understands that this leads to a surplus of unwanted equines; calls on the Government to take pro-active steps to require all horse breeding societies to set tangible annual limits on the numbers of equines bred and to make it a requirement that all breeders are responsible for each animal they produce both in welfare and financial terms; and further calls on the Government to collect, analyse and make public the number of equines from all breed societies slaughtered each year so that the annual limits may be reduced further if the situation shows no sign of improvement.

808 Recognition for Lisa Gordon in the hair and beauty sector

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 6

Dr Lisa Cameron
Allan Dorans
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Margaret Ferrier
Marion Fellows

That this House notes the outstanding work of Lisa Gordon from the constituency of East Kilbride, Strathaven and Lesmshagow; notes her achievements over the last year including being a finalist in the Hair and Beauty Awards for Training Academy of the Year 2021 and the Scottish Hair and Beauty Awards 2021; commends Lisa for the success of her training academy, which has included three trophy wins in the last three years; further salutes her achieving international success in Lash and Brow competitions and wishes her every on-going success with the training academy based in Strathaven.

810 80th anniversary of the Wannsee Conference in January 1942

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 7

Mr Gregory Campbell
Carla Lockhart
Jim Shannon
Wera Hobhouse
Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson
Paul Girvan

Marion Fellows

That this House notes January 2022 marks the eightieth anniversary of the Wannsee Conference where a number of German Government representatives met outside Berlin in 1942 and formalised the procedures and practical steps to deal with what was termed the Jewish question that would ultimately lead to the mass murder of millions of Jewish people; and expresses the hope that people from Nations across the world will take steps to ensure that current and future generations repudiate continuing anti-Semitic incidents and never forget the scale of atrocities which took place during that horrendous period of European history.

811 Children's Mental Health Week

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 15

Dr Lisa Cameron
Allan Dorans
Caroline Lucas
Jonathan Edwards
Paula Barker
Jim Shannon

Marion Fellows

That this House recognises that 7 February 2022 marks the beginning of Children's Mental Health Week; notes that this year's theme is growing together; recognises that the covid-19 pandemic has challenged the mental health of children and adults across the world and understands that those challenges and setbacks can help us to grow and adapt together; further acknowledges that

75 per cent of mental illnesses start before a person's 18th birthday, highlighting a growing need for mental health support from a young age; thanks all the UK mental health charities currently providing support, including Place2Be and YoungMinds; and urges the Government to implement a dedicated mental health strategy.

814 ANM Group 150th anniversary

Tabled: **5/01/22** Signatories: **16**

Richard Thomson
Allan Dorans
Douglas Chapman
Drew Hendry
Deidre Brock
Martin Docherty-Hughes

Marion Fellows

That this House notes that 2022 sees the 150th anniversary of the foundation of what is now the ANM Group Limited co-operative; recognises that North-east Scotland has been an area where, for centuries, livestock rearing and marketing has been a source of pride, prestige and considerable financial investment; acknowledges Aberdeen and Northern Marts generated a hive of activity where farmers, dealers, agricultural workers and families came together to do business and socialise; and congratulates ANM Group for the development of modern auction centres, the pioneering of electronic and video auctions, diversification into non-agricultural auctions and the move into the high-quality catering and hospitality market which are examples of the innovative approach which has made ANM Group a highly-successful farmer-owned business.

816 24 hour hot food service for NHS staff

Tabled: **5/01/22** Signatories: **15**

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

Apsana Begum

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.

819 The work of the PEEK Project

Tabled: 6/01/22 Signatories: 9

Alison Thewliss
John Nicolson
Allan Dorans
Amy Callaghan
David Linden
Jim Shannon

Marion Fellows

Patrick Grady

That this House celebrates the fantastic work of the Possibilities for Each and Every Kid project in providing opportunities for children, young people and families across Glasgow to play, create and thrive; congratulates PEEK Chief Executive Michaela Collins on being awarded an MBE for services to the community in Glasgow during covid-19 in the New Year Honours; recalls that Michaela progressed through PEEK as a young person, as a volunteer and staff member; notes the huge success of this year's Winter Warmer and Christmas Gift Appeal which has already raised over £15,000 and is providing cosy winter jackets, wellies and Christmas gifts to those needing some extra help and cheer over the winter period; congratulates the team on receiving the Teams Award at the Glasgow Times' Community Champions Awards which rightfully recognised their enormous efforts to support more than 3,500 children and young people throughout the covid-19 pandemic and deliver an incredible 350,000 meals through the PEEK-A-CHEW project; thanks everyone at PEEK for their continued kindness, commitment and generosity and for the hope and opportunities they have provided to so many people over the last 25 years; and looks forward to the many new ventures and successes still to come.

820 125 years of Glasgow subway

Tabled: 6/01/22 Signatories: 9

Alison Thewliss
Richard Thomson
John Nicolson
Allan Dorans
Amy Callaghan
Jim Shannon

Marion Fellows

Patrick Grady

That this House congratulates Glasgow Subway on its 125th birthday; recognises the contribution the Clockwork Orange has made to the character of our city and its importance in keeping Glasgow connected; notes the huge efforts made to ensure the Subway has adapted throughout its lifetime and looks forward to the benefits the Subway Modernisation will bring; thanks all of the fantastic staff for their continued work and dedication to keep the carriages rolling and travellers safe throughout the pandemic despite the enormous challenges and risks posed by covid-19; and wishes our shoogly but dependable Subway all the best for the next 125 years.

821 50th birthday of the Strathbungo Society

Tabled: 6/01/22 Signatories: 7

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

Patrick Grady

That this House wishes the Strathbungo Society a very happy 50th birthday; notes the Society was established in 1971 by a small group of residents seeking to save the neighbourhood from destruction as part of plans to build a motorway; recognises that the Society has grown and expanded over the years and that it has been instrumental in making Strathbungo a vibrant and desirable place to live and work; appreciates the Society's aims in developing a strong, close-knit and diverse community and promoting the conservation of local architecture and environmental heritage; thanks the generations of volunteers who have dedicated their time, love and effort to the evolution of the Society and without whom it could not survive; and looks forward to the continued joy, support and successes the Society will bring to future generations of Strathbungo residents for the next 50 years and beyond.

822 Post Office Horizon compensation scheme

Tabled: 6/01/22 Signatories: 67

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

Stephen Farry
 Gavin Robinson
 Ian Paisley

Mr Alistair Carmichael
 Mr Barry Sheerman

Apsana Begum
 Christine Jardine

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: 25

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

Apsana Begum

Patrick Grady

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.

826 World Champion skater Elise Christie's retirement from short track speed skating

Tabled: 10/01/22 Signatories: 8

Hannah Bardell
Jonathan Edwards
Alison Thewliss
Allan Dorans
Jim Shannon
Chris Law

Marion Fellows

Patrick Grady

That this House sends its best wishes to three-time Scottish and British Olympic short track speed World Champion skater Elise Christie, following her decision to retire from short track speed skating; notes that Elise was born in Livingston and attended St Margaret's High School and later went on to study at Loughborough College, was originally a figure skater but made the transition to speed skating at the age of 15, achieving 12 world championship medals over her distinguished career; further notes that Elise is a 10-time European gold medallist, achieving two overall European titles in 2015 and 2016 respectively, winning over 70 World Cup/ European and World Championship medals in total, representing her country in no less than three Winter Olympics, finishing in fourth place at the 2018 Winter Olympic Games in PyeongChang; notes the unwavering support of her coach, mentor and friend Nicky Gooch; recognises her courageous decision to speak openly about her mental health struggles; further notes with pride her untiring commitment to her sport despite many hardships throughout her career in which she has inspired countless children to never give up on their dreams; congratulates her and co-author Mark Eglington on the compelling personal autobiography titled Resilience that charts Elise's journey to becoming a champion; and sends her very best wishes in her role as a coach ahead of the Winter Olympic Games in Beijing and for her future.

827 Clare Mitchell, owner of Revive Salon, Cardenden

Tabled: 10/01/22 Signatories: 7

Peter Grant
Douglas Chapman
Allan Dorans
Margaret Ferrier
Jim Shannon
Chris Law

Marion Fellows

That this House commends the work of owner, Clare Mitchell, at Revive Salon in Cardenden for looking after those facing homelessness in the local area by offering free haircuts, hot drinks and a listening ear throughout December; congratulates her on the success of her thoughtful and kind gesture during an already busy period for the salon; thanks her on behalf of those who benefitted from her opening her business in this way as it will no doubt have had a significant impact to their wellbeing; highlights the importance of acts of kindness in pulling local communities together; and wishes her all the best for the continued success of her business.

829 Covid mitigation in schools

Tabled: 10/01/22 Signatories: 12

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

Steven Bonnar

Christine Jardine

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.

832 David Marshall, Vice-Chair, East Fife Football Club

Tabled: 10/01/22 Signatories: 9

Peter Grant
Ms Anum Qaisar
Alison Thewliss
Douglas Chapman
Allan Dorans
Margaret Ferrier

Patrick Grady

That this House records its sadness at the recent passing of Dave Marshall, Vice-chair of East Fife Football Club; notes that Dave, a retired Royal Navy officer and a lifelong supporter of The Fife, joined the board in 2003 and served almost continuously until his death; commends his dedication in also working for almost 10 years on the ground staff at Bayview Stadium before taking on a similar role at King George V Park in Leven where the playing surface was recognised as one of the best in junior and amateur football; recognises his commitment to the development of women's football in Levenmouth by serving as vice-chair of the Trustees of East Fife Girls and Women's Football Club at King George V Park in Leven; further notes his dedication to his local community through such positions as a trustee of Fifers For The Community, Secretary of East Fife Supporters' Club and as East Fife Football Club's ambassador for the Show Racism the Red Card campaign; and sends its condolences to his family, friends and everyone at East Fife at this sad time.

834 Carlibar Park Wee Wood

Tabled: 11/01/22 Signatories: 7

Kirsten Oswald
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans
Chris Law
Amy Callaghan
Marion Fellows

Patrick Grady

That this House congratulates the pupils of Carlibar Primary School in Barrhead who are playing their part in tackling climate change by planting hundreds of trees; notes that the school's primary seven group planted saplings of native species, including oak and aspen, at Barrhead's Carlibar Park as part of the Wee Wood project being run in partnership by the Scottish Contemporary Art Network and East Renfrewshire Council; further notes that the Carlibar Park Wee Wood will be one of 26 woodlands established across East Renfrewshire as part of a legacy project linked to the COP26 climate change conference held in Glasgow last year; welcomes the fact that artist and Scottish Contemporary Art Network member, Robyn Woolston, who worked with the pupils on the tree planting will work with Carlibar Primary on further art activities to help reduce carbon impact, support ecological diversity and introduce young people to the role of art in unlocking climate action.

835 Human rights in Bahrain

Tabled: 11/01/22 Signatories: 41

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

Marion Fellows
Kirsten Oswald
Hywel Williams

Wendy Chamberlain
Dan Carden
Liz Saville Roberts

Anne McLaughlin
Ben Lake

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: 8

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

Marion Fellows

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: 10

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

Marion Fellows

Patrick Grady

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.

838 Funding for nutrition-related aid programmes

Tabled: 11/01/22 Signatories: 9

Patrick Grady
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans
Chris Law
Amy Callaghan
Liz Saville Roberts

Marion Fellows

That this House calls on the Government to urgently reconsider its decision not to pledge any new funding at the December 2021 Nutrition for Growth Summit hosted by Tokyo; notes that the Government did not set targets for its impact in this area at the summit; is concerned that the UK was previously considered a leader in combatting malnutrition but has since reduced nutrition-specific international aid by 70 per cent which is disproportionate to reductions elsewhere and has undermined the UK's international reputation in addition to putting millions of lives at risk; notes that malnutrition is still linked to 45 per cent of deaths among under fives worldwide; and calls on the Government to urgently commit to investing £120 million per year over the next five years in nutrition-specific programming and to renew its commitment to reach at least 50 million people with nutrition-specific programming by 2025 as campaigned for by international charities in the field prior to the summit.

839 2nd Renfrew (Trinity) Scouts

Tabled: 11/01/22 Signatories: 6

Gavin Newlands
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans
Chris Law
Marion Fellows
Patrick Grady

That this House notes the centenary of the formation of the 2nd Renfrew (Trinity) Scout Group on 21 November 2021 following the work of Mr Archie Ferguson in constituting and leading the group as its first Scoutmaster; congratulates the group on the hugely positive role they have played in Renfrew and for the wider community over their 100 years of existence; recognises the work and dedication of all who have helped the group since its foundation, including leaders, helpers and parents, and have helped the group adapt and modernise over the years; acknowledges the thousands of Scouts, Cubs, Explorers and Beavers who have benefited from membership of the group; and extends good wishes to the group for its next 100 years of serving the community.

841 Russian Military Studies Centre

Tabled: 12/01/22 Signatories: 7

Martin Docherty-Hughes
Allan Dorans
Jim Shannon
Steven Bonnar
Patrick Grady
Gavin Robinson

Dr Philippa Whitford

That this House commends the work of the Russian Military Studies Centre (RMSC) at the Defence Academy of the UK (DefAc UK), particularly during time of heightened tension with the Russian Federation; notes that it contains one of the most extensive catalogues of papers, journals, books and other resources regarding military and security policy not only of the Russian Federation and the USSR, but of other former Soviet Republics, with publications predominantly in Russian and English, but also in the languages of Eastern Europe and Central Asia; further notes that the RMSC's holding has been built up over 70 years, originating in the Soviet Studies Research Centre (SSRC) based at the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst; notes that following the end of the Cold War the SSRC became the Conflict Studies Research Centre (CSRC), and moved to DefAc UK in 2004; regretfully notes that the CSRC collection was almost disbanded before passing over to the care of the Barrington Library which augmented that collection with materials from the School of Languages at the Ministry of Defence; is disappointed that despite this outstanding pedigree and proven research record supporting the UK's Armed Forces and others, that the future of the RMSC remains unclear; and is concerned to note that staff previously employed at the archive have not had their contracts renewed since September 2021, while the Ministry of Defence undertakes a study on the future of the RMSC.

845 In memory of David Stuart

Tabled: 13/01/22 Signatories: 4

Stewart Malcolm McDonald
 Allan Dorans
 John Nicolson
 Patrick Grady

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: 4

Chris Law
 Allan Dorans
 Patrick Grady
 Jim Shannon

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: 22

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

Caroline Lucas

Apsana Begum

Jonathan Edwards

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: 26

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

Dawn Butler
Claudia Webbe
Dan Carden
Rachael Maskell

Marion Fellows
Lloyd Russell-Moyle
Jonathan Edwards

Apsana Begum
Anne McLaughlin
Colum Eastwood

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.