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New EDMs

930 Industrial action at Barts Health NHS Trust

Tabled: 1/02/22 Signatories: 21

Apsana Begum Caroline Lucas Chris Stephens Bell Ribeiro-Addy John McDonnell Ian Mearns

Zarah SultanaMs Diane AbbottIan ByrneJeremy CorbynAndy McDonaldClive LewisKate OsborneRichard BurgonGrahame MorrisMarsha De CordovaIan LaveryMick WhitleyTahir AliNadia WhittomeDawn Butler

That this House expresses solidarity with hundreds of key NHS workers across Barts Health NHS Trust, employed by the outsourcing company Serco, taking strike action between Monday 31 January and Sunday 13 February 2022 over low pay; notes that the Unite members who are cleaners, porters, security, catering and reception staff, and are predominately from Black, Asian and minority ethnic backgrounds, are paid up to 15 per cent less than directly employed NHS staff; further notes that Serco Group PLC had a turnover of £3.9 billion according to the latest figures available; believes that Serco should improve its pay offer so that all workers are paid fairly; and calls for the related services contract be brought in-house and for the workforce to be transferred onto Agenda for Change pay, terms and conditions, as soon as possible.

931 Siblings in the care system

Tabled: 1/02/22 Signatories: 1

Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck

That this House notes the urgent need to improve sibling contact for children in care; further notes that research shows more than 70 per cent of looked-after children with a sibling in care are separated from that brother or sister; further expresses concern about the harm caused when sibling relationships are needlessly ripped apart in the care system; further notes that current legislation requires a looked-after child to have reasonable contact with their parents, without recognising the provision for a looked-after child's contact with their siblings or half siblings; urges the Government to recognise the importance of sibling bonds and shared experience in the care system; and further emphasises the importance of documentaries, such as Split up in Care – Life Without Siblings, in rising awareness of the real life impact of sibling separation.

932 Use of reusable nappies

Tabled: 1/02/22 Signatories: 1

Kirsty Blackman

That this House commends Nappy Alliance for their promotion of reusable nappies and positive environmental practices; notes that reusable nappies help reduce the consumption of single use plastic; and further notes that a voucher for those is issued to new parents as part of the Scottish Government's Baby Box initiative.

933 LGBT+ History Month

Tabled: 1/02/22 Signatories: 1

Kirsten Oswald

That this House notes that February is LGBT+ History Month, which aims to promote equality and diversity for the benefit of all; welcomes this year's theme, Blurring Borders: A World in Motion, which invites people to think beyond borders and to consider their place within the global movement towards equality; expresses concern that in 69 UN member states, LGBT+ people are still criminalised and targeted under numerous discriminatory laws; further expresses concern at the potential impact of the Nationalities and Borders Bill on LGBT+ people seeking safety from persecution; highlights the vital work done by community support groups, such as the LGBT+ Youth Helpline in East Renfrewshire operated in partnership by East Renfrewshire Council and the East Renfrewshire LGBT+ Youth Group; understands that LGBT+ History Month is coordinated in Scotland by LGBT Youth Scotland, a national charity aimed at promoting health and wellbeing among LGBT+ young people aged 13 to 25; wishes all involved with LGBT+ History Month every success in their endeavours; and calls on all Members to support this annual event and raise awareness of the part that everyone can play in delivering a fairer, just, and more equal society for all.

934 Sheep worrying protections

Tabled: 1/02/22 Signatories: 1

Ben Lake

That this House notes with concern press reports suggesting that the progression of the Animal Welfare (Kept Animals) Bill is being paused by the Government; notes that that legislation will deliver a long-overdue tightening of regulations regarding sheep worrying attacks; is concerned with the continued mental and economic pressure that sheep worrying places on farming communities in Wales and across the UK; recalls the 2021 results of the National Sheep

Signatories: 1

Association's annual survey noting that on average five sheep are injured and two sheep killed per sheep worrying attack, costing on average £1570 but up to £50,000; and seeks assurance from the Government that legislation addressing sheep worrying will be allowed to progress under the Animal Welfare (Kept Animals) Bill or otherwise separate urgent legislation will be brought to the House.

935 Housing emergency

Lloyd Russell-Moyle

That this House notes with concern that the Government is providing insufficient grant for building council housing; that the current policy encourages the building of homes which charge so-called affordable rent, in reality unaffordable for many; encourages the conversion of social rent homes to affordable rent, leading to tenants in similar properties paying up to double the rent of homes charged social rent; that as a result of Right to Buy council housing stock continues to decline with 200,000, less than in 2010 in England alone; that housing revenue accounts have insufficient income as a result of the 2012 debt settlement and government policies since then; this House, therefore, calls on the government to provide grant only for building social rent homes; that it agrees with Shelter's and the Local Government Association's call for funding a large scale social housing building programme; that grant at least of £10 billion a year is required to fund 100,000 social rent council homes a year; that this House recognises the need to stop the loss of stock by ending Right to Buy; that the government reopens the 2012 debt settlement which imposed bogus debt on housing revenue accounts; and that without these measures there is no chance of resolving the housing emergency we face.

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936 Cost of reducing fire dangers and buy-to-let landlords

Sir Peter Bottomley

That This House welcomes Government proposals that leaseholders should not have to contribute to the cost of reducing fire dangers in blocks of flats; notes that those subletting flats as a result of being unable to sell them due to cladding or other fire issues may come within terms of the proposed financial contributions scheme; and asks that all leaseholders, whether owner occupiers or individual landlords, should be treated equally and fairly as buy-to-let landlords and owner-occupying leaseholders have faced the same problems with developers through no fault of their own.

937 Charlie Wardrope at the UK Youth Climbing Series Grand Final

Tabled: 1/02/22 Signatories: 1

Owen Thompson

That this House congratulates 11-year old Charlie Wardrop from Eskbank, Midlothian, on winning the UK Youth Climbing Series Grand Final in Southampton in November 2021; notes that that achievement has placed him in the sport's GB Development Squad; notes with admiration that Charlie began climbing as recently as late 2019 at Eden Rock at Edgefield Industrial Estate in Loanhead; commends Charlie for his impressive progress in both rope climbing and bouldering; and further commends professional and amateur climbers for their contribution to sporting and outdoors culture.

938 Constitutional referendum in Belarus

Tabled: 1/02/22 Signatories: 1

Tony Lloyd

That this House notes the plans of the regime in Belarus to hold a constitutional referendum; stresses that there are now over 1000 political prisoners in Belarus while 241 NGOs and 40 media outlets have been closed down; highlights the imprisonment of the Belsat journalists, Darya Chultsova and Katsyaryna Andreyeva; emphasises that there is an ongoing pattern of repression of any freedom of speech and a purge of anyone in state employment who has expressed any dissent against the governing regime; believes that, in these circumstances, the upcoming Belarusian constitutional referendum cannot be viewed as free and fair; and calls on the governing regime in Belarus to allow civil society and the independent media to operate to allow for a genuine national debate over these proposed changes.

939 **Belarus political prisoners**

Tabled: 1/02/22 Signatories: 1

Tony Lloyd

That this House views with serious concern the fraudulent election in Belarus in August 2020 which led to widespread public demonstrations; notes that these demonstrations have been met by increasingly repressive measures by the governing regime; condemns the arbitrary arrests, use of extreme violence by security forces and allegations of torture and sexual violence in prisons; emphasises that there are now over 1000 political prisoners in Belarus; deplores the incarceration of so many women who have young children, including Volha Zalatar, Alena Maushuk, Tatsiana Kaneuskaya, Tatsiana Zverko, Ksenia Lutskina, Antanina Kanavalava, Iryna Schastnaya, Maryna Dubrouskaya, Iryna Harashyna, Alena Kurnysh, Yuliya Laptanovich, Palina Sharenda-Panasyuk, Volha Takarchuk, Tatsiana Astrouskaya, and Volha Filatchenkava; and calls on the Belarusian authorities to immediately release all political prisoners, especially women with children, and comply with its human rights obligations.

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.

War Pensions and Armed Forces Compensation payments

Tabled: 18/01/22 Signatories: 45

Owen Thompson Angela Crawley Hannah Bardell Ian Blackford Marion Fellows Carol Monaghan

Drew Hendry

That this House believes that the current process for claiming War Pensions and Armed Forces Compensation payments is not fit for purpose and drives many veterans to give up on claims, severely deteriorates many veterans' mental health, drives many into poverty, and increases the risk of suicides; applauds our veterans for the immense sacrifices they have made and believes that

all veterans deserve to be fairly compensated for injury, illness and death caused by their time in service; but is deeply concerned about the mental health impact on veterans of the complexity, lack of transparency and lack of impartiality in the process of putting in a claim, requesting a review of evidence and engaging with the War Pensions and Armed Forces Compensation Tribunal, which results in too many veterans not getting the level of payment they need and then facing complex processes in order to get an increase; believes that serious questions must be answered with regards to the use of Veterans UK medical assessors in assessing claims, in particular the practice of the same medical assessor assessing a veteran's claim at three separate stages of the process instead of separate assessors being used to ensure impartiality and a range of opinions; is deeply concerned by reports of medical evidence and paperwork being removed from veterans' evidence bundles by Veterans UK during the tribunal process; and calls on the Government to honour its duty of care to veterans by launching an independent inquiry into the failings of the current system.

864 Cervical Cancer Prevention Week

Dr Philippa Whitford Hannah Bardell Marion Fellows Allan Dorans Jim Shannon John Nicolson

Drew Hendry

That this House notes the week commencing 17 January 2022 is Cervical Cancer Prevention Week; recognises that, while not always easy, attending cervical screening allows diagnosis and treatment of Human Papilloma Virus, as well as early detection of Cervical neoplasia, and can therefore save lives; believes that no-one should feel alone or confused when receiving their cervical screening results; and highlights that Jo's Cervical Cancer Trust provides information and support and encourages Members to support that campaign to promote the vital importance of attending cervical screening.

865 Miscarriage leave and employment policy

Tabled: 18/01/22 Signatories: 39

Tabled: 18/01/22

Angela Crawley Hannah Bardell Allan Dorans Jim Shannon John Nicolson Paula Barker

Drew Hendry Ms Anum Qaisar

That this House believes that the Government should introduce a policy of paid miscarriage leave; is aware that the Government has so far been hesitant to introduce such a policy; notes that, in the UK, two weeks parental bereavement leave and pay is in place after stillbirth, however there is no such support for anyone who has experienced a miscarriage before 24 weeks of pregnancy; understands that miscarriage is an extremely traumatic experience and that more support should be provided to families that experience such a loss; considers unacceptable the Government's position that Statutory Sick Pay or annual leave are adequate compromises for a specific miscarriage leave provision; recognises that the provision of paid miscarriage leave is in line with the need to develop a more proactive approach to workplace health and wellbeing as expressed in the Taylor review of modern working practices; assesses that this issue should be viewed under the Taylor review's

ambition of fair and decent treatment in the workplace, including health and wellbeing protections in employment law which serves the wider public interest; and calls on the Government to include paid miscarriage leave in its upcoming Employment Bill.

866 East Lothian rowers cross the Atlantic in third place

Tabled: 18/01/22 Signatories: 21

Kenny MacAskill Jim Shannon Margaret Ferrier Douglas Chapman Joanna Cherry Ben Lake

Drew Hendry

Dave Doogan

That this House congratulates Ian Baird, Duncan Hughes, Ross McKinney, Fraser Potter and Clive Rooney of North Berwick Coastal Rowing Club, known as Five in a Row, for finishing in third place in the 2021 Talisker Atlantic Challenge; understands that the five men completed the 3000 mile journey from La Gomera in Spain to Antigua in the Caribbean in 36 days, 3 hours and 33 minutes, each taking turns to have two hours of sleep; notes that the group finished third out of thirty six boats, and describe the journey as the hardest thing they have ever done, as falling from the boat would have been fatal as the craft could not be turned around fast enough to find a crew member in the darkness; commends the fundraising efforts that the group made to get them to the starting line, with additional funds raised to be given to the charity Reverse Rett; and wishes the group the best of luck in their futures.

871 Holocaust Memorial Day

Tabled: 19/01/22 Signatories: 32

Ian Paisley Ian Mearns Sir Mike Penning Jim Shannon Hywel Williams Chris Law

Drew Hendry

That this House notes that on 27 January 2022 the UK will observe Holocaust Memorial Day marking the 77th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau, where an estimated 1.1 million Jewish men, women and children were murdered; commemorates the six million victims of the Holocaust and the millions of other victims of Nazi persecution; further notes that the House pays tribute to the commitment of Holocaust survivors and Kindertransport refugees who share their experiences with young people across the country; acknowledges the importance of the Holocaust Educational Trust's work in schools across the UK and in particular the Lessons from Auschwitz Project, which has so far given more than 41,000 students and teachers the opportunity to visit Auschwitz-Birkenau; welcomes the establishment of a permanent National Holocaust Memorial and Learning Centre adjacent to Parliament; pays tribute to the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust for organising the national Holocaust Memorial Day event; and urges all Right hon. and hon. Members to observe this day so that the appalling events of the Holocaust are always understood by future generations.

872 Removal of titles

Tabled: 19/01/22 Signatories: 16

Rachael Maskell Clive Lewis Dawn Butler Cat Smith Emma Hardy Kim Johnson

Martin Docherty-Hughes Grahame Morris Charlotte Nichols

Mick Whitley Tommy Sheppard

That this House acknowledges that geographically based titles can become an affront when an individual falls into disrepute; and calls on the Government to introduce a mechanism in law whereby geographically based titles can be removed in certain circumstances such as when the individual's associations, engagements or actions infringe the rights or safety of others, or are not in keeping with the ethical, social or economic values or interests of the place.

893 A wealth tax as an alternative to National Insurance increases

Tabled: 25/01/22 Signatories: 31

Richard Burgon lan Lavery John McDonnell Kate Osborne Bell Ribeiro-Addy Zarah Sultana

Ms Anum Qaisar

That this House calls on the Government to abandon its regressive plans for a 1.25 percentage point increase in National Insurance contributions; believes this will add to the cost of living crisis people are already experiencing as a result of big increases in energy bills, high inflation, real-term wage cuts and cuts to universal credit; and calls on the Government to replace the proposed National Insurance increase with taxes on the wealth of the richest one per cent.

895 Nature Recovery Networks

Tabled: 25/01/22 Signatories: 18

Mr Barry Sheerman Sammy Wilson Wera Hobhouse Claudia Webbe Jim Shannon Allan Dorans

Douglas Chapman Drew Hendry

That this House notes the importance of Nature Recovery Networks in combatting biodiversity loss in the UK; further notes the urgent need to take action that halts the alarming trend of biodiversity decline; welcomes the findings and recommendations of the House of Commons Environmental Audit Committee report, Biodiversity in the UK: bloom or bust, HC 136, June 2021; appeals to the Government to implement that report in full; gives particular emphasis to the need for Nature Recovery Networks to be given priority in building a healthier local environment; accepts gladly the provisions laid down in the Environment Act 2021 that mandate the creation of Local Nature

Recovery Strategies to act as a spatial planning framework for Nature Recovery Networks; reiterates the recommendations of the Environmental Audit Committee that far more detail is needed to translate this ambition into transformative action; believes that to be a successful policy approach the Government must develop a plan for ensuring that Local Nature Recovery Strategies are rolled out across the entire country and that they successfully evolve into a national network; calls on the Government to link environmental and planning policies into one coherent policy approach; and further calls on the Government to make a formal assessment of the ability of local authorities to deliver their Local Nature Recovery Strategies.

900 The death of former Celtic manager Wim Jansen

Tabled: 25/01/22 Signatories: 15

Brendan O'Hara Jim Shannon Richard Thomson Alan Brown Chris Law Patrick Grady

Angus Brendan MacNeil

That this House mourns the passing of Wim Jansen, footballer, manager and coach who has died at the age of 75; acknowledges the enormous contribution he made to European football as part of the Feyenoord side which won the Dutch league title four times between 1964 and 1975, the European Cup in 1970 and the UEFA Cup in 1974; notes that Jansen was a key part of the legendary Dutch international team which reached the final of the World Cup in both 1974 and again in 1978; recognises Jansen's importance to European football in the words of his teammate and friend Johann Cruyff who said of Jansen that he considered him to be one of only four people worth listening to when they spoke about football; also acknowledges the hugely significant part Win Jansen played in the history of Celtic Football Club when as manager he led his team to their first Scottish Premier League title in a decade following a dramatic last day victory over St. Johnstone in May 1998; and thanks Wim Jansen for all he did in a lifetime in football and conveys its deepest condolences to his family.

Providing financial restitution to women born in the 1950s

Tabled: 26/01/22 Signatories: 42

Ian Byrne Kim Johnson Wera Hobhouse Claudia Webbe Jim Shannon Beth Winter

Gavin Robinson Tommy Sheppard Kenny MacAskill

Mr Gregory Campbell

That this House welcomes the positive interventions from so many hon. Members from across the House on behalf of women born in the 1950s who have lost their pensions and pays tribute to constituents and campaigners in their ongoing fight for justice; recalls that women born in the 1950s were subject to discriminatory employment and pension laws; recognises that this included being excluded from some pensions schemes; further recognises that this had the negative effect for them of losing the opportunity to have the same level of pension as their partner or spouse; recognises that this has had the consequence of women in this position never being able to have equal pensions to men; notes that this has negatively and profoundly impacted on those women

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including leading to increased levels of poverty, deteriorating health and homelessness; further notes that at least 3.8 million women have been impacted by the loss of their pensions from the age of 60 in three separate age hikes; and calls on the Government to enact a temporary special measure as permitted by international law to provide full restitution to women born in the 1950s who have lost their pensions from the age of 60 because of the impact of the rise in retirement age.

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907 DH Robertson Butchers, Arbroath

Dave Doogan Jim Shannon Allan Dorans Patrick Grady Marion Fellows Chris Stephens

Douglas Chapman

That this House warmly congratulates Steve and Pam Bennet at DH Robertson butchers in Arbroath on their win at the Scottish Craft Butchers Awards 2022 becoming champions in the Best Link Sausage category; further congratulates DH Robertson on winning at the World Championship Scotch Pie Awards 2022 in three categories, a diamond medal in the Sausage Roll Category, gold medal in the Football Pie or Savoury Category for Arbroath FC and bronze medal in the Hot Savoury Category; notes that these awards are incredibly competitive and are judged by 60 independent industry experts and professionals; and offers best wishes in their future success as a multi-award winning butcher.

911 Stuart Delivery couriers

Grahame Morris Ian Lavery Kate Osborne Mick Whitley Nadia Whittome Dr Rupa Huq

Tony Lloyd Rebecca Long Bailey Ian Byrne

Bell Ribeiro-Addy

That this House notes with deep concern that key worker couriers working for JustEat subcontractor Stuart Delivery have seen their pay cut and working conditions deteriorate during the covid-19 pandemic, despite those key workers putting their own lives at risk and providing a vital service to the public; notes that couriers continue to be denied the basic workers' rights of minimum wage protections, holiday pay and pensions; further notes that the company is ultimately owned by La Poste, which is itself wholly owned by the French Government and thereby subsidised by French taxpayers; is appalled that key workers in the gig economy are provided no protection against poverty pay and unilateral changes to terms and conditions in their working relationships; is shocked that these workers, most of whom are from BAME and migrant backgrounds, have been refused the right to freely associate and protect their interests via collective bargaining, and have therefore been forced to take industrial action to challenge these conditions; and calls on Stuart Delivery to negotiate with those workers' chosen union the Independent Workers' union of Great Britain (IWGB), to rescind the recent pay cuts and to implement the minimum standards of pay and

conditions demanded by the IWGB in order to ensure those workers are not illegally denied their basic rights and are protected from being in working poverty.

70th anniversary of 2nd Cambusnethan Boys' Brigade Company

Tabled: 27/01/22 Signatories: 4

Marion Fellows Chris Law Patricia Gibson Allan Dorans

That this House congratulates 2nd Cambusnethan Boys' Brigade Company on reaching their 70th anniversary; recognises the excellent community work they has undertaken since they were founded on 12 November 1951; further recognises the excellent opportunity the Brigade provides local boys to get involved in their local communities and offer a safe and enjoyable environment to learn new skills and make new friends; commends the dedication of those working towards badges especially the Queen's Badge and wishes them every success in this endeavour; and further congratulates all of the Brigade's staff on their excellent work to support people in Wishaw and surrounding areas, particularly during this difficult year; and wishes them all the best for the future.

913 Local volunteer Nicole Watt

Tabled: 27/01/22 Signatories: 8

Marion Fellows Chris Law Steven Bonnar Amy Callaghan Patricia Gibson Jim Shannon

Douglas Chapman Allan Dorans

That this House commends Nicole Watt for the outstanding voluntary work she has done throughout the pandemic to raise much needed money for valuable local charities; notes that Nicole has fundraised for the Beatson Cancer Charity, MacMillan Cancer support, Children's Cancer and other local schools and community groups; recognises Nicole's dedication to this work alongside working full time as a teacher in a local school; and further congratulates her on her excellent work to support people in the community, particularly during this difficult year, and wishes her all the best for the future.

914 Elaine Hands, local foodbank volunteer, St Bernadette's Motherwell

Tabled: 27/01/22 Signatories: 9

Marion Fellows Chris Law Steven Bonnar Alison Thewliss Amy Callaghan Patricia Gibson

Douglas Chapman Allan Dorans

This House commends the work of Elaine Hands; recognises that, in addition to working full time as a teacher in a local school, she dedicates her Sundays to running a local foodbank based at St

Bernadette's Parish Church; further commends Elaine for helping hundreds of families in need in the local area and for providing materials and supplies herself; further notes the work she has done in conjunction with St Vincent de Paul to make up Christmas parcels for over 40 families; and further congratulates Elaine on her excellent work to support people in Wishaw and surrounding areas, particularly during this difficult year, and wishes them the best for the future.

915 South Wishaw Parish Church

Marion Fellows Chris Law Steven Bonnar Alison Thewliss Amy Callaghan

Patricia Gibson

Douglas Chapman Allan Dorans

That this House recognises the work of Reverend Terry Moran and all at South Wishaw Parish Church for the innovative community work they have been undertaking; commends them for the recent launch of the New Life Recovery Hub based in the Church in cooperation with Street Connect, a Glasgow based Christian charity; and further congratulates them for all their excellent work to support people in Wishaw and surrounding areas, particularly during this difficult year, and wishes them the best for the future.

919 Scottish Government spending on reserved matters

Tabled: 28/01/22 Signatories: 4

Tabled: **27/01/22**

Douglas Chapman John McDonnell Marion Fellows Allan Dorans

That this House praises the Scottish Government for investing £600 million in areas that would normally be regarded as reserved issues; notes this includes £83 million on Discretionary Housing Payments to mitigate the negative impact of the bedroom tax, and £102 million to improve digital connectivity infrastructure; acknowledges however that this money comes from finite budgets which need to be balanced against core spending in devolved areas; and calls on the UK Government to recognise the Scottish Government should not be required to spend Scottish taxpayers' money to undo the damage of policies made at Westminster.

920 Edna Clayton 101st birthday

Tabled: 28/01/22 Signatories: 12

Stewart Malcolm McDonald Carol Monaghan Patrick Grady Anne McLaughlin David Linden Alison Thewliss

Allan Dorans

That this House recognises that Edna Clayton, who moved into the Hector House facility in Shawlands last August, will be 101 years old on 31 January 2022; extends its birthday wishes to fun-loving Edna who is well-known figure around Battlefield and has dedicated her life to her son, James; regrets that Edna spent her milestone 100th birthday alone with no visitors, and no celebration; pays tribute to the staff at Hector House for organising a memorable birthday for Edna and for reaching out to the wider community; and once again wishes Edna a very happy 101st birthday.

921 Kids Operating Room 50th installation

Tabled: 31/01/22 Signatories: 2

Chris Law Allan Dorans

That this House congratulates Dundee-based charity Kids Operating Room on the delivery of their 50th operating room; notes that operating rooms have been delivered and installed in hospitals across Africa and Latin America; recognises that KidsOR works to support existing hospitals and healthcare professionals to expand their services; further recognises that through since their inception in 2018 they have increased annual capacity for safe surgery by 30,000 life-changing operations every year; and wishes KidsOR and their staff all the best for the future.

922 Zero-emission vehicles and air quality

Tabled: 31/01/22 Signatories: 2

Geraint Davies Mr Barry Sheerman [R]

That this House acknowledges as many as 64,000 premature deaths are associated with poor air quality every year; expresses sincere condolences to the family and friends of Ella Kissi-Debrah recognising the one year anniversary on the 16th December 2021 of the Coroner's verdict that air pollution was a cause in her death; recognises that vehicle emissions are a major source of air pollution in towns and cities across the country; notes with dismay reports that 4 vehicle manufacturers, Volkswagen, Toyota, Renault-Nissan and Hyundai-Kia have refused to sign the pledge to only sell zero-emissions vehicles by 2035; calls on all vehicle manufacturers previously found to have cheated emissions rules to provide adequate compensation to vehicle owners and users who were misled; recognises the need for a co-ordinated solution between all levels of Government and the private sector to mitigate against the negative health impacts of dangerous levels of air pollution; and further notes that the Government should make reference to the incontrovertible right to breathe clean air in any future legislation.

923 Anniversary of the death of Sir Norman Stronge

Tabled: 31/01/22 Signatories: 3

Jim Shannon Sir Mike Penning Mr Gregory Campbell

That this House notes the barbaric murder of Sir Norman Stronge and his son James, at their family home in Tynan Abbey, by the IRA on 21st January 1981; further notes Sir Norman's involvement in politics and his admirable determination throughout fighting in the First World War and the Battle of the Somme; notes the malice and evil intent by Provisional IRA Members, by the use of grenades to break into their family home, machine guns used to brutally murder the father and son and the burning of their home to the ground after the killings; remembers the heartfelt words of Her Majesty the Queen that Sir Norman's loyal and distinguished service would always be remembered; and notes Sir Norman's commemoration with a tablet in the Northern Ireland Assembly Chamber.

924 Antibiotics and research on the potential link to colon cancer risk

Tabled: 31/01/22 Signatories: 2

Jim Shannon Sir Mike Penning

That this House notes with concern recent research from Queen's University Belfast that taking antibiotics could increase the risk of developing colon cancer by as much as half in the under 50s, with older people also seeing a higher risk; further notes work undertaken by University of Aberdeen, where 40,000 people compared antibiotic use and lifestyle factors of those who had cancer and those who didn't, where antibiotic use was found to be associated with the development of colon cancer; highlights the importance of research into links with cancer; and thanks the work of the British Journal of Cancer who are actively working to reveal links between cancer and lifestyle choice.

925 Ban on snares campaign

Tabled: 31/01/22 Signatories: 6

Caroline Lucas Tim Farron Kenny MacAskill Wera Hobhouse Jonathan Edwards Martyn Day

That this House notes a 2016 motion calling for a ban on snares that was passed unanimously; further notes that, other than the promise of a Call for Evidence in the Government's Action Plan for Animal Welfare in May 2021, no further steps to this end have been taken; acknowledges the horror and cruelty resulting from the use of snares intended to trap wild animals; notes that snares are notoriously indiscriminate, catching, injuring and killing animals, including those not intended to be the target, such as badgers, rabbits, cats, dogs, lambs and deer; recalls the findings of the 2005 Independent Working Group on Snares which reported that it would be difficult to reduce the proportion of non-targeted animals caught to below 40 per cent; recognises a joint statement organised by Animal Aid, and signed by twenty-three other animal protection groups and academics, urging action to ban snares; and calls on the Government to outlaw the manufacture, sale, possession and use of all snares without further delay.

926 Rainbow Heartlands project by Pink Saltire

Tabled: 31/01/22 Signatories: 2

John Nicolson Allan Dorans

That this House recognises the important work of Pink Saltire in building and supporting the LGBT+ community in Scotland; commends the charity's efforts to tackle isolation and loneliness in LGBT+ rural communities; and wishes them luck with the Rainbow Heartlands project, beginning in February.

927 United Nations Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons

Tabled: 31/01/22 Signatories: 4

Patrick Grady Jonathan Edwards Allan Dorans Alan Brown

That this House notes 21 January 2022 marks the first anniversary of the entry into force of the United Nations Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons; regrets that the United Kingdom is neither a signatory of or a party to the Treaty; calls on the UK Government to abandon any plans or possibility of increasing the UK's nuclear arsenal, and instead take urgent steps to comply with the provisions of the Treaty and work towards nuclear disarmament at home and overseas.

928 Jennifer Dodds and the 2022 Winter Olympics

Tabled: 31/01/22 Signatories: 3

Christine Jardine
Jamie Stone
Mr Alistair Carmichael

That this House celebrates Jennifer Dodds of Edinburgh in competing in the 2022 Winter Olympics; notes that 2861 athletes from 91 countries have been selected for the 2022 games in Beijing; recognises the fantastic achievements of Jennifer throughout her career; acknowledges that she will be competing in both the women's team event and the mixed doubles event where she and Bruce Mouat are reigning world champions; further notes that Dodds and Mouat are the first GB athletes to compete in more than one curling event at the Olympics; wishes them both the best of luck and success; and congratulates all athletes selected for the 2022 Winter Olympics to represent Team GB.

929 Bearskin caps and the armed forces

Tabled: 31/01/22 Signatories: 6

Kirsten Oswald Patricia Gibson Margaret Ferrier John Nicolson Allan Dorans Alan Brown

That this House expresses its concern that the ceremonial bearskin caps worn by members of the armed forces, most notably at the annual Trooping the Colour parade, involve the unnecessary slaughter of black bears; notes that each bearskin ceremonial cap costs the Ministry of Defence over £1,700 and sees no possible excuse for taxpayers' money to be spent on ceremonial caps made

from the skins of bears gunned down for their fur when the overwhelming majority of the British public is opposed to the use of real fur in clothing; understands that the faux fur developed by animal rights charity PETA with leading faux furrier ECOPEL would enable the Ministry of Defence to replace the real bearskins with faux fur; welcomes the offer by ECOPEL to provide the Ministry of Defence with faux fur at no cost until 2030, saving many bears from slaughter and also saving the tax payer up to a million pounds; and calls on the Ministry of Defence to recognise that its continued use of real fur is not in line with the UK Government's commitment to have and promote the highest standards of animal welfare and that it is time to switch to faux fur for making these ceremonial caps.