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New EDMs

951 Winter Olympics team selection

Tabled: 7/02/22 Signatories: 1

Dave Doogan

That this House congratulates Hailey Duff from Forfar on her success in being selected to represent Team GB at the 2022 Winter Olympics in Beijing in Women's Curling; celebrates her achievements in her Curling career aged just 25 years old; recognises the tireless commitment of all 50 Team GB athletes, 19 of whom hail from Scotland; and further wishes Hailey and all Team GB athletes the best of luck in the upcoming celebration of winter sport.

952 Humanitarian crisis in Afghanistan

Tabled: 7/02/22 Signatories: 1

Mary Kelly Foy

That this House notes with grave concern recent reports in the media on the developing humanitarian crisis in Afghanistan, in particular traumatic stories of parents being forced into selling organs, and in some cases selling their own children, in order to feed their families; further notes that the United Nations' humanitarian coordinator projects 97 per cent of Afghans will soon be living below the poverty line; urges the Foreign Secretary to do everything within her power to support those struggling in Afghanistan including ensuring that all of the £286,000,000 promised in aid is sent to the country; echoes the call of former Prime Minister Gordon Brown for the UK Government to convene a pledging conference to raise the \$4.4 billion needed to fund vital support; commends the reporting of UK journalists in bringing these harrowing stories to the people of the UK; and calls on the Government to work collaboratively with allies around the world to ensure that the safety of all women in Afghanistan is secured.

953 Scotland Calcutta Cup winners 2022

Tabled: 7/02/22 Signatories: 1

Christine Jardine

That this House congratulates the Scotland rugby team on their historic victory over England in the Calcutta Cup on the 5 February 2022; acknowledges that they are the first Scotland team to retain the Calcutta Cup with back-to-back victories since 1984; notes the exemplary spirit in which the game was played, in front of a capacity Murrayfield crowd; and wishes the team the best for their remaining fixtures in the 2022 Six Nations Championship.

954 Statutory Sick Pay and a living wage

Tabled: 7/02/22 Signatories: 26

Nadia Whittome**Richard Burgon****John McDonnell****Clive Lewis****Caroline Lucas****John Cryer**

Ian Mearns

Yasmin Qureshi

Ian Lavery

Ms Diane Abbott

Marsha De Cordova

Tahir Ali

Dr Rupa Huq

Paula Barker

Mick Whitley

Jeremy Corbyn

Claudia Webbe

Emma Hardy

Kim Johnson

Mohammad Yasin

Apsana Begum

Andy McDonald

Kate Osborne

Bell Ribeiro-Addy

Rachael Maskell

Geraint Davies

That this House expresses its concern at Statutory Sick Pay (SSP) being at its lowest level since 2003, according to research by the TUC; notes that SSP is worth £3 per week less in real terms now than it was at the start of the pandemic; believes that no-one should be forced to choose between self-isolating and paying their bills; further believes that adequate sick pay is a vital public health tool within a pandemic; considers that the Government's failure to expand and increase SSP has had a devastating impact on the health and well-being of some low-paid workers; and therefore calls on the Government to remove the lower earnings limit, so that every worker is entitled to SSP, and to increase the value of Statutory Sick Pay to at least that of the Real Living Wage as determined by the Living Wage Foundation.

955 Diesel particulate filter efficiency tests

Tabled: 7/02/22 Signatories: 1

Mr Barry Sheerman

That this House notes the challenge to public health caused by roadside air pollution, in particular fine and ultra-fine combustion generated particles; urges the Government to observe best practice globally with regards to mitigating harmful levels of air pollution and to be guided by effective, evidence-based policies; recognises that Diesel Particulate Filters are very efficient at capturing polluting particles, but when damaged can lead to the emission of dangerous particulates; commends the Netherlands for introducing a Diesel Particulate Filter efficiency test as part of its Periodic Technical Inspections test; urges the Government to also introduce an efficient element in the diesel particulate matter section of the MOT based on particulate mass or number metrics; and calls on the House to support the Motor Vehicle Tests (Diesel Particulate Filters): Ten Minute Rule Motion which would make provision for efficiency testing of Diesel Particulate Filters.

956 Steelstown Brian Ógs and the All-Ireland Intermediate Football Championship

Tabled: 7/02/22 Signatories: 1

Colum Eastwood

That this House congratulates Steelstown Brian Ógs Gaelic Athletic team for their victory on Sunday 7 February 2022 to become All-Ireland Intermediate Champions, recognises the immense contribution of all those involved in the club, past and present, since its establishment in 1987 and its continued growth; notes that team's victory 3-14 to Trim's 2-5 displays their ability, skill and determination; further notes that the team has made their city, county and sport proud with football being alive and well in Derry City; and further recognises that the Gaelic Athletic Association plays a hugely important role in the health and wellbeing of communities across Ireland and Britain, forming a focal point for communities to come together in the interest of sport.

957 70th Anniversary of Her Majesty the Queen's Accession

Tabled: 7/02/22 Signatories: 8

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

Paul Girvan

Carla Lockhart

That this House congratulates Her Majesty the Queen on the 70th Anniversary of her accession to the throne in 1952; notes with thanksgiving the immense service that Her Majesty has provided to our nation as the Head of State for all of these years; and wishes our Sovereign good health and happiness as she continues to reign over this United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for many years to come.

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.

883 Campaign for an Osteogenesis Imperfecta national awareness month

Tabled: 24/01/22 Signatories: 25

Chris Law
Joanna Cherry
Jim Shannon
Sir Peter Bottomley
Allan Dorans
Carol Monaghan

Steven Bonnar

That this House recognises the Brittle Bone Society's campaign to mark the month of May as the National Awareness Month for Osteogenesis Imperfecta (OI); notes that OI is a genetic bone disorder characterised by fragile bones that affects a person from birth; recognises that around

5,000 people across the UK are affected by the condition; celebrates the work of the Brittle Bone Society, who offer a variety of support to those affected, including but not limited to practical assistance; believes that a national awareness month would help raise awareness among the general public of the condition; and calls on the Government to back the campaign and officially recognise May as the National Awareness Month for OI.

897 World Cancer Day 2022

Tabled: 25/01/22 Signatories: 21

Patricia Gibson
Apsana Begum
Claudia Webbe
Jim Shannon
Paul Girvan
Jonathan Edwards

Grahame Morris

That this House notes that 4 February 2022 is World Cancer Day which aims to raise awareness, improve education and call for nations to work together to tackle cancer globally; understands that one in two people will develop cancer in their lifetime and recognises that early detection of cancer is crucial in improving the chances of effective treatment results; supports measures to assist in reducing tobacco and alcohol consumption and to tackle obesity, which may assist in the prevention of one in three cancers; believes that no-one should feel alone or confused when being diagnosed with cancer and commends the work of Cancer Research UK and its volunteers, who provide invaluable information and support to those diagnosed with cancer and their families; and calls for increased investment in cancer research to save lives and allow more people living with cancer to lead fuller, healthier and happier lives as we look forward to a future without cancer.

900 The death of former Celtic manager Wim Jansen

Tabled: 25/01/22 Signatories: 17

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

Grahame Morris

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 Wim 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.

908 One year anniversary of the military coup in Myanmar

Tabled: 26/01/22 Signatories: 40

Rushanara Ali
Dame Margaret Hodge
Kim Johnson
Jim Shannon
Mick Whitley
Kenny MacAskill

Allan Dorans

Lloyd Russell-Moyle

Patricia Gibson

That this House, on the one year anniversary of the military coup that took place on 1 February 2021 in Myanmar (Burma), condemns the crimes against humanity perpetrated by the Myanmar military against the people of Myanmar; stands in solidarity with the Burmese people opposing the military coup; notes in horror the increased attacks by the military in ethnic areas including Chin, Karenni and Karen State over the recent months which includes the burning of people alive, torching of villages and killings of children; demands an urgent stop to the attacks; demands the release of all political prisoners; welcomes the UK Government's condemnation of the coup and the introduction of targeted economic sanctions on military businesses; calls for further economic sanctions targeting military revenues; further calls for sanctions on aviation fuel to ground military bomber jets; calls on the Government to increase its efforts to encourage other countries to introduce unilateral arms embargoes; further calls on the Government to increase cross-border aid through local organisations working directly with the people affected by the military attacks; and calls on the Government to join the Rohingya genocide case at the International Court of Justice to secure justice for the Rohingya genocide, and to publicly support the referral of the situation in Myanmar to the International Criminal Court.

911 Stuart Delivery couriers

Tabled: 27/01/22 Signatories: 27

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

Ian Mearns
Ms Diane Abbott

Andy McDonald

Jon Cruddas

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.

921 Kids Operating Room 50th installation

Tabled: 31/01/22 Signatories: 15

Chris Law
 Allan Dorans
 Rachael Maskell
 Carol Monaghan
 Douglas Chapman
 Mhairi Black

Steven Bonnar

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.

927 United Nations Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons

Tabled: 31/01/22 Signatories: 14

Patrick Grady
 Jonathan Edwards
 Allan Dorans
 Alan Brown
 Rachael Maskell
 Beth Winter

Caroline Lucas

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.

929 Bearskin caps and the armed forces

Tabled: 31/01/22 Signatories: 28

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

Caroline Lucas
 Yvonne Fovargue
 Amy Callaghan

Kenny MacAskill
 Liz Saville Roberts
 Sir George Howarth

Christina Rees
 Hywel Williams

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.

931 Siblings in the care system

Tabled: 1/02/22 Signatories: 18

Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck
Rachael Maskell
Jim Shannon
Paula Barker
Ian Lavery
Kim Johnson

Emma Hardy

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: 13

Kirsty Blackman
Jim Shannon
Jonathan Edwards
David Linden
Douglas Chapman
Anne McLaughlin

Amy Callaghan

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: 17

Kirsten Oswald
Kirsty Blackman
Paula Barker
Jonathan Edwards
Anne McLaughlin
John McDonnell

Amy Callaghan

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.

937 Charlie Wardrope at the UK Youth Climbing Series Grand Final

Tabled: 1/02/22 Signatories: 6

Owen Thompson
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans
Patrick Grady
Marion Fellows
Anne McLaughlin

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.

940 World Interfaith Harmony Week

Tabled: 2/02/22 Signatories: 9

Kirsten Oswald
Allan Dorans
Jonathan Edwards
Rachael Maskell
Patrick Grady
Hywel Williams

Marion Fellows

That this House notes that the United Nations has decreed the first week of February of every year as World Interfaith Harmony Week, which aims to promote harmony between all people regardless of their faith; notes that the week is based on United Nations General Assembly Resolution A/65/PV.34, which was passed in 2010 and calls for a worldwide week of interfaith harmony; joins the United Nations in recognising the need for dialogue among different faiths and religions to enhance mutual understanding, harmony and co-operation among people; welcomes the events taking place during World Interfaith Harmony Week 2022, such as the webinar on Protection of Mother Earth through Mindfulness and Prayer, organised by Interfaith Scotland in partnership with Mindfulness for Earth and Faith for Earth; and encourages all people of faith to spread the message of interfaith harmony and goodwill in the world's churches, mosques, synagogues, temples and other places of worship during this week and throughout the year according to their own religious traditions or convictions.

941 Investment in Scotland's electric vehicle charging network

Tabled: 2/02/22 Signatories: 6

Douglas Chapman
Allan Dorans
Chris Law
Angela Crawley
Marion Fellows
Anne McLaughlin

That this House supports the Scottish Government's aim to double the size of its electric vehicle charging network over the next four years; notes a £60 million fund has been created to advance this aim; recognises the important role electric vehicles and their associated infrastructure will play in decarbonising Scotland's transport network; and commends the example Scotland is setting in taking these vital steps.

942 Tribute to Warren Graham

Tabled: 2/02/22 Signatories: 5

Alan Brown
Allan Dorans
Chris Law
Marion Fellows
Anne McLaughlin

That this House expresses both its condolences and celebration of the life of Warren Graham, known as the Killie Piper, who died tragically at the age of 17; pays tribute to his fantastic talent as a bagpiper and enthusiasm for his local community; notes that he was a keen supporter of Kilmarnock Football Club and played bagpipes for the club; further notes the minute's applause for him by supporters of Kilmarnock FC during the game against Inverness Caley Thistle and the piping

tribute for him from fellow Kilmarnock Pipe Band member Connor McBlane; notes that Warren played regularly at civic events for East Ayrshire Council and that Warren was a keen supporter of Scottish independence; recognises that Warren will be sadly missed by all and sends deepest condolences to all his family and friends; and further recognises that suicide rates in Scotland are still tragically high and urges people having difficult thoughts to discuss their feelings and to reach out for assistance.

946 Thameslink, Southern and Great Northern franchise

Tabled: 3/02/22 Signatories: 14

Lloyd Russell-Moyle
Barry Gardiner
Kate Osborne
Dawn Butler
Grahame Morris
Bell Ribeiro-Addy

Caroline Lucas

That this House is deeply concerned at reports that the Department for Transport may sign a National Rail Contract with Govia Thameslink Railways to run the Thameslink, Southern and Great Northern franchise; notes that Govia, the majority shareholder of Govia Thameslink Railways, was stripped of the Southeastern franchise in September 2021 following a serious breach of the franchise agreement's good faith obligation in relation to financial matters; further notes that, at the time, the management of Southeastern and of Govia Ltd were effectively the same people; notes with concern that the DfT has allowed the investigation into this scandal to be conducted by the owning group, Go-Ahead Group plc, despite the DfT's view that Go-Ahead and London and South Eastern Railway (LSER) were aware that HS1 money was due to the Department and that LSER were continuing to minimise the risk of detection by the Department; notes with deep concern that there has been no independent or public scrutiny of this scandal; notes that the Operator of Last Resort has prepared a subsidiary company to take over the Thameslink, Southern and Great Northern franchise; believes that under no circumstances should the DfT award any new contract to the Go-Ahead Group or any of its subsidiaries; and calls on the Department to instruct the Operator of Last Resort to take over the franchise and run it in the public sector.

948 May Miller's 103rd birthday

Tabled: 3/02/22 Signatories: 6

Ms Anum Qaisar
Patrick Grady
Allan Dorans
Marion Fellows
Amy Callaghan
Anne McLaughlin

That this House notes and celebrates Airdrie and Shotts resident May Miller who turned 103 on 22 January 2022; notes that she celebrated her birthday in Airdrie where she has lived for many years; highlights that May is a valued and highly regarded member of the local community; and sends May all the very best wishes.

949 Prison violence

Tabled: 3/02/22 Signatories: 16

Grahame Morris
Gordon Henderson
Liz Saville Roberts
Kenny MacAskill
Paula Barker
Mary Kelly Foy

Caroline Lucas

Jonathan Edwards

That this House notes with alarm the rapid increase in prison violence over the last decade, with levels of assaults peaking in 2019 before a partial reduction during the covid-19 pandemic lockdowns; further notes that rehabilitation is practically impossible inside violent prisons, meaning that offenders can leave prison more damaged and dangerous than when they arrive; welcomes the new Prisons Strategy White Paper as an opportunity to tackle both prison violence and the causes of prison violence as urgent priorities; believes the White Paper's framework of key performance indicators should include violence against prisoners and staff as crucial metrics for judging management performance; further believes penalties for failing these metrics should include management fines, with this money used to improve prison staff injury compensation schemes; insists that rebuilding staff experience is key to reducing violence, and that improving the pay, terms and conditions of prison staff is a vital first step to solving the current recruitment and retention crisis; calls on the Government to adopt the proposals for safer systems of work in the Safe Inside Charter from the Joint Unions in Prisons Alliance, a coalition of nine national trade unions representing prison workers; and further calls on the Government to accept the pay review body's recommendation of a £3,000 pay rise for entry-level prison officers, to halt plans for new private prisons until it is better understood why they are disproportionately more violent than public prisons, and to bring the pension age of prison officers back down to 60.

950 Sauchie Community Group 30-year anniversary

Tabled: 3/02/22 Signatories: 6

John Nicolson
Patrick Grady
Allan Dorans
Marion Fellows
Amy Callaghan
Anne McLaughlin

That this House recognises the 30-year anniversary of the Sauchie Community Group; commends the group's tireless work since 1992, providing support through the covid-19 pandemic, helping families with young children, organising events for people with dementia and creating a sensory community garden to name a just few; notes in particular the contribution of Keith Turner and Nancy Pollock, who were founding members of the committee and are still serving today; finally, wishes Sauchie Community Group every success in their next 30 years.