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Early Day Motions tabled on Monday 21 February 2022

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New EDMs

981 Heriot-Watt University support to improve the lives of stoma bag wearers

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Signatories: 1

Joanna Cherry Martyn Day Dr Philippa Whitford

That this House welcomes the invaluable support of the Medical Device Manufacturing Centre (MDMC) led by Heriot-Watt University in enabling start-up company Confidence Plus Ltd to introduce its new product ConfiPlus to a clinical setting as quickly as possible; notes that ConfiPlus has been developed to address the common problem of stoma bag leakage which leads to significant embarrassment and anxiety for stoma bag wearers; understands that one in every 400 people in the UK undergoing a surgical procedure has a stoma bag to create an opening in the body to discharge waste and that this new invention is specifically designed to contain leakages which helps to restore confidence and independence to all stoma bag wearers; notes that ConfiPlus is the first company in Scotland to use the new tool, developed by the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) to prepare a healthcare technology assessment document; further understands that the MDMC at Heriot-Watt offers free support to SMEs, as a way of supporting healthcare innovation in Scotland and beyond; and hopes that ConfiPlus will help transform the lives of millions of ostomate patients throughout the world.

982 West Park United FC's Boot Room Appeal in partnership with The Brunswick Centre

Amy Callaghan

That this House congratulates West Park United FC's efforts to give back to the community via their 2021 Boot Room Appeal, in partnership with The Brunswick Centre; understands that West Park United FC put an appeal out for used football boots which would be recycled free of charge

to anyone who needed them before the festive period; acknowledges how important it is that people of all ages have access to equipment they need to engage in sport; notes the success that West Park United FC's Boot Room appeal has had in getting more young people into sport; further notes this appeal is one of many positive local community projects the club has engaged in to give back to those in need; looks forward to seeing what more the club will achieve for people across East Dunbartonshire in the future; and thanks them for all their efforts to support families and young people.

983 Care workers and vaccination as a condition of employment

Tabled: 21/02/22 Signatories: 1

Paula Barker

That this House notes that vaccination as a condition of deployment within health and social care would deepen the existing staffing crisis and pose an existential threat to the NHS and our social care system; notes that tens of thousands of residential care workers have lost their jobs since November 2021 when vaccination became a condition of deployment within CQC-registered care homes in England; believes that any review and revocation of vaccination as a condition of deployment within health and social care should apply retrospectively and ensure that care workers who have been dismissed or left employment due to compulsory vaccination do not suffer loss or detriment; and therefore calls on the Government to ensure that care workers have the right to be re-employed in their previous role, including protection of continuity of service, and provide appropriate funds to compensate workers for loss of earning and any pension losses.

Vivien Currie MBE appointed as Chief Executive of Ascot Racecourse

Tabled: 21/02/22 Signatories: 1

Angela Crawley

That this House congratulates Vivien Currie on her appointment as the first ever female Chief Executive of Ascot Racecourse; understands Vivien will leave her current role as Chief Executive of Hamilton Park Racecourse in April 2022, becoming Chief Executive designate at Ascot in the lead up to the delivery of Royal Ascot in the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Year, before taking over as Chief Executive on 30 June 2022; acknowledges that Vivien's role as Chief Executive at Hamilton Park since 2008 has included construction of a £10 million on-site hotel, growing the racecourse into an all-year-round hospitality and racing resort destination; commends Vivien on her exceptional leadership, especially during the coronavirus pandemic which brought difficult challenges to the horse racing and hospitality sectors; recognises that Vivien was also non-executive director of the Racecourse Association from 2010-2016 and Director of the British Horseracing Authority from 2016-2019; notes that Vivien received a MBE in 2020 for services to racecourse management, business, and charity; applauds Vivien as an inspiring business leader, particularly in sectors traditionally dominated by men, including football, where she was Chief Executive of Livingston Football Club; and wishes Vivien well in her new prestigious role at Ascot.

985 Accessibility improvements by the Save Wemyss Ancient Caves Society

Tabled: 21/02/22 Signatories: 1

Peter Grant

That this House recognises and commends the efforts of volunteers of the Save Wemyss Ancient Caves Society (SWACS) for their work in making the Wemyss Caves more accessible to those who are less mobile; highlights the funding secured from Scottish charity Paths for All, that made this important work possible; recognises the national historical significance of the site where carvings on the walls of some of the caves are thought to date back to the Bronze Age, with many others being connected to the Pictish Period; notes that the new all-weather pathway has been laid to Court Cave which had previously been out of bounds to mobility scooter and wheelchair users but has now opened up access; thanks volunteers for their additional work in removing graffiti, erecting information signs and for their ongoing programme of improvements intended to further widen access and to help people to learn about the historically significant site; thanks the volunteers of SWACS for all of their efforts in improving accessibility to the Wemyss Caves; and wishes them all the best for the opening of the new path on 27 February 2022.

986 Inverurie Junior Agricultural Club's 90th anniversary

Tabled: 21/02/22 Signatories: 1

Richard Thomson

That this House notes Inverurie Junior Agricultural Club will mark the 90th anniversary of its formation this year; recognises the prominent part the club has played in the Scottish Association of Young Farmers' Clubs; understands that hundreds of people involved in farming have been part of the club over its nine decades of existence; further recognises that Junior Agricultural Clubs and Young Farmers Clubs provide a valuable social network full of opportunities to meet new people, share new experiences and develop personal skills; commends those involved in Inverurie Junior Agricultural Club for helping it reach this significant milestone; and wishes the club and its members continued success in the years ahead.

987 LGBT+ history month 2022

Tabled: 21/02/22 Signatories: 1

Wera Hobhouse

That this House recognises Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) history month 2022; states its belief in a free society where every person's rights and liberties are protected; commits to continuing to campaign for the LGBTQI+ community to be able to go about their lives without fear or discrimination; fosters diversity; celebrates LGBT rights activists who have advocated for greater civil rights; and calls on the Government to tackle inequalities in health services, ban conversion therapy and promote acceptance and tolerance of the LGBT+ community around the world.

988 Team GB Curling at the 2022 Winter Olympics

Tabled: 21/02/22 Signatories: 1

Christine Jardine

That this House celebrates the success of Great Britain's curlers at the 2022 Winter Olympics, following Eve Muirhead's women's team, winning gold and Bruce Mouat's men's team, winning silver; appreciates this is the first time both GB Curling teams have each won a medal at a single Olympics; acknowledges the contributions of Edinburgh's Jennifer Dodds and Bruce Mouat in their first Olympics; further acknowledges the role played by Edinburgh Curling in the success of British

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team in Beijing as well as aiding the next generation of British curlers; and calls on the Government to continue to support and fund UK sport.

989 Team GB Curling at the 2022 Winter Olympics (No. 2)

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David Mundell

That this House wholeheartedly congratulates the Great Britain's Women's Curling Team of Eve Muirhead, Vicky Wright, Jennifer Dodds, Hailey Duff and Mili Smith on winning the gold medal at the Winter Olympics; congratulates the Great Britain Men's Curling Team of Bruce Mouat, Grant Hardie, Bobby Lammie, Hammy McMillan and Ross Whyte on winning the silver medal at the Winter Olympics; recognises the work of David Murdoch as coach of both teams and his association with Lockerbie Ice Rink which has played such an important part in the development of curling in Scotland; notes that the gold medal victory, in particular, marks the first British Winter Games curling gold medal for 20 years; welcomes the fact that the teams will be bringing Olympic medals back to the birthplace of curling; and believes that these spectacular victories should be used to encourage others around the UK, especially young people, to take up the sport.

990 Cyprus

Layla Moran

That this House believes that Cyprus will best succeed as an independent and reunited state, in line with UN Security Council Resolutions and High Level Agreements, on the basis of reconciliation and equality for the fundamental rights of both the Greek and Turkish Cypriot communities; calls for the two communities to reach an agreement on the reunification of Cyprus; further urges that such an agreement must respect the rule of law and fundamental rights of all Cypriots; believes that the internationally recommended model of a bi-zonal, bi-communal federation with political equality, with a federal government with single international sovereignty and citizenship, is the best way to achieve this; further believes that positive engagement between the two sides and communities should be the first step to mutually acceptable agreement on the security needs of both Cypriot communities; urges all parties to seek a just and sustainable resolution to this long-running dispute which has caused such misery over so many years; and stands ready to support the new UN Special Representative in his work should the circumstances present themselves for a new set of negotiations.

991 Team GB Women's Curling Team winning Olympic Gold

Tabled: 21/02/22 Signatories: 1

Dave Doogan

That this House recognises the outstanding achievement of Team GB Women's Curling Team on bringing home Gold at the Winter Olympics 2022 in Beijing; congratulates all five Scottish athletes, Hailey Duff, Vicky Wright, Eve Muirhead, Jen Dodds and Mili Smith for their impressive win over the 2018 Bronze medallists Japan; notes the intense pride felt in Scotland, in Dumfries, Edinburgh and especially so in Tayside, over this win; further recognises the extraordinary professionalism of the team under intense pressure, winning 10-3 in an extremely tense final; commends the years of dedicated training and competition which contributed to this Olympic success; and further congratulates all of Team GB on their achievements ahead of and during the Winter Olympics 2022.

992 York City Knights

Tabled: 21/02/22 Signatories: 1

Rachael Maskell

That this House thanks the former Chief Executive of the York City Knights, Jon Flatman, and the staff and players for their work in helping secure the future of the Knights; congratulates the Club on their successes since Mr Flatman took over ownership, including securing the League One title in 2018 and their appearance at Wembley Stadium for the first time in 90 years in the 1895 Cup final; acknowledges the smooth transition made to the LNER Community Stadium and the growth of York City Knights Ladies; welcomes the arrival of the Rugby League World Cup to York this year; recognises the work that has been done to promote inclusivity and physical and mental wellbeing in the community through the work of the York City Knights Foundation with people of all ages and abilities; and sends good wishes to Mr Flatman for the future as well as continued success for the Knights, both on and off the field.

993 Universities' staff pensions

Tabled: 21/02/22 Signatories: 15

Geraint Davies
Hilary Benn
Beth Winter
Ian Byrne
Ian Mearns
Andy McDonald

Paula BarkerKate OsborneBell Ribeiro-AddyRachael MaskellMick WhitleyJohn McDonnellMr Virendra SharmaYasmin QureshiLloyd Russell-Moyle

That this House notes that the University and College Union (UCU) and members are in industrial dispute over a prospective cut in pension entitlement for lecturers of 35 per cent; further notes that the University Superannuation Scheme (USS) was last valued during the 2020 pandemic and needs re-evaluation to account for its recovery; notes that the UCU has proposed an interim settlement pending re-evaluation that would entail staff paying an additional 1.4 per cent, and universities 2.6 per cent into the USS; notes that the employers' organisation is consulting on this proposal; recognises that industrial action is already estimated as costing £5 billion; and calls upon the Government to provide funding for the less wealthy universities that cannot afford these increases in order that the dispute may be resolved through negotiation and that university pensions become fair and sustainable.

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.

Signatories: 6

959 World Book Day 2022

Tabled: 8/02/22 Signatories: 22

Valerie Vaz Kim Johnson Paula Barker Apsana Begum Dan Carden Patricia Gibson

Claudia Webbe

That this House congratulates World Book Day on celebrating its 25th Anniversary on 3 March 2022; commends its success in distributing 15 million book tokens annually in places of education; notes that reading for pleasure is the single biggest indicator of a child's future success; further notes that the British economy could be £30 billion larger by 2030 if every child left primary education with the reading skills they need; recognises the importance of children from all backgrounds having the opportunity to choose and own a book; and welcomes World Book Day's campaign to inspire more children to think of themselves as readers.

960 Don Revie petition

Richard Burgon Apsana Begum Jim Shannon Jeremy Corbyn Ian Lavery Claudia Webbe

That this House notes the petition organised by the Leeds United Supporters Network calling on the Football Association to apologise to Don Revie's family after imposing a 10 year ban on him after his resignation as England manager in 1977; notes that Mr Revie won multiple domestic and European honours as a manager with Leeds United; recognises Mr Revie's achievement as one the very few players to be named both Footballer and Manager of the Year, and also recognises that without Don Revie, many of the innovative aspects of the modern game would not exist; notes that instead of being lauded as one of the footballing greats for his achievements and revolutionary ideas, the FA's imposition of a ban on Mr Revie has done untold damage to his reputation; and believes that a full apology should be issued to Mr Revie's surviving family.

973 Miscarriage leave in Northern Ireland

Tabled: 9/02/22 Signatories: 22

Tabled: 8/02/22

Angela Crawley Jim Shannon Alison Thewliss Jonathan Edwards Claire Hanna Allan Dorans

Mhairi Black Paula Barker

That this House congratulates the Northern Irish Assembly on passing legislation to allow paid leave for workers who have suffered a miscarriage; understands provisions to offer statutory paid leave for mothers and their partners should they experience baby loss before 24 weeks of pregnancy are contained in Article 112EF of the Parental Bereavement (Leave and Pay) Bill; notes the Bill passed

its final stage in Stormont on 7th February 2022 and is due to receive Royal Assent; appreciates that the provision for paid miscarriage leave will come into force no later than April 2026 following a public consultation; recognises that Northern Ireland will be the first place in Europe to introduce paid miscarriage leave in line with recent legislation in New Zealand and Australia; understands there are currently no specific statutory rights in the UK to allow paid leave for those who have experienced miscarriage, ectopic or molar pregnancy; and calls on the UK Government to introduce Paid Miscarriage Leave UK-wide in its proposed Employment Bill.

974 Upholding human rights in the UK

Tabled: 9/02/22 Signatories: 26

Grahame Morris Bell Ribeiro-Addy Rebecca Long Bailey Ian Mearns Mick Whitley Mary Kelly Foy

Kenny MacAskill

That this House notes that the Human Rights Act 1998 gives expression to values that are fundamental to the way of life in the UK, such as protecting the right to protest, freedom of expression and respect for privacy; is concerned by warnings from human rights organisations such as Amnesty UK, Justice and Liberty that the Government is undermining basic rights and liberties enshrined in the Act; notes with alarm that the Human Rights Act Review is taking place within the context of a series of other legislative moves by the Government to enhance the power of the Executive, including measures to curtail judicial reviews, which will reduce scrutiny of Government behaviour and opportunities for legal redress; believes that any growth in Declarations of Incompatibility with the provisions of the European Convention on Human Rights would lead to lengthy delays in human rights concerns being addressed and restrict access to justice; and therefore calls on the Government to continue to uphold human rights and ensure that everyone can seek timely redress in the UK courts if rights are breached.