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# Early Day Motions tabled on Tuesday 22 March 2022

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### **New EDMs**

1109 Alcohol strategy (No. 2)

**Grahame Morris Dan Carden** 

Tabled: 22/03/22 Signatories: 2

That this House notes that ten years have passed since the last Alcohol Strategy was published on 23 March 2012; recalls that, although the Government announced plans for a new strategy on 8 May 2018, this was not forthcoming; recognises that, since then, the initiatives of the Alcohol Charter, published on 16 October 2018 by APPGs and the Commission on Alcohol Harm report, published on 19 April 2021, provided an informed and widely supported basis for a new strategy; notes with concern that approximately 70 people in the UK die every day from an alcohol-related cause; and calls on the Government to prioritise the introduction of a new comprehensive alcohol strategy without further delay.

# 1110 NICE guideline on endometriosis diagnosis and management

Tabled: 22/03/22 Signatories: 1

### Hannah Bardell

That this House urges the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) to review and update guideline NG 73 on endometriosis diagnosis and management and to begin the process of doing so before the end of 2022; notes that endometriosis affects one in ten women and those assigned female at birth from puberty to menopause although the impact may be felt for life; further notes that lengthy diagnosis times and lack of treatment options can negatively impact both the physical and mental health of those with endometriosis; recognises that while NICE guideline NG 73 outlines a baseline of care for endometriosis there are gaps in it that need addressing, including but not limited to improving pain management for pharmacological and non-pharmacological approaches, endometriosis outside the pelvic cavity and mental health support; highlights that the European Society of Human Reproduction and Embryology (ESHRE) published a

new updated European guideline on endometriosis on 2 February 2022, which includes extensive review of recent research and other evidence and makes some new recommendations not covered by NG 73; notes that NICE usually reviews guidelines every five years and in September 2022 it will be five years since the guideline was published and that it remains unamended since publication; and calls on the Department of Health and Social Care to ask NICE to update guideline NG 73.

### 1111 Access to telemedical abortion care beyond September 2022

Tabled: 22/03/22 Signatories: 1

# **Bell Ribeiro-Addy**

That this House is dismayed by Government plans to end the availability of telemedical abortion care services for early medical abortions up to 9 weeks and 6 days gestation, beyond September 2022; notes that access to this temporary service during the covid-19 lockdowns was crucial to ensuring that women needed an abortion were still able to access vital women's health services; further notes that the availability of at-home abortion pills has halved women's waiting times for abortion services and has dramatically reduced the risk of women choosing to access abortion medications illegally or using unsafe methods of termination; is outraged by this Government's decision to roll-back on women's reproductive rights; agrees with the Chief Executive of the British Pregnancy Advisory Service (BPAS) that should the Government proceed to end this service it would be a shameful betrayal of women and a decision devoid of both evidence or justice; and calls on the Government to make permanent the temporary telemedical abortion care introduced during the covid-19 pandemic.

### 1112 Registration of deaths after a public inquiry

Tabled: 22/03/22 Signatories: 1

### Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck

That this House notes the urgent need to amend legislation to allow grieving families the choice to register the death of a loved one after a public inquiry; highlights the heartbreaking case of Liam Curry and Chloe Rutherford from South Shields who were tragically murdered in the Manchester Arena terror attack in May 2017 and whose parents are being denied the chance to register the death of their own precious children; further notes that for many families, registering a death may be a vital step in their grieving process, especially in cases of an unexpected and traumatic death that results in an inquiry; and calls on the Government to put bereaved families at the heart of inquiries by listening to their needs and making the necessary changes to this important issue.

### 1113 Launch of Local Women's sports magazine in Northern Ireland

Tabled: 22/03/22 Signatories: 4

Mr Gregory Campbell Carla Lockhart Claire Hanna Alison Thewliss

That this House notes the launch in Northern Ireland of the first ever regional female focused standalone sports magazine, giving coverage on a localised basis to women in a range of sporting codes and disciplines; commends the management and staff of the Local Women brand on the vision and initiative they have shown to launch the monthly magazine; and wishes the project well for the future.

### 1114 Health inequalities for patients with sickle cell disease

Tabled: 22/03/22 Signatories: 1

### **Dr Lisa Cameron**

That this House welcomes the All-Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia's report, No One's Listening, which highlighted the growing burden of sickle cell disease in the UK; notes that the report revealed a pattern of several years of sub-standard care, stigmatisation and lack of prioritisation which have resulted in deep failings in the care sickle cell patients receive; agrees with the view that severe health inequalities are associated with the long-standing lack of investment in sickle cell research and new medicines; is concerned about delays in the introduction of a health inequalities modifier, which would allow treatments for conditions where inequalities are a concern, such as sickle cell, to be more readily approved, following the conclusion of the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence's (NICE) methods and processes review; calls on the Government to implement the recommendations of the APPG on Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia's report in full; and encourages the Government to actively engage with NICE to ensure work on the introduction of a health inequalities modifier is prioritised with clear timelines.

# **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.

1049 Cost of living

Tabled: 8/03/22 Signatories: 30

Jon Trickett Dan Carden Jim Shannon Grahame Morris Rachael Maskell Jeremy Corbyn

Richard Burgon

That this House expresses its deepest concerns about the explosion in the cost of living and its impact on millions of working people across the country, with Ofgem announcing that the energy price cap will rise by £693 to £1,971 per year on 1 April 2022, a 54 per cent rise; further notes a rise of up to 13 per cent in the lowest paid workers' National Insurance contributions from April 2022, together with increases in council tax and the highest levels of inflation for nearly 30 years; sadly notes wage growth has been stagnant for 15 years and looks set to stay that way, with the average person losing £1,000 in real terms in 2022 alone; particularly notes Resolution Foundation's report showing people are facing the worst fall in living standards since the 1970s; highlights that food prices have increased, since 2010, by 27 per cent and childcare costs by 50 per cent, placing strain on millions of families; shares concerns that despite the decline in quality of privatised transport, bus and rail fares are up 50 per cent on average; also acknowledges the struggle faced by private renters, with average annual rents up £2,000 since 2010; notes with regret that this cost of living crisis will be compounded by the war in Ukraine and many families will be pushed deeper below the poverty line; and urges the Government to act immediately to tackle the cost of living crisis by ensuring that those with the broadest shoulders contribute more.

### 1050 The future of Gaelic language media

Tabled: 8/03/22 Signatories: 15

Mr Alistair Carmichael Kevin Brennan Jamie Stone Christine Jardine Wendy Chamberlain Jonathan Edwards

### Richard Burgon

That this House notes the important cultural and economic contribution that minority language broadcasting contributes to the communities it serves and the UK's wider creative economy; recognises that there is a vital opportunity to use the Government's upcoming Broadcasting White Paper to tackle shortcomings in the current legislative status for Gaelic broadcasting; and urges the Government to provide a clear statutory basis for Gaelic language public service media, putting it on an equal footing with Welsh language broadcasting.

### 1053 Treatment of workers following closure of Dawnfresh factory, Uddingston

Tabled: 8/03/22 Signatories: 20

Ian Mearns
Ian Lavery
Kate Osborne
Mick Whitley
Kim Johnson
Jim Shannon

### Richard Burgon

That this House condemns the treatment of 200 loyal staff of Dawnfresh Seafoods Ltd following the closure of the Uddingston site near Glasgow as a result of the company being put into administration; notes that Dawnfresh, one of the UK's largest fish and seafood processors, was owned by billionaire Alastair Salvesen, one of the richest people in Scotland; further notes at as a result of the site closure, the workers were denied the opportunities they had been promised to either transfer to the company's Arbroath site, recently upgraded with extensive public subsidies, or negotiate redundancy terms; is scandalised that whilst Salveson prioritised the recovery of his private art collection from the site, the workers from the Bakers, Food and Allied Workers Union found their employment terminated without notice and without receiving wages they were owed, forcing people into such financial jeopardy that they fear being forced to turn to food banks; and therefore calls on the Government to urgently review and reform the legal framework which allows such callous treatment of workers.

Signatories: 12

#### 1063 **Insourcing Merseyrail cleaners**

Tabled: **10/03/22** Signatories: 23

Tabled: **14/03/22** 

**Dan Carden Charlotte Nichols** Kim Johnson **Mick Whitley** Paula Barker Ian Byrne

Richard Burgon

That this House believes that the pandemic has demonstrated beyond doubt the essential nature of cleaning and cleaners on public transport; notes that outsourcing these workers has delivered low pay, exploitation, disputes and corner-cutting in the drive to create profits; further notes that Mitie's contract with Merseyrail comes to an end next year; believes that insourcing would create better jobs with fairer pay and make it easier to drive improvements in service quality; and urges Merseyrail to sit down with the RMT union and work up a fully-costed proposal to bring these key workers in-house.

#### 1068 Right to roam

**Caroline Lucas** Liz Saville Roberts Dan Carden **Kate Osborne** 

Richard Burgon

**Clive Lewis** John McDonnell

That this House notes that 24 April marks the 90th anniversary of the mass trespass onto Kinder Scout; acknowledges that this trespass united the campaign for access to the countryside and eventually contributed to the establishment of the UK's first national parks through the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949; recognises the growing body of evidence demonstrating the importance of access to nature for health and wellbeing which has been highlighted by the covid-19 pandemic when use of parks and public green spaces increased; is concerned that people from ethnic minorities or with low incomes are less likely to live near green space and 2.7 million people in the UK have no publicly accessible green space within easy walking distance from their home; notes that the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 only provides access to 8% per cent of English land, and that the public can only access 3 per cent of rivers in England and Wales; acknowledges that legislation in Scotland and European countries including Norway provides for a much greater right to roam; believes that extending the right to roam to cover more landscapes and recreational activities would improve the public's connection to nature whilst also delivering on the Government's commitment in the 25 Year Environment Plan to open up the mental and physical health benefits of the natural world; and calls on the Government to bring forward legislation to extend the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 to include rivers, woods and Green Belt land.

### 1071 Response to Ukraine emergency

Tabled: 14/03/22 Signatories: 4

Mr Gregory Campbell John McDonnell Paul Girvan Jim Shannon

That this House recognises the appalling circumstances faced by millions of people in Ukraine and in countries affected by the Russian invasion, commends the outstanding efforts made by many individuals to help in whatever way they can; calls on the Government in conjunction with other governments to step up their military assistance to Ukraine to support their efforts to defend their sovereign territory; and further calls on the Prime Minister to ask Christian churches in the UK and beyond to convene a day of prayer for a peaceful outcome in Europe and across the world.

### 1072 Regulation and support for off-grid households

Tabled: 15/03/22 Signatories: 15

Helen Morgan
Jim Shannon
Jonathan Edwards
John McDonnell
Christine Jardine
Wera Hobhouse

Ben Lake Liz Saville Roberts Hywel Williams

That this House recognises the millions of rural homes that are off the UK's national gas grid network; acknowledges that many of those homes buy fuel from oil, LPG and solid fuel markets; notes with concern that there is no regulation of those markets; calls for similar financial protection to the existing energy price cap on gas and electricity for off-grid households from high prices; and urges the Government to provide financial assistance to insulate those properties and enable the transition to renewable energy sources.

### 1073 Ukrainian students

Tabled: 15/03/22 Signatories: 11

Claudia Webbe lan Lavery Jim Shannon Steven Bonnar John McDonnell Deidre Brock

Apsana Begum

That this House laments Russia's unprovoked, unjustifiable and abhorrent invasion of Ukraine; believes that no good can ever come from war and military escalation; calls on the international community to redouble its efforts to find a diplomatic solution that ensures peace and protects lives; calls on the Government to urgently provide a simple sanctuary route to the UK for all who need it, for the Home Secretary and Foreign Secretary to coordinate with the UN and with neighbouring countries to offer urgent humanitarian assistance to those crossing the border; further calls on the Government to provide safe passage and refuge for displaced people, refugees and asylum seekers arriving from Ukraine as well as all theatres of conflict across the globe; is deeply alarmed by worrying reports that thousands of Asian and African immigrants joining Ukrainians trying to flee the country have faced red tape, racist abuse and discrimination at the

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border; recognises that many of the African and Asian refugees fleeing this crisis are students; calls on the UK education sector to make funds available for disrupted courses to be transferred to UK institutions, and encourage their European counterparts to do the same; commends the heroic efforts of people like medical student Korrine Sky from Leicester who have documented their plight and that of African and Asian refugees fleeing the conflict; and calls for the international community to ensure that there is absolutely no discrimination between all people fleeing this appalling invasion.

Tabled: **15/03/22** 

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### 1075 Train cab temperatures

John Cryer
Paula Barker
Marsha De Cordova
Kim Johnson
Grahame Morris
Cat Smith

Richard Burgon

That this House notes with concern the Better Driving Cabs report published by the train drivers' union, Aslef, which highlights the health and safety concerns of excessively hot and cold temperatures, including findings such as 85 per cent of drivers saying that their cabs have been too hot in the past two years and 72 per cent of respondents having experienced cabs that were too hot for most of their working week in warmer seasons; further notes that, when asked if exposure to hot or cold temperatures had caused harmful effects, 50 per cent of those responding said that it had, with the vast majority experiencing reduced concentration or distraction; believes that excessively hot or cold temperatures affects many workers in a range of industries and calls on the Government to work with unions to implement maximum workplace temperature legislation and a temperature at which mitigation must be introduced to try to prevent harmful effects.

# 1076 Visa and housing schemes for Afghans and Ukrainians

Sir Peter Bottomley
Jim Shannon
Steven Bonnar
Christine Jardine
Ben Lake
Caroline Lucas

Apsana Begum

That this House welcomes the modernised open-hearted visa and housing schemes for Ukrainians; and calls on Government to introduce as many elements of those schemes as possible and appropriate to Afghans.

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#### 1077 **Lancaster District Community and Voluntary Solutions**

Tabled: **15/03/22** Signatories: 3

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**Cat Smith** Jim Shannon **Richard Burgon** 

That this House congratulates Lancaster District Community and Voluntary Solutions on securing funding to continue its important work building and supporting communities across the Lancaster District; notes the crucial support that the charity offers to over 500 individuals and organisations in offering financial planning, training and capacity building for charities and voluntary sector leaders; welcomes the development of the Lancaster District Volunteer Centre which seeks to build resilience and trust in the local communities as they move forward from the covid-19 outbreak; commends the work of the charity's Community Action Networks which seek to build cohesion and sustainability across local communities and wishes Lancaster District Community and Voluntary Solutions, under the leadership of Yak Patel, very well as they endeavour to help local people and organisations achieve their dreams and goals.

#### 1080 Veteran homelessness

Wendy Chamberlain Jim Shannon Jonathan Edwards John McDonnell **Christine Jardine** Layla Moran

Allan Dorans

That this House welcomes the Government's commitment to end veterans' rough sleeping by the end of 2024; recognises the excellent work that organisations such as Alabaré, Launchpad, Riverside and Stoll do in providing veterans with the specialist support they need to address complex needs and promote independent living; and calls on the Government to provide the long-term sustainable funding needed to ensure the provision of specialist supported housing for veterans who are at risk of homelessness.

#### 1081 **Purple Day 2022**

**Dr Lisa Cameron Allan Dorans** Jim Shannon **Alison Thewliss** Jonathan Edwards John McDonnell

**Douglas Chapman** 

That this House notes that Saturday 26 March 2022 is Purple Day, International Epilepsy Awareness Day; understands that epilepsy is the most common chronic neurological condition with an estimated 55,000 people living with epilepsy in Scotland and that approximately eight people per day are diagnosed with the condition; recognises that Purple Day is an opportunity to get people talking about epilepsy and dispel the myths and stigma attached to the condition; and further

highlights that Epilepsy Scotland will be encouraging people to dress in purple and light landmarks and buildings purple to mark the day.

### 1083 Conduct of Wabtec Rail Ltd

Tabled: 16/03/22 Signatories: 6

Richard Burgon lan Mearns Grahame Morris Rachael Maskell Apsana Begum lan Lavery

That this House notes with alarm reports that Wabtec Rail Ltd, based at the historic Doncaster New Erecting Shop, birthplace of the world-famous Flying Scotsman and Mallard locomotives, is making 80 jobs redundant and forcing staff to re-apply for their jobs on inferior terms and conditions; condemns this cruel attempt to fire and rehire staff, a shameful abuse of employment law that risks the livelihoods and living standards of skilled rail workers across the Doncaster and South Yorkshire region; notes that this threat to jobs, pay, terms and conditions follows 12 months of negotiations with the RMT union seeking a solution to the financial problems faced by the company, following previous significant job losses at the Doncaster site; calls on Wabtec to withdraw this threat and instead return to the negotiations table with the RMT union; and further calls on the Government to outlaw the unethical and shameful practice of fire and rehire as a matter of urgency.

### 1085 Support for disabled Ukrainian refugees

Tabled: 16/03/22 Signatories: 14

Wera Hobhouse Layla Moran Tim Farron Jamie Stone Christine Jardine Wendy Chamberlain

Jim Shannon Richard Burgon

That this House supports the international humanitarian effort to support the people of Ukraine; commits to continuing to campaign to provide sanctuary and asylum to those fleeing the devastating war in Ukraine; expresses concern for disabled people's rights and safety in Ukraine; notes with concern that provisions are not in place for disabled refugees in attempting to leave Ukraine and those attempting to seek refuge in the UK; and calls on the Government to ensure that disabled Ukrainians arriving in the UK are fully supported, including through immediate access to disability benefits.

### 1086 Young Carers Action Day

Tabled: 16/03/22 Signatories: 12

Paul Blomfield Wera Hobhouse Caroline Lucas Mohammad Yasin Rachael Maskell Hywel Williams

Jim Shannon Apsana Begum Richard Burgon

That this House supports Young Carers Action Day, led by the Carers Trust, which takes place on 16 March 2022; recognises the invaluable contribution more than 800,000 young carers make to their families and local communities across the UK; notes the Day's theme of Taking Action on Isolation, and the importance of investment in social care, and in local support for carers, to relieve young carers of the overwhelming pressure so many are under; further notes that the NHS needs to ensure its mental health services prioritise young carer support and that education providers need to take a more integrated approach to identifying and supporting young carers, working in partnership with the NHS, local authorities and local carer organisations; and calls on the Government to ensure that young carers get the support and services they need.

# 1087 VAT on petrol and diesel

Tabled: 16/03/22 Signatories: 7

Patricia Gibson Allan Dorans Jamie Stone Angela Crawley Marion Fellows Jim Shannon

**Douglas Chapman** 

That this House observes with concern the ongoing increase in fuel prices across Scotland and the UK, with the cost of petrol and diesel in the UK hitting an all-time high; notes that the Government announced at the recent Autumn Budget that fuel duty rates will remain frozen at 57.95 pence per litre; highlights that drivers are charged a further 20 per cent in Value Added Tax (VAT) on petrol and diesel including fuel duty, resulting in drivers effectively being double-taxed, with increased transportation costs being passed on to consumers and inflation further accelerated; is mindful that this is taking place against the backdrop of the covid-19 recovery and a further significant increase in energy costs as of 1 April 2022; is aware that rises in fuel quickly feeds into the overall cost of living as hauliers pass on their extra outlays to customers; understands that the Treasury is in receipt of billions of pounds in additional revenue as receipts from VAT on fuel at forecourts rockets and other prices rise, accelerating inflation; and endorses the calls on the Government from petrol retailers to halve VAT on fuel to ease pressure on consumers and alleviate the very real difficulties households and businesses currently face.

### 1089 Standing charges on energy bills

Tabled: 16/03/22 Signatories: 12

Patricia Gibson Allan Dorans Jonathan Edwards Angela Crawley Rachael Maskell Marion Fellows

Jim Shannon Douglas Chapman Hywel Williams

Liz Saville Roberts Ben Lake

That this House is deeply concerned about the rising costs of energy bills and the severe financial pressure this is placing on households across the UK; is alarmed that standing charges on energy bills could constitute as much as around one quarter of the entire energy bills of those consumers whose energy consumption is low; is concerned that many energy companies have recently increased their standing charges by more than 100 per cent, with some consumers paying as much as 51p per day standing charge for electricity, a charge applied regardless of the amount of power used; understands this will disproportionately and significantly impact on the poorest households; and urges the Government to introduce single unit pricing and to scrap standing charges on energy bills and instead introduce a system of single unit pricing so that consumers are more easily able to compare costs charged by energy providers in a clear and transparent way.

# 1090 Rutherglen Bankhead Tenants and Residents Association

Tabled: 16/03/22 Signatories: 3

Margaret Ferrier Patricia Gibson Allan Dorans

That this House congratulates the Rutherglen Bankhead Tenants and Residents Association on their 30 year anniversary in March 2022; notes that they are one of the longest running associations in South Lanarkshire; recognises their long-standing and excellent contribution to their community, and their work to provide a voice to, and empower, the residents they serve; further recognises the contributions of the Association's current chair, Carol Nisbet; and wishes them the very best in their future work.

### 1091 War on Want's report on McDonald's tax affairs

Tabled: 17/03/22 Signatories: 22

John McDonnell Chris Stephens David Linden Liz Saville Roberts Apsana Begum Zarah Sultana

Jim Shannon Jonathan Edwards Ian Lavery

Richard Burgon Ian Mearns

That this House is disturbed by the findings of the Secrets and Fries report published on 17 March 2022 by War on Want, which exposes a circular, paper transaction by McDonald's which it alleges has the primary purpose of reducing McDonald's tax obligations by creating a UK tax shelter for its global franchise income; notes that report further alleges that mechanism could be depriving the UK exchequer of at least £295 million in public funds over ten years without having any corresponding economic substance; further notes that McDonald's UK business received extensive public subsidies in the wake of the covid-19 lockdowns, not least through the Eat Out to Help Out scheme, whilst continuing to increase its market share in the UK and continuing to pay dividends to its shareholders; notes with regret that after seeing their tax affairs in Luxembourg and Singapore come under scrutiny McDonald's have moved their intangible fixed asset to the City of London to allegedly take advantage of the UK's lax intangible fixed asset regime; therefore calls on the Government to rigorously review its tax breaks mechanisms, including those that interact with the UK's intangible fixed asset regime, and ensure that the full costs and benefits of all tax rules for all companies, including large multinationals, are properly reported; and further calls on the Government to scrap any tax rules which cannot be justified by their effects on the UK economy, society and the environment.

### 1092 Detention of academics, scholars and students in Belarus

Tabled: 18/03/22 Signatories: 10

Chris Law
Rachael Maskell
Allan Dorans
Marion Fellows
Jonathan Edwards
Jim Shannon

Ben Lake Hywel Williams Liz Saville Roberts

That this House condemns the actions of the Belarusian authorities in detaining academics, scholars and students; notes deep concern over the detention of individuals such as Maryja Robokov and Yahor Kanetski who were arrested for their involvement in peaceful protests following the 2020 Presidential Elections as part of widespread calls for free and fair elections in Belarus; expresses concern that the Belarusian authorities are clamping down on opposition and dissenting voices, most notably those in academic institutions who are opposed to the current regime; calls on the UK Government to go further in their condemnation of the Belarusian Government, and advocate for the immediate and unconditional release of Maryja Robokov, Yahor Kanetski, and other detained students; and further calls on the UK Government to create a safe humanitarian channel for those released from Belarusian detention, or in danger from reprisals, to access humanitarian visas in order to flee further persecution in Belarus.

### 1093 Fife Council and the Miscarriage Association's Pregnancy Loss Pledge

Tabled: 18/03/22 Signatories: 13

Peter Grant
Angela Crawley
Patricia Gibson
Hywel Williams
Ben Lake
Liz Saville Roberts

**Douglas Chapman** 

Wendy Chamberlain

That this House commends Fife Council on being the first local authority in the UK to sign up to the Miscarriage Association's Pregnancy Loss Pledge to tackle the stigma associated with miscarriage; supports the campaign which wants to introduce paid leave for families who experience a miscarriage before 24 weeks; notes that the campaign aims to improve support for parents who experience miscarriage by encouraging work environments where employers show empathy and understanding towards people and their partners experiencing pregnancy loss; further notes that the pledge encourages workplaces to introduce a pregnancy loss policy or guidance, which is included in sickness, bereavement or other workplace policies; and congratulates Fife Council in leading the way on this matter and hopes that other local authorities will follow suit to support this important campaign to ensure that employees are fully supported in the event that they experience pregnancy loss.

# 1094 St Patrick's Primary School Ukraine Appeal

Tabled: 18/03/22 Signatories: 5

Ms Anum Qaisar Allan Dorans Marion Fellows Jim Shannon Richard Burgon

That this House congratulates St Patrick's Primary School, Shotts on their student led appeal organised by Primary five pupils to collect items for a Ukraine Appeal; understands the pupils have collected, sorted and arranged for donations to be available to Ukrainian people and Ukrainian refugees; and commends them on their campaign motto, Humanity still has the ability to work together to build a common home.

### 1096 Fashion-workers Advice Bureau Leicester

Tabled: 18/03/22 Signatories: 4

Claudia Webbe Jim Shannon Ian Lavery Richard Burgon

That this House welcomes the launch of the Fashion-workers Advice Bureau Leicester (FAB-L), formerly known as L-GWASP (Leicester Garment Workers Advice and Support Project), a grassroots initiative to tackle wage exploitation in Leicester's garment industry; considers this as vital due to the fact that, despite endemic exploitation being widely studied for over a decade, painfully little Government action has been taken to protect garment workers in Leicester; recognises as essential FAB-L's mission to prevent the exploitation of vulnerable workers through awareness raising, disrupting exploitative practices, and protecting the rights of workers by promoting decent work; praises FAB-L's holistic approach, which in addition to issues of low wages, under-payment, poor

health and safety work conditions also promotes access to welfare and benefits advice, and offers support with poor living conditions, overcrowding, immigration and legal advice, domestic violence and harassment and form filling and letter writing; further praises FAB-L's outreach community workers and the wide range of agencies - including the Ethical Trading Initiative, Labour Behind the Label and the Trade Union Congress – who will provide support, advice and assistance to garment workers; wishes FAB-L every success in building a vibrant and supportive community hub to combat the culture of neglect and exploitation that has been allowed to fester for far too long; and calls on the Government to match this grassroots initiative with a comprehensive policy agenda to end exploitation in Leicester's garment industry.

# 1097 Restoration of Everton library

Tabled: 21/03/22 Signatories: 5

Dan Carden Jim Shannon Apsana Begum Richard Burgon Ian Mearns

That this House commends the community-led campaign to restore and repurpose Everton Library, opened as a public library and Technical Institute in 1896, as a thriving community hub; commits to protecting this Grade II-listed landmark building and publicly-owned asset; regrets that it was ever allowed to fall into a state of disrepair; welcomes that remedial work has started to preserve it from further deterioration; supports plans to revive Everton Library as a multi-use public space to create, learn and exchange on the rich, local heritage; and believes that the successful restoration of Liverpool's Jewel on the Hill would instil pride in the area, generate green jobs and stand as a beacon of community-driven regeneration.

1099 Social Security

Tabled: 21/03/22 Signatories: 8

Keir Starmer Jonathan Ashworth Alison McGovern Vicky Foxcroft Ms Karen Buck Sir Alan Campbell

lan Lavery lan Mearns

That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Universal Credit and Jobseeker's Allowance (Work Search and Work Availability Requirements - limitations) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (S.I., 2022, No. 108), dated 7 February 2022, a copy of which was laid before this House on 7 February 2022, be annulled.

### 1100 100,000 orphaned children in Ukraine

Tabled: 21/03/22 Signatories: 5

Dr Lisa Cameron Allan Dorans Jim Shannon Richard Burgon Marion Fellows

That this House condemns acts of aggression against Ukraine and reports of war crimes and crimes against humanity, supports the calls from the United Nations and the International Court of Justice for Russia to suspend the hostilities, commends the response and generosity of neighbouring countries that opened their doors to millions of Ukrainians fleeing the war, and remains concerned that close to 100,000 orphaned children are reportedly left behind in Ukraine; and calls on all countries, including the UK, to work together to identify ways to urgently evacuate and assist the orphaned children and find a safe home for them.

# 1104 Cerebral palsy awareness month

Tabled: 21/03/22 Signatories: 9

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Signatories: 5

Dr Lisa Cameron Allan Dorans Jim Shannon Mary Kelly Foy [R] Apsana Begum Douglas Chapman

Dr Philippa Whitford Alison Thewliss Marion Fellows

That this House notes that March is cerebral palsy awareness month; supports removing the barriers faced by the adult cerebral palsy community, including in accessing healthcare services and progressing in the workplace; welcomes the publication of the third report of the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Cerebral Palsy entitled Barriers for adults with Cerebral Palsy on achieving full lift participation: access to healthcare services and progressing at work; is grateful for the contributions of those who submitted evidence for that report; further welcomes the recommendations contained within that report; and calls on the Government to implement the recommendations in that report at the earliest opportunity.

### 1105 Uprating benefits

Hywel Williams Jim Shannon Jonathan Edwards Richard Burgon Allan Dorans

This House welcomes the call of over 50 major charities and organisations for benefits to be increased by at least 7 per cent in April to help households cope with rising costs of living; notes that prices are rising at the fastest rate in 30 years, and energy bills alone are expected to rise by 54 per cent in April; is concerned that the value of universal credit for families will fall by £570 per year on average and that 400,000 people could be pulled into poverty by the upcoming real-terms cut to benefits; further notes that families with children in poverty face paying £35 per month in extra energy costs through spring and summer, as well as £26 per month in additional food costs; recognises that the erosion of the value of benefits through policies such as the benefit cap, the

benefit freeze and other deductions has resulted in a profound mismatch between what those on low incomes have, and what they need to get by; and calls on the Government to tackle this gap, beginning with a uprating of at least 7 per cent to benefits in April.

### 1106 South Lanarkshire's Provost Awards 2022, Rutherglen and Cambuslang

Tabled: 21/03/22 Signatories: 4

Margaret Ferrier Jim Shannon Douglas Chapman Allan Dorans

That this House congratulates the winners of this year's Provost Awards in Rutherglen and Cambuslang, South Lanarkshire; commends Patricia Ponzi for her environmental works to improve greenspace and biodiversity in Overtoun Park and litter picks in Rutherglen, David O'Neill for his community activism work on a variety of local issues, Sharon Anderson for her impressive volunteer work, Nicole Digruber for setting up Friends of Fernbrae Meadows, through which she has organised litter picks and worked with local schools, Andy Rundell for establishing the community-led Eastfield United Football Team and its associated fundraising efforts for charity, Linda Wallace for her contributions to Cambuslang Community Council and founding of Cambuslang in Bloom and Maureen Lewis for her extensive contributions to the local community spanning the last 16 years; and wishes all winners the very best in future voluntary works.

### 1107 Fernhill School's Golden Jubilee

Tabled: 21/03/22 Signatories: 3

Margaret Ferrier Jim Shannon Allan Dorans

That this House notes that March 2022 marks Fernhill School in Rutherglen's Golden Jubilee, and fifty years of the schools academic achievements; congratulates the school's teachers, staff and students on this anniversary; notes the school's rich community history, when the original school was marked for closure in 1971, and was reopened in 1972 following the formation of a committee of parents to keep the school open; further notes the school's motto of With One Heart and One Mind; commends the school's core values of mutual respect, humility, and personal responsibility; recognises the emphasis on students' practice of their faith through charitable works, Caritas and The Pope Francis Faith Award; and wishes the school the very best in its academic future.

### 1108 Hear to Listen service

Tabled: 21/03/22 Signatories: 6

Alison Thewliss Patrick Grady Jim Shannon Allan Dorans Carol Monaghan Marion Fellows

That this House congratulates all those involved in the Hear to Listen service based at the University of Strathclyde Students' Union in Glasgow; notes that the service, which was established in September 2021, is delivered by trained student volunteers offering informal, friendly, and confidential wellbeing support on a one-to-one basis, in person and online, and a safe space where

students can find someone to talk to, to offload their worries, or be signposted to additional support if needed; further notes that the service is staffed by over 120 student volunteers, from 30 countries and all years and areas of study in the University, helping provide both in-person and online support every day of the week, during term and holiday times; welcomes the collaboration between the service and the Pursuit of Happiness project, based in New York, an initiative of a group of psychologists and educators dedicated to the advancement of scientific knowledge about happiness and depression prevention, with the volunteers being the first students from a university in Scotland to undertake training by the project; and wishes the Hear to Listen service all the best for the future.