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## Early Day Motions tabled on Friday 15 July 2022

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### New EDMs

#### 297 Political and economic situation in Sri Lanka

Tabled: 15/07/22 Signatories: 2

**Ed Davey**  
**Sarah Olney**

That this House notes the developing political and economic crisis in Sri Lanka; acknowledges the widespread corruption and economic mismanagement at the hands of the Rajapaksa government that led to protests in the first place; recognises that the economic solution needed to address this situation must be coupled with political reform that involves all minority groups and includes accountability for human rights abuses and atrocities which have been carried out against Tamils; notes the allegations of human rights abuses levelled against Gotabaya Rajapaksa; urges the International Criminal Court to fully investigate those claims; and calls on the Government to work with its international partners to press for peaceful political reform in Sri Lanka.

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#### 298 June Aitken

Tabled: 15/07/22 Signatories: 1

**Kirsty Blackman**

That this House welcomes the contribution made by June Aitken, senior charge nurse for The Archie Foundation at Aberdeen Neonatal Unit; commends her 36 years of dedication to supporting families in the neonatal unit, alongside participating fundraising and volunteering on the charity's committee; thanks her for all her hard work and commitment; and wishes her a wonderful retirement.

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**299 Scotland's Seas**Tabled: **15/07/22** Signatories: **1****Douglas Chapman**

That this House supports the celebration of Scotland's sea area which accounts for 55 per cent of the total sea area of the UK; recognises the importance and value of our coastal communities in terms of fish, aquaculture, tourism, shipbuilding, energy and maritime sectors; and further supports the call that the overall stewardship and fiscal responsibility for this resource rich sea area should lie solely with the Scottish Government.

**300 John Stevenson of Lochaber Mountain Rescue Service**Tabled: **15/07/22** Signatories: **1****Ian Blackford**

That this House congratulates John Stevenson after a remarkable 41 years of service with Lochaber Mountain Rescue Team; recognises the level of affection that John is held in by his colleagues, the wider community and the many people that he has rescued during his service; acknowledges that, having spent 12 years as deputy leader of the Lochaber team and a further 12 as the outright leader, his contribution to saving so many lives is staggering; notes that John has taken part in as many as 3000 rescues during his service, a breath-taking contribution to the saviour of life throughout the mountaineering community; realises that John will rightfully be officially recognised as the exceptional individual that he is; and thanks him for the service that he has provided to so many throughout his journey with the Lochaber Mountain Rescue Team.

**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.

**241 International Co-operatives Day**Tabled: **4/07/22** Signatories: **12**

**Chris Stephens**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Douglas Chapman**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Hywel Williams**

Chris Law

That this House notes that 2 July 2022 marks the 100th International Day of Co-operatives; further notes that this year's theme is 'Co-operatives Build a Better World' – echoing the theme of the UN International Year of Co-operatives a decade ago, which showcased the unique contribution of co-operatives to making the world a better place; acknowledges that co-operatives and mutuals are a form of business owned and run by members and that they can help develop communities and the economy; further acknowledges that the earliest record of a co-operative comes from Fenwick, Scotland in 1761 when local weavers formed the Fenwick Weavers' Society, and in modern form they have existed since 1844, when cotton mill workers in Rochdale formed the Rochdale Society of Equitable Pioneers; and recognises the importance of the co-operative sector in Scotland,

particularly in community energy, and the key role co-operatives will have in ensuring that net zero targets are met.

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## 242 Community Action Award for Aberfeldy-based Feldy-Roo

Tabled: 4/07/22 Signatories: 5

Pete Wishart  
Jim Shannon  
Allan Dorans  
John Nicolson  
Chris Law

That this House congratulates Feldy-Roo on winning the Community Action award at the Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations (SCVO) 2022 Scottish Charity Awards; understands that the Community Action award commemorates community-led groups and organisations who are making a big difference to a small community; recognises that Feldy-Roo is an Aberfeldy-based initiative founded by Gavin Price to feed elderly and isolating people by preparing and delivering meals seven days a week; believes that the contributions by Feldy-Roo have been invaluable to people across Perth and North Perthshire; welcomes the ongoing success of SCVO's annual Charity Awards; and notes the important role the event plays in highlighting the incredible efforts of organisations and individuals across Scotland's voluntary sector.

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## 247 Millersneuk Primary School pupils and Euroquiz finals

Tabled: 4/07/22 Signatories: 5

Amy Callaghan  
Jim Shannon  
Allan Dorans  
John Nicolson  
Chris Law

That this House congratulates the team of primary six pupils from Millersneuk Primary in Lenzie, East Dunbartonshire on reaching the final of the prestigious Euroquiz competition; notes that the team had earned their place in the national finals by winning the East Dunbartonshire heats in March; understands the final, held in the Scottish Parliament debating chamber, saw 29 school teams take part with Millersneuk finishing in joint fourth place; congratulates the team and everyone involved at Millersneuk primary on this tremendous result; praises the hard work and support of the primary 6 pupils and their teachers; thanks them for being excellent ambassadors for East Dunbartonshire; and looks forward to seeing what more they will achieve in future.

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## 249 Colgrain Primary School, Helensburgh, and UNICEF's Ukraine Appeal

Tabled: 4/07/22 Signatories: 6

Brendan O'Hara  
Jim Shannon  
Allan Dorans  
Anne McLaughlin  
John Nicolson  
Chris Law

That this House congratulates the pupils of Colgrain Primary School in Helensburgh who raised £4,722 for UNICEF's Ukraine Appeal by taking part in a sponsored walk around the school's grounds; notes that pupils from every class participated in the event, with the youngest nursery-school pupils

walking two-and-a-half miles, those in P1 to P3 each covering five miles, while pupils in P4 to P7 walked 10 miles each; notes that the pupils were moved to help their Ukrainian counterparts after seeing distressing images of the effect the war was having on Ukraine's young people; and thanks head teacher Pauline Walsh and all her staff for organising the event and, as a UNICEF Rights Respecting School, for all they do in putting the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child into practice within the school, giving the pupils of Colgrain Primary School the best chance to lead happy, healthy school lives and to become responsible, active citizens.

## 251 Draft Mental Health Bill

Tabled: 5/07/22 Signatories: 12

Tony Lloyd  
Jim Shannon  
Hywel Williams  
Ben Lake  
Liz Saville Roberts  
Caroline Lucas

Richard Burgon

That this House welcomes the publication of the Draft Mental Health Bill; applauds the aim to ensure appropriate care for people with serious mental illness within the criminal justice system, better meet the needs of people with a learning disability to include those with autistic spectrum condition, give people greater control over their treatment, especially those from ethnic minority backgrounds who are disproportionately detained under the provisions of the current Act and to provide funding to enable local communities to explore alternatives to hospital admission for people experiencing a mental health crisis; further understands that despite the Government's public call for evidence to support the development of a new cross-Government 10-year plan for mental health, including supporting children and young people's mental health, there are no current plans to bring forward specific legislative proposals to require early intervention and preventative measures to help address children and young people's mental health and wellbeing issues at the first possible opportunity; and urges the Government to amend the Draft Mental Health Bill in accordance or give a commitment to introduce a stand-alone Bill to provide a Framework for the Mental Health and Wellbeing of Children and Young People to include fully-funded early intervention and preventive strategies within schools and in the community.

## 256 Scottish Café Awards

Tabled: 6/07/22 Signatories: 7

Kirsten Oswald  
Jim Shannon  
Allan Dorans  
Chris Stephens  
Amy Callaghan  
John Nicolson

Chris Law

That this House congratulates the over 200 Scotland's elite café professionals who gathered at the Marriott Hotel Glasgow on Monday 27 June 2022 on the occasion of the Scottish Café Awards; recognises the breadth of talent and entrepreneurial spirit demonstrated by these specialists whose efforts and dedication ensure their grateful customers receive high-quality food and drink; notes that the café sector plays a vital part in the vibrancy of local communities and high streets, delivers welcome opportunities to combat loneliness and showcases excellent customer service as well as first-class fare; further notes the diverse range of businesses operating in this sector and applauds

the industry and hard work involved in making these small businesses a success; and commends the sterling efforts of the teams involved in two East Renfrewshire businesses, Rouken Glen Garden Centre Café in Giffnock, winners of the award for Garden Centre Café of the Year and Ian's Kitchen in Eaglesham for their success in being named Café Kitchen of the Year.

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## 258      **Death of Andy Goram**

Tabled: **6/07/22**      Signatories: **15**

**Chris Stephens**  
**Alison Thewliss**  
**David Linden**  
**Anne McLaughlin**  
**Kirsten Oswald**  
**Richard Thomson**

Chris Law

That this House notes with deep sadness the passing of former Rangers, Hibernian, Motherwell, Manchester United, Oldham and Scottish International footballer Andy Goram at the age of 58; recognises he was one of the most talented goalkeepers in Scottish and British football in the '80s and '90s; applauds his achievements for Rangers Football Club, winning the league on five occasions, winning three Scottish Cups, two League Cups and winning the Scottish Writers and Players' Player of the Year awards in the 92/93 season; notes that his footballing achievements were recognised in 2010 when he was inducted into the Scottish Football Hall of Fame; further notes he was selected for Scotland at the 1986 and 1990 World Cups and the 1992 and 1996 European Championships; recognises that Andy was the only man to represent Scotland internationally both in football and cricket; commends Andy Goram for his bravery in speaking out about his diagnosis and raising awareness of oesophageal cancer and the importance of early diagnosis and getting checked if you have any symptoms you are worried about; and sends its deepest condolences to Andy's family, friends and the whole football world who are mourning his passing.

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## 260      **Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service public speaking champions**

Tabled: **7/07/22**      Signatories: **7**

**Alison Thewliss**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Chris Stephens**  
**Anne McLaughlin**  
**John Nicolson**  
**Chris Law**

Steven Bonnar

That this House congratulates Mairin Campbell-Thow and Rose Usher of Holyrood Secondary School on becoming the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service (COPFS) School Public Speaking Competition champions for 2022; commends efforts by the COPFS to improve school pupils' confidence in public speaking; notes that the competition involved 104 pupils from 38 schools across Scotland; and stresses the importance of young people's involvement in public discourse and welcomes all initiatives to encourage this.

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**261 Access to bank accounts for charitable organisations**

Tabled: 7/07/22 Signatories: 12

Mr Barry Sheerman  
Hywel Williams  
Liz Saville Roberts  
Ben Lake  
John McDonnell  
Jonathan Edwards

Richard Burgon

Steven Bonnar

That this House notes the brilliant work of the charitable sector and the positive impact charities have on communities across the country; recognises that charities must be supported to thrive and the unique role Government plays in creating the conditions by which the third-sector can flourish; further notes that charities require access to finance and bank accounts so they can operate in the public interest; is therefore concerned about reports that charities are finding it increasingly difficult to access banking services; believes that if these difficulties are left unresolved the delivery of charity services will be at risk; and calls on the Government to work with banks, UK Finance and third-sector groups to solve the issues experienced by charities and ensure they have access to financial services that are crucial for their running.

**262 Caradog and Y Côr Mawr's 150th anniversary**

Tabled: 7/07/22 Signatories: 8

Beth Winter  
John McDonnell  
Jon Trickett  
Jonathan Edwards  
Chris Stephens  
Christina Rees

Ian Lavery

Richard Burgon

That this House celebrates the 150th anniversary of the victory of Griffith Rhys Jones, or Caradog, and Y Côr Mawr, at the Crystal Palace Choral Competition in 1872; notes the significance of the success in bringing national attention to Welsh choral singing and launching Aberdare's reputation as the 'Town of Song'; congratulates the organisers of Caradog Fest 2022 in Aberdare for their commitment to an enduring understanding of the event's significance, through inviting Welsh People's History Society, Llafur, to discuss the impact of the event on Welsh culture; and further celebrates the organisers commitment to ensuring Welsh choral singing going from strength to strength, with the presence of choirs from Abercynon, Cwmbach, Cwmdare, Glynneath, Pelenna and Treharris at this year's festival.

**263 All Stars Netball Club, East Renfrewshire**Tabled: **7/07/22** Signatories: **7**

**Kirsten Oswald**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Chris Stephens**  
**Amy Callaghan**  
**Anne McLaughlin**  
**John Nicolson**

Chris Law

That this House welcomes the success of East Renfrewshire's All Stars Netball Club, which, pre-pandemic, was the biggest junior netball club in Scotland with over 150 players aged from 4 to 17; notes that over the pandemic the club continued outdoor training, overcoming difficulties in accessing premises to do so, and secured four newly qualified level one coaches from their under 17 members to help coach younger players, with the training for this award being done on line; congratulates the club on winning the Under 15 Scottish Youth Club competition at the Emirates Arena in Glasgow, after being undefeated all season and on reaching the final of the Under 13 Scottish Youth Club tournament; further congratulates the club's Marissa Carlin on being shortlisted for Volunteer Coach of the Year and Alex Wittmann who won Young Volunteer Coach of the Year in East Renfrewshire Culture and Leisure Awards, and the club on winning Club of the Year; recognises the club's growing influence locally and nationally, with East Renfrewshire District Under 15s winning Scotland's national netball league, also undefeated all season, the Under 17 team coming 4th in Scotland, and two players involved in the Scottish Under 17 long squad, under the expert coaching of District Coach Lauren Wright, and congratulates Anna Beattie and the many volunteer coaches and managers, whose time, energy, and commitment contribute to the club's triumphs and the fun and joy shared by the club's members every week at training.

**265 Ministerial resignation payments (No. 2)**Tabled: **11/07/22** Signatories: **12**

**Munira Wilson**  
**Wera Hobhouse**  
**Layla Moran**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Daisy Cooper**  
**Wendy Chamberlain**

Ed Davey

That this House recognises that resigning Ministers are entitled to 25 per cent of the annual salary they were paid in office; notes that the cost of the 51 resignations from Government payroll last week could cost the taxpayer £245,487; further acknowledges that the cost of living crisis is forcing more children to hunger, with many families relying on foodbanks; and calls on the resigning Ministers to forgo their payments to fund 81,829 free school meal vouchers in the summer holidays.

**266 Lochardil Primary School**

Tabled: 11/07/22 Signatories: 7

Drew Hendry  
Douglas Chapman  
Amy Callaghan  
Anne McLaughlin  
Allan Dorans  
John Nicolson

Chris Law

That this House congratulates the staff and pupils at Lochardil Primary School on receiving the School of Sanctuary award from City Sanctuary UK; for showing solidarity with and welcoming those who need sanctuary; commends the commitment from the staff and students to accommodate students from a refugee background by expanding their learning and preparing new materials; and congratulates Lochardil Primary School on being the first school in Scotland to receive that award.

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**267 Loch Insh Outdoor Centre**

Tabled: 11/07/22 Signatories: 6

Drew Hendry  
Douglas Chapman  
Anne McLaughlin  
Allan Dorans  
John Nicolson  
Chris Law

That this House congratulates the Loch Insh Outdoor Centre on winning Best Outdoor Centre at this year's Scottish Hospitality Awards; further congratulates the centre on receiving the Tripadvisor's Travellers Choice award 2022 for ranking in the top 10 per cent of visitor attractions worldwide; commends the ongoing hard work of the team for providing an excellent range of activities and courses; recognises the importance of their contribution to active tourism in Scotland; and wishes the Loch Insh Outdoor Centre great success for the future.

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**269 Boogie Box Jive Group**

Tabled: 11/07/22 Signatories: 4

Dr Lisa Cameron  
Allan Dorans  
John Nicolson  
Chris Law

That this House celebrates the wonderful achievements of Mr Paul McKenzie and his Boogie Box Jive Group; further celebrates the joy he has brought to local charities, care homes and community groups; praises his unending commitment to volunteering and supporting the community during the past 40 years; and wishes Paul and the Boogie Box Jive Group the very best for the future.

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**274 Shetland Pride 2022**

Tabled: 11/07/22 Signatories: 7

Mr Alistair Carmichael  
Layla Moran  
Wendy Chamberlain  
Daisy Cooper  
Anne McLaughlin  
Jamie Stone

Richard Burgon

That this House welcomes the outstanding success of the first Shetland Pride Festival; acknowledges the hard work and dedication presented by those who organised the event and pays tribute to the work of Kerrie Meyer; notes that approximately 2,000 people took part and attracted visitors from across the country and from overseas, from as far as Australia; recognises the support from local organisations including NHS Shetland, Shetland Women's Aid, and the Shetland women's rugby team who set up stalls during the event; notes the significance of the event and the importance of ensuring that the LGBTQ+ community celebrate who they are without judgement, and prove how much support there is for the community within Shetland; and looks forward to the future of Shetland Pride events.

**275 Pat Scott retirement from the Huntly Express**

Tabled: 11/07/22 Signatories: 10

Richard Thomson  
Anne McLaughlin  
Allan Dorans  
Martin Docherty-Hughes  
Ian Blackford  
John Nicolson

Chris Law

Richard Burgon

That this House notes Pat Scott is retiring as Chief Reporter with Highland News and Media, having served as Editor of the Huntly Express; understands that Pat joined the Huntly Express in 1978 and has reported on Huntly and district diligently since that time; notes that Pat has worked for four different owners of the newspaper and in five different locations over the past 44 years; commends the unstinting support the Huntly Express has given its local community over the years under Pat's leadership; and wishes Pat well in her retirement from journalism but understands she will continue to be involved in community events, notably the Huntly Hairst.

**276 Maximum temperature in the workplace**

Tabled: 11/07/22 Signatories: 41

Ian Mearns  
Kate Hollern  
Grahame Morris  
Mick Whitley  
Chris Stephens  
Charlotte Nichols

Ian Lavery

Richard Burgon

That this House notes that recent surveys of workplace health and safety representatives show that high temperatures are one of their top concerns; regrets that workers in the UK have no

guaranteed legal safeguards from working in uncomfortable high temperatures, and that the consequences of this range from dizziness, tiredness, asthma, throat infections and, in extreme cases, heat stroke and death; insists that without recognised law, current recommendations for employers to maintain a reasonable temperature within the workplace are impossible to enforce unless a worker is seriously injured or killed from heat stress; and calls on the Government to introduce legislative proposals to ensure a maximum working temperature of 30 degrees Celsius, or 27 degrees Celsius for those doing strenuous work, beyond which employers would have a statutory duty to introduce effective control measures, such as installing ventilation or moving staff away from windows and sources of heat.

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## 278 Public scientific hearing on animal experiments

Tabled: 12/07/22 Signatories: 5

**Dr Lisa Cameron**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**John Nicolson**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Chris Law**

That this House applauds the new Animal Sentience Bill, enshrining in law the ability of animals to experience joy and feel suffering and pain; notes the science-based campaign For Life On Earth with its Beagle Ambassador, rescued laboratory dog Betsy; is shocked to see the harrowing exposé showing thousands of laboratory dogs intensively bred in the UK and underlines the consequences of the Animal Sentience Bill regarding this; notes that scientists in the wider scientific community, outside the animal-based research sector, acknowledge the failure of animal testing in the search for human treatments and cures, and that those experts include scientists in the pharmaceutical industry, the Editor in Chief of the British Medical Journal, the US-based National Cancer Institute which says cures for cancer have been lost because studies in rodents were believed, and the Food and Drug Administration which states that nine out of 10 new medicines fail to pass human trials because animals cannot predict responses in humans; notes Doctors Greek and Shanks' Trans-Species Modelling Theory, founded upon the theory of evolution, explaining why animals fail as predictive models of humans; and calls on the Government to mandate a rigorous public scientific hearing, judged by independent experts from the relevant science fields, to cease the funding of the now proven failed practice of animal experimentation and increase funding for state-of-the-art human-based research, such as human-on-a-chip and gene-based medicine, to prioritise treatments and cures for human patients and stop the suffering of laboratory dogs and other animals.

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## 279 200th anniversary of the Cruel Treatment of Cattle Act 1822

Tabled: 12/07/22 Signatories: 6

**Dr Lisa Cameron**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**John Nicolson**  
**Caroline Lucas**  
**Chris Law**  
**Richard Burgon**

That this House celebrates the 200th anniversary of Martin's Act, the Cruel Treatment of Cattle Act 1822, the first piece of animal welfare legislation in the world; celebrates the development of the body of animal welfare law in the UK today based on the principles of Martin's Act; recognises the role the Act played in the establishment of the RSPCA, the world's oldest animal welfare charity;

and calls on all Members to continue to support the development of new animal welfare law in the UK.

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## 281 Curry Cottage and the Scottish Curry Awards 2022

Tabled: 12/07/22 Signatories: 5

**Alison Thewliss**  
**Anne McLaughlin**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**John Nicolson**  
**Chris Law**

That this House recognises the achievement of Curry Cottage in Glasgow for receiving the New Restaurant of the Year award at the Scottish Curry Awards 2022; congratulates kitchen and serving staff for their accomplishment and well-deserved recognition shortly after opening; notes that the restaurant serves a variety of customers, from frequent locals to visitors from further afield; is looking forward to the reopening of the restaurant on 31 July 2022 after maintenance work is carried out; and thanks the restaurant for its positive contribution to the community in Glasgow Central.

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## 282 Akbar's and the Scottish Curry Awards 2022

Tabled: 12/07/22 Signatories: 5

**Alison Thewliss**  
**Anne McLaughlin**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**John Nicolson**  
**Chris Law**

That this House congratulates Akbar's in Glasgow for receiving the Best of Glasgow award in the Scottish Curry Awards 2022; recognises that this is an outstanding achievement given the strength of the competition; notes that this award adds to the numerous accolades earned by the restaurant and its staff; and thanks the restaurant for its contribution to Glasgow.

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## 283 Ranjit Kaur and the Scottish Curry Awards 2022

Tabled: 12/07/22 Signatories: 5

**Alison Thewliss**  
**Anne McLaughlin**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**John Nicolson**  
**Chris Law**

That this House congratulates Ranjit Kaur, the newly crowned Curry Queen at the Scottish Curry Awards 2022; commends her and her team at Ranjit's Kitchen on Pollokshaws Road for their considerable achievement; notes the contribution made by the restaurant to the community and the popularity of the restaurant's vegetarian food, which means customers rarely visit only once; wishes Ranjit a long and happy reign as Curry Queen; and further wishes her restaurant all the best into the future.

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**284 Media reporting of poverty**

Tabled: 12/07/22 Signatories: 25

Ian Byrne  
Kate Hollern  
Mick Whitley  
Bell Ribeiro-Addy  
Kate Osborne  
Rebecca Long Bailey

Ian Lavery

That this House recognises the importance of journalism in reporting poverty in the UK; condemns any use of derogatory language which can lead to negative stigmatising; notes that this issue is of ever-increasing importance as the working class face a cost of living crisis and the Government's Fighting Fraud in the Welfare System plan; further notes that the public increasingly reject the toxicity of discourse and debate in the UK; believes that a common, cross-party commitment to challenging discriminatory language will send a powerful, positive message at a time when it is needed; and calls for collaboration with trade unions and anti-poverty organisations, including the NUJ, BAFWU, and the Right to Food campaign, to challenge discourse and to promote awareness and the rejection of negative media messages about people experiencing poverty.

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**285 Political violence and presidential election in Brazil**

Tabled: 12/07/22 Signatories: 19

Richard Burgon  
Claudia Webbe  
Anne McLaughlin  
Owen Thompson  
Jonathan Edwards  
Beth Winter

Caroline Lucas

This House expresses its deep concerns about reports of political violence against representatives of the Workers' Party in Brazil ahead of this October's Presidential election; notes that the far-right Brazilian President Jair Bolsonaro and his cabinet ministers, nearly half of whom are military generals, have made repeated threats against the integrity of this year's upcoming elections; further notes that these have worsened as former President and Workers' Party leader Lula da Silva has opened up significant poll leads; is concerned that threats, intimidation and hate speech from the President and his supporters create a context in which acts of political violence are more likely; condemns the 9 July killing at a birthday party of Marcelo Arruda, a Workers' Party official in the city of Foz do Iguaçu, by a Bolsonaro supporter who chanted we are Bolsonaro here; notes that Bolsonaro's supporters have also attacked pro-Lula rallies including with a home-made bomb and the use of drones to drop faeces onto crowds; and calls on the British Government to raise concerns with the Brazilian government about these reports of violence and intimidation and to call for the coming elections to be free and fair.

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**287 Further Education**

Tabled: 13/07/22 Signatories: 4

Jon Trickett  
 Caroline Lucas  
 Ian Lavery  
 Richard Burgon

That this House has considered the importance of Further Education (FE) in the UK; acknowledges the impact of FE in educating 1.7 million people each year, and its centrality to the levelling up agenda; raises anger over the impact of the drastic FE funding cuts of 14 per cent per pupil between 2010-2020; expresses deep concern over the findings in the University and Colleges' Union report entitled On the Breadline - The cost of living crisis for England's college workers in which 96 per cent of FE staff say their income does not cover the cost of living or just about covers it, 82 per cent say their financial situation has impacted their mental health and 70 per cent plan to leave sector within 5 years; celebrates FE staff who are dedicated and hardworking despite the difficulties within the sector; and urges the Government to reverse the austerity cuts to FE and to give staff a proper above inflation pay rise.

**288 Outstanding recognition for teaching**

Tabled: 13/07/22 Signatories: 3

Yasmin Qureshi  
 Jim Shannon  
 Richard Burgon

That this House notes that Miss Kira Redmond, of St Peter's Church of England Primary School in Farnworth, has gone above and beyond for her school pupils, giving them support and care, while also providing a platform for them to flourish academically, and has been rewarded with a Pearson National Teaching silver award as a result.

**289 Stockport Pride 2022**

Tabled: 13/07/22 Signatories: 11

Navendu Mishra  
 Lloyd Russell-Moyle  
 Rebecca Long Bailey  
 Kim Johnson  
 Ben Lake  
 Chris Law

Bell Ribeiro-Addy  
 Richard Burgon

Ian Lavery

Charlotte Nichols

That this House wishes that the upcoming Stockport Pride on 31 July 2022 is a great success; congratulates Stephen Bowyer, the Stockport Pride organising team and all the volunteers for their hard work in arranging the event; recognises the work Stockport Pride does to raise awareness about LGBTQ+ equality in Stockport and the North West region; notes that Pride is as much a protest as it is a celebration; further notes that although significant progress has been made to improve the lives of LGBTQ+ people, there is still improvements to be made; commits to continuing to support the advancement of LGBTQ+ rights; and looks forward to future Pride gatherings in Stockport in years to come.

**290 Provision of NHS services**

Tabled: 13/07/22 Signatories: 7

Jon Trickett  
Dan Carden  
Jim Shannon  
Claudia Webbe  
Caroline Lucas  
Ian Lavery

Richard Burgon

That this House expresses its concern at the crisis unfolding in the National Health Service (NHS); notes that every ambulance service in England has declared critical incident status; further notes that staff shortages have been reported in hospitals across the country; understands that the spike in the number of covid-19 cases is putting additional strain on the health service due to the increased number of patients and staff absences; recognises that the hard working and dedicated NHS staff are committed to the highest quality of care but lack the resources and capacity they need; believes the present crisis is the result of underfunding and mismanagement of the NHS by the Government; calls on the Government to take immediate action to mobilise all the resources at their disposal to address the crisis in the NHS; and demands the Government increases the NHS budget to reflect the post-covid world, halts damaging privatisation and provides the overworked NHS staff with an inflation-proof pay rise.

**291 Child poverty in the North West**

Tabled: 13/07/22 Signatories: 12

Kate Hollern  
Kim Johnson  
Grahame Morris  
Charlotte Nichols  
Dan Carden  
Ms Marie Rimmer

Ian Lavery

Richard Burgon

That this House is alarmed by the increase in level of child poverty in the North West, with research from Loughborough University showing that 30 per cent of children in the region live in poverty; is further alarmed by statistics showing that, across the UK, 76 per cent of children living in poverty are from a working household and that there is a 28 per cent gap between children receiving free school meals and their wealthier peers in terms of achieving five A\*-C GCSE grades; warns that the current proposal in the Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill will not be adequate to properly address child poverty; and calls on the Government to introduce better-targeted and more-extensive efforts to ensure that child poverty is eradicated, so that the levelling-up agenda can be successful in every region of the UK, including the North West.

**292 Pub tenants**

Tabled: 14/07/22 Signatories: 4

John Cryer  
Sir Mike Penning  
Ian Lavery  
Richard Burgon

That this House is deeply concerned at the prevalence of upward-only rent reviews among pub tenants; recognises that large numbers of tenants are being placed in extremely difficult financial

positions by such rent reviews and the actions of avaricious landlords; notes that in Ireland and Australia such rent reviews have been made illegal; and calls on the Government to follow those examples and to make upwards-only rent reviews illegal in order to help very hard-pressed tenants.

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### 293 East Kilbride YM Football Club

Tabled: 14/07/22 Signatories: 2

**Dr Lisa Cameron**  
**Chris Law**

That this House congratulates the East Kilbride YM FC on their 100th anniversary; notes the incredible work they have done to promote football in the East Kilbride community; commends their unprecedented success over their 100-year history; and recognises the recent treble victory of the EKYM's Greater Glasgow Premier side in securing their league title, the President's Cup, and the Bobby Thomson Challenge Cup.

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### 295 Financial redress for Foetal Anticonvulsant Syndrome caused by sodium valproate

Tabled: 14/07/22 Signatories: 3

**Alan Brown**  
**Chris Law**  
**Richard Burgon**

This House calls on the UK Government to pay compensation to sufferers of Foetal Anticonvulsant Syndrome, caused by womb exposure to sodium valproate; notes this is a key recommendation in the thorough and excellent report by Baroness Cumberlege, First Do No Harm, which summarises the outcomes of the independent Medicines and Medical Devices Safety Review; notes that paragraph 1.38 states valproate has caused physical and neurodevelopmental harm and that the state and manufacturers have an ethical responsibility to provide ex gratia payments to those who have experienced avoidable damage from the interventions reviewed; further notes that the report, published in July 2020, stated that patients have waited far too long for redress and that the Government did not address this aspect in their response in July 2021, and that a full year later, in July 2022, still have not set up an ex gratia payment scheme for victims already known to have waited too long for compensation; recognises that the victims of Foetal Anticonvulsant Syndrome are getting older and may need greater levels of support and that the Government must show compassion, empathy and an immediate willingness for some form of justice by way of redress; and calls for a redress agency to be established to provide adequate redress for the victims of sodium valproate, and to implement the other two redress recommendations highlighted from the review on hormone pregnancy tests and pelvic mesh.

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### 296 Electronic cigarettes and e-waste

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**Mr Clive Betts**  
**Richard Burgon**

That this House notes that the use of e-cigarettes, commonly known as vaping devices, in the UK is rising, especially amongst young people, with single-use non-rechargeable devices commonly sold by retailers; is concerned that many single-use vaping devices cannot be disposed of in household waste and, although their batteries and other constituent parts can be recycled, it is often the case that these devices end up in landfill; notes that ITV reports that batteries in normal household

rubbish counted for over 260 fires last year; recalls how a fire that broke out in a Pilsforth landfill took a week before services managed to bring it under control; further notes that li-ion batteries used in these devices contain acids and toxic heavy metals like mercury and lead which leach into the soil and water sources when they are buried in landfill sites endangering humans, natural wildlife and the rural environment; and calls on e-cigarette liquid companies and the Government to take greater steps to increase awareness of the need to recycle these devices and ensure more recycling points are provided for them.