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## Early Day Motions tabled on Thursday 21 July 2022

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### New EDMs

#### 322 Summer (Bash) Streets Festival

Tabled: 21/07/22 Signatories: 2

Chris Law  
Stewart Hosie

That this House welcomes the Summer (Bash) Streets Festival to Dundee as part of Scotland's Year of Stories 2022; recognises that a schedule of free events will take place over the Festival's ten-day run, including a Dennis and Gnash Dash Fun Run through the city centre; further recognises that as part of the Festival, a six-metre high Beanotown sign has been erected on the Law; celebrates Dundee's proud history as the world's capital of comics, giving us beloved comic characters such as Dennis the Menace, Desperate Dan, Oor Wullie and the Bash Street Kids; and thanks Dundee City Council, VisitScotland, Beano and DC Thomson for their work on collectively organising the Festival.

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#### 323 HONORARY DOCTORATE FOR GRAHAM CAMPBELL

Tabled: 21/07/22 Signatories: 1

Alison Thewliss

That this House congratulates Graham Campbell on being conferred a Doctor of the University award from the University of Glasgow in June 2022; notes that this was conferred in recognition for his work in human rights activism; understands that he was nominated by Louise Welsh, author and Professor of Creative Writing; appreciates the contribution that Graham Campbell has made to anti-racism campaigning in Scotland as well as highlighting Scotland's links with slavery; wishes him all the best in future endeavours.

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**324 Yorkshire Day 2022**Tabled: **21/07/22** Signatories: **1****Jon Trickett**

That this House celebrates Yorkshire Day which takes place on the 1 August 2022 to acknowledge the history and culture of the great county of Yorkshire; highlights the many achievements of the people of Yorkshire and their contribution to British society; congratulates Yorkshire for producing world-class creative artists and sports women and men, as well as world-leading scientists; commends the beautiful countryside across God's Own County and the many cultural treasures it has to offer; pays tribute to Yorkshire's strong communities which have always fought for justice, particularly in the Miners' Strike; calls on the Government to ensure that Yorkshire and its people are not held back by decisions made in Westminster; and wishes all those participating in Yorkshire Day celebrations a deeply rewarding and gratifying day, and, finally, hope that all the people of Yorkshire have a prosperous and successful future.

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**325 Matter referred to the Committee of Privileges on 21 April 2022**Tabled: **21/07/22** Signatories: **4**

**Sir William Cash**  
**Mr David Jones**  
**Sir Edward Leigh**  
**Sir Iain Duncan Smith**

That this House expresses its concern with the publication of the Report by the Committee of Privileges entitled Matter referred on 21 April 2022: proposed conduct of inquiry, HC 632; notes the divergence from the established convention of deliberately misleading or knowingly mislead the House, departing from Erskine May, past precedent and the 1997 Resolution of the House on Ministerial accountability to Parliament; expresses further concern about the processes being adopted; observes the Motion of Confidence passed by this House on 18 July 2022; notes the Prime Minister has stated his intention to resign as Prime Minister by 6 September; and believes that the Resolution passed by the House of 21 April 2022 is now unnecessary and should be rescinded, and that the proceedings of the Committee of Privileges on this matter be discontinued.

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**326 Come Dine in Glasgow**Tabled: **21/07/22** Signatories: **7**

**Anne McLaughlin**  
**Alison Thewliss**  
**Patrick Grady**  
**Chris Stephens**  
**Carol Monaghan**  
**David Linden**

**Stewart Malcolm McDonald**

That this House congratulates the three Glasgow restaurants featured in episode 17 of Come Dine with Me: The Professionals first shown on Channel 4 on Tuesday 19 July 2022; considers that African restaurant and bar 'Calabash', Persian restaurant 'Saffron by Paradise' and Scottish restaurant 'Red Onion' perfectly demonstrated the eclectic mix of dining experiences available in the city of Glasgow; congratulates the top scoring father and daughter team of John and Rosie Quigley on achieving first place; considers all three to be winners; wishes the three Glasgow restaurants Amore d'Italia, Bloc and Maki and Ramen participating in Come Dine with Me on Friday 22 July well; thanks all six restaurants for promoting the fine city of Glasgow; and encourages everyone to visit Glasgow this summer to sample these and the many other wonderful delights on offer.

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## 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.

### 259 Alcohol addiction within the South Asian community

Tabled: 7/07/22 Signatories: 4

Claudia Webbe  
John McDonnell  
Chris Stephens  
Jeremy Corbyn

That this House is concerned by the prevalence of alcohol addiction within the South Asian community; is alarmed by the fact that, according to the British Medical Journal, for every 100 white men dying from alcohol-related causes, there are 160 Asian men dying; laments that the UK's most recent alcohol strategy was published in 2012 and although the Government announced plans for a new strategy in May 2018, this has not been forthcoming; calls on the Government to publish a new Alcohol Strategy that improves the outreach for public health initiatives and ensure that addiction services are designed to reach all communities within the UK; applauds the purpose of the documentary film entitled I'm Jit and I'm an alcoholic by the Leicester-based Community Interest Company 7events and its founder Jit Chauhan, to raise awareness of addiction in the South Asian Community, provide information for addicts to recover and for their families to get help and support; further commends the film's intention to break the taboo and stigma associated with alcohol in the South Asian community; congratulates everyone involved in this worthwhile project and wishes them further success in their plans to take the film to temples and community centres in Leicester and throughout the UK with the aim of sharing a personal story and forcing people to have conversations so the taboo and stigma around getting help for addiction is broken and people do not fear getting help; and further calls on the Government to ensure such initiatives are supported.

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### 264 Accessible council meetings

Tabled: 11/07/22 Signatories: 17

Caroline Lucas  
Debbie Abrahams  
Jonathan Edwards  
Claudia Webbe  
Daisy Cooper  
Wendy Chamberlain

Jeremy Corbyn

That this House is concerned that the emergency regulations that allowed councils to conduct meetings remotely between 2 April 2020 and 7 May 2021, and which enabled disabled people and people with caring responsibilities to fully and fairly participate, are no longer in place; notes the Local Government Association's (LGA) call to reinstate hybrid meetings and their statement that this kind of flexibility is vital in attracting a wider range of people to stand as local election candidates; further notes the findings from the LGA in June 2022 that 72 per cent of councillors surveyed felt a hybrid model could attract more ethnic minority people, younger people and women to stand in local elections; is alarmed by the LGA council survey carried out between October and November 2021, which found that returning exclusively to in-person meetings had resulted in 72 per cent

of councils seeing a drop in councillor attendance at statutory meetings and a 73 per cent drop in public attendance; welcomes the findings from a 2021 YouGov survey that found that 60 per cent of people said, given a choice, they would prefer to work remotely at least some of the time and research from the International Energy Agency that suggests remote working can lead to a reduction in climate emissions; and calls on the Government to make democracy more accessible this Disability Pride Month by making permanent the express provision for hybrid council meetings.

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## 265 Ministerial resignation payments (No. 2)

Tabled: 11/07/22 Signatories: 15

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

Chris Stephens

Jeremy Corbyn

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.

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## 266 Lochardil Primary School

Tabled: 11/07/22 Signatories: 10

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

Kirsten Oswald

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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**276 Maximum temperature in the workplace**

Tabled: 11/07/22 Signatories: 51

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

Jeremy Corbyn

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.

**278 Public scientific hearing on animal experiments**

Tabled: 12/07/22 Signatories: 22

Dr Lisa Cameron  
Allan Dorans  
John Nicolson  
Jonathan Edwards  
Chris Law  
Hywel Williams

Stephen Farry

Jeremy Corbyn

Wendy Chamberlain

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.

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

Tabled: 12/07/22 Signatories: 9

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

Jeremy Corbyn

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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**280 Jack Nicklaus awarded St Andrew's honorary citizenship**

Tabled: 12/07/22 Signatories: 7

**Wendy Chamberlain**  
**Mr Alistair Carmichael**  
**Layla Moran**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Wera Hobhouse**  
**Stephen Farry**

Kirsten Oswald

That this House congratulates Jack Nicklaus for being awarded honorary citizenship of St Andrews; notes that he is the third American to be awarded such citizenship following Benjamin Franklin in 1759 and Bobby Jones in 1958; recognises that Mr Nicklaus has won 18 golfing championships, including the Open three times, of which two were at St Andrews' Old Course; and commends all sportspeople for their role in enriching public life and widening participation in sport.

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**283 Ranjit Kaur and the Scottish Curry Awards 2022**

Tabled: 12/07/22 Signatories: 8

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

Kirsten Oswald

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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**286 Garment trade adjudicator**

Tabled: 12/07/22 Signatories: 18

**Claudia Webbe**  
**Grahame Morris**  
**Margaret Ferrier**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Dr Philippa Whitford**  
**Jeremy Corbyn**

Chris Stephens

That this House notes that the purchasing practices of UK retailers has a direct impact on the workers who make clothes for fashion brands, who then re-sell those clothes onto consumers; laments the unfair purchasing practices of UK fashion brands, which causes job losses, poverty wages, excessive overtime and unsafe conditions for the people who make our clothes; believes that the time has come for a fashion watchdog, or garment trade adjudicator, so that all brands ensure that the way they do business treats their suppliers fairly; recognises that fashion retailers, owned by individual tycoons who tend to extract maximum profits and extravagant corporate salaries from the exploited labour of supply chain workers, are typically less responsible compared to giant grocery companies and food retailers; believes that, similar to the Groceries Code Adjudicator, the introduction of a garment trade adjudicator would likely ensure that payment terms to suppliers are fair; further believes that a garment trade adjudicator would have a positive impact on recourses for late order cancellations, delays in payments and unfair or illegal deductions, all of which have a knock-on effect on employment at supplier factories and the ability of suppliers to pay legal wages and provide secure employment; and calls on the Government to introduce a garment trade adjudicator to act as a fashion watchdog and tackle the scourge of garment industry exploitation in Leicester, across the UK and around the world.

**287 Further Education**

Tabled: 13/07/22 Signatories: 10

**Jon Trickett**  
**Caroline Lucas**  
**Ian Lavery**  
**Richard Burgon**  
**Mohammad Yasin**  
**Chris Stephens**

Ian Byrne

Jeremy Corbyn

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.

**289 Stockport Pride 2022**

Tabled: 13/07/22 Signatories: 14

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

Jeremy Corbyn

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: 13

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

Ian Byrne

Jeremy Corbyn

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: **15**

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

Ian Byrne

Jeremy Corbyn

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: **13**

John Cryer  
Sir Mike Penning  
Ian Lavery  
Richard Burgon  
Sarah Olney  
Jonathan Edwards

Jeremy Corbyn

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.

**293 East Kilbride YM Football Club**Tabled: **14/07/22** Signatories: **8**

Dr Lisa Cameron  
Chris Law  
John Nicolson  
Margaret Ferrier  
Allan Dorans  
Chris Stephens

Anne McLaughlin

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.

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

Tabled: 14/07/22 Signatories: 16

Alan Brown  
Chris Law  
Richard Burgon  
Hywel Williams  
Liz Saville Roberts  
Ben Lake

Anne McLaughlin

Kirsten Oswald

Jeremy Corbyn

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.

## 296 Electronic cigarettes and e-waste

Tabled: 14/07/22 Signatories: 11

Mr Clive Betts  
Richard Burgon  
Bob Blackman  
Hywel Williams  
Liz Saville Roberts  
Ben Lake

Anne McLaughlin

Jeremy Corbyn

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.

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## 297 Political and economic situation in Sri Lanka

Tabled: 15/07/22 Signatories: 17

Ed Davey  
Sarah Olney  
Bob Blackman  
Wendy Chamberlain  
Wera Hobhouse  
Siobhain McDonagh

Anne McLaughlin

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: 12

Kirsty Blackman  
Amy Callaghan  
Chris Law  
John Nicolson  
Allan Dorans  
Chris Stephens

Anne McLaughlin

Jeremy Corbyn

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: **9**

Douglas Chapman  
 Dave Doogan  
 Chris Law  
 Jonathan Edwards  
 Allan Dorans  
 Chris Stephens

Anne McLaughlin

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: **14**

Ian Blackford  
 Dave Doogan  
 Amy Callaghan  
 Chris Law  
 John Nicolson  
 Steven Bonnar

Anne McLaughlin

Kirsten Oswald

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.

**301 East Dunbartonshire women's representation in Team GB**Tabled: **18/07/22** Signatories: **7**

Amy Callaghan  
 Chris Stephens  
 Allan Dorans  
 Alison Thewliss  
 Jim Shannon  
 Anne McLaughlin

Kirsten Oswald

That this House recognises the achievements of two East Dunbartonshire athletes in team GB; congratulates judo star Rachel Tyler from Bearsden who is set to compete at the Commonwealth Games between the 28th of July and 8th August; further notes the success of Bishopbriggs swimmer Katie Shanahan who is set to compete in the games following her first British senior title; thanks

both athletes for being such great role models for young athletes across the UK; understands that this new generation of athletes are setting an example for future generations and building on the success of previous elite athletes from the area; looks forward to seeing both compete at the highest level; and wishes both all the best as they seek to build on their already tremendous achievements.

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### 302      **Epidermolysis Bullosa**

Tabled: **18/07/22**      Signatories: **11**

**Mohammad Yasin**  
**Mick Whitley**  
**Tony Lloyd**  
**Jon Trickett**  
**Chris Stephens**  
**Daisy Cooper**

Jeremy Corbyn

That this House welcomes the recent identification of anti-inflammatory drugs, which are already available within the NHS, that could be successful in treating Epidermolysis Bullosa (EB); notes that around 5,000 people in the UK are currently living with EB, a group of rare genetic disorders that result in fragile and blistered skin; recognises the work of DEBRA in spending £1.8 million on charitable activities in 2021, including nearly £500,000 on research projects; and further welcomes DEBRA's drug repurposing programme, which requires the Government to commit £10 million of financial support to accelerate clinical trials and secure approved treatments for EB sufferers in the UK.

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### 303      **Government's pledge to build 40 new hospitals**

Tabled: **18/07/22**      Signatories: **10**

**Jon Trickett**  
**Claudia Webbe**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Richard Burgon**  
**Kim Johnson**  
**John McDonnell**

Caroline Lucas

Ian Byrne

Jeremy Corbyn

That this House notes with concern the failure of the Government's promise to the public to deliver 40 new hospitals; notes the Nuffield Trust's definition of a new hospital as 'a new building on an entirely new site' which means only three new hospitals have been built, two general hospitals and one non-urgent care hospital, according to their definition; highlights the desperate state on the NHS as a result of the Government's failures, which has seen waiting lists soar to 6.5 million, and only last week, the ambulance service in England declaring critical incident status; further highlights the role privatisation has played in the deterioration of services, with an estimated £204.1 billion spent on private contracts between 2013-20, which amounts to nearly 19 per cent of the Department for Health and Social Care spending on the NHS; notes with deep concern the likelihood of further privatisation under trade deals currently being negotiated; and calls on the Government to protect the NHS from damaging privatisation, which according to the Lancet is linked with a higher mortality rate for treatable deaths.

**304 The People's Assembly Against Austerity national demonstration**

Tabled: 18/07/22 Signatories: 24

Richard Burgon  
 Ian Byrne  
 Ms Diane Abbott  
 John McDonnell  
 Zarah Sultana  
 Jon Trickett

Caroline Lucas

That this House congratulates the People's Assembly Against Austerity for calling a national demonstration for Saturday 5th November 2022 on the cost-of-living emergency faced by communities up and down the country; believes that ordinary people should not, once again, be made to pay for a crisis that they did not create; notes that while living standards of the vast majority of people face the sharpest decline in 70 years, the super-rich are hoarding unprecedented levels of wealth; further notes the hypocrisy of the rich and powerful in demanding that workers accept real terms pay cuts to tackle inflation while bankers' bonuses are at record highs, and the profits of the biggest companies are soaring and British billionaires are increasing their wealth by £220 million per day; offers solidarity to those opposing real-terms cuts to wages, social security payments and pensions; and encourages MPs, community groups, trade unionists, social justice campaigners and members of the wider public to attend the People's Assembly Against Austerity's demonstration.

**306 Effect of high temperatures on pets**

Tabled: 18/07/22 Signatories: 11

Jim Shannon  
 Jon Trickett  
 Chris Stephens  
 Claudia Webbe  
 Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson  
 Patricia Gibson

Anne McLaughlin

Kirsten Oswald

Jeremy Corbyn

That this House notes the effect that heat can have on beloved pets and encourages the public to follow the RSPCA's advice by limiting or skipping walks, only taking very essential car journeys, making water available at all times, and preparing damp, cold towels and mats and frozen treats; further highlights that early morning or late night walks where safe to do so are preferable; and urges pet owners to take every precaution to help their pet through this difficult and confusing time for animals unused to heat and changes to their routines.

**307 Kanzen Karate 10th WUKF World Championships Performance**

Tabled: 18/07/22 Signatories: 5

Chris Law  
 Chris Stephens  
 Allan Dorans  
 Jim Shannon  
 Anne McLaughlin

That this House congratulates all at Kanzen Karate for their performance at the 10th WUKF World Championships in Fort Lauderdale, USA; recognises that the twenty athletes and two coaches from Kanzen Karate who travelled to the competition brought home ten gold medals, nine silver medals

and five bronze medals in a performance that saw Kanzen Karate rank fifth out of fifty-six national federations in attendance; further congratulates senior squad coach Dan Woods and the rest of the coaching team for their hard work in advance of the Championships; thanks Kanzen Karate for their work in the local community, which helps build better lives through the provision of physical activity and education; and wishes all at Kanzen Karate the best for the coming year ahead of the 11th WUKF World Championships in Dundee next year.

### 308 WUKF 2023 World Karate Championships in Dundee

Tabled: 18/07/22 Signatories: 7

Chris Law  
Chris Stephens  
Allan Dorans  
Alison Thewliss  
Jim Shannon  
Anne McLaughlin

Kirsten Oswald

That this House celebrates the announcement that the 2023 World Union of Karate-Do Federations (WUKF) World Karate Championships will be held in the city of Dundee; notes that it is expected to bring over 4,500 competitors, coaches, supporters and officials to the city for the Championships; further notes that the WUKF World Karate Championships were previously successfully held in Dundee in 2018; congratulates all involved at Kanzen Karate and in the wider Dundee community on their work to bring the Championships to the city; and wishes all involved the best for the preparations in the run up to the event next year.

### 309 BTEC funding

Tabled: 18/07/22 Signatories: 10

Jon Trickett  
Richard Burgon  
Kim Johnson  
John McDonnell  
Jim Shannon  
Wera Hobhouse

Caroline Lucas  
Claudia Webbe

Ian Byrne

Jeremy Corbyn

That this House raises its concerns about the Government's plans to cut funding for the majority of BTEC qualifications; notes that under the Government's current plans funding will start to be removed for BTEC qualifications in 2024-25; further notes that it is estimated that at least 34 per cent of 16 to 18 year olds studying a Level 3 qualification in England are pursuing at least one applied general qualification such as BTEC, including students in Hemsworth constituency, such as at Minsthorpe Community College; recognises that according to the Department for Education's equalities impact assessment, those from SEND backgrounds, Asian ethnic groups, disadvantaged backgrounds and males are disproportionately likely to be affected; believes that scrapping BTECs will leave many students without a viable education pathway at the age of 16 and will hamper progress to higher education and skilled employment; further believes that many colleges across the country will be unable to maintain a post-16 education provision if BTECs are scrapped and this will disproportionately impact colleges with high numbers of disadvantaged children; and calls on the Government to urgently reassess its plans to scrap funding for BTEC qualifications.

**310 Press Freedoms in India**

Tabled: 19/07/22 Signatories: 5

**Claudia Webbe**  
**John McDonnell**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Chris Stephens**  
**Jeremy Corbyn**

That this House holds that a free press is essential for a functioning democracy; is alarmed by increased crackdowns on journalistic independence and freedom in India; notes that India has dropped from 133 in 2016 to 150 out of 190 countries on the 2022 Reporters Without Borders' World Press Freedom Index; further notes widespread concerns regarding press freedoms in India from organisations including the Committee to Protect Journalists, Freedom House, PEN America, Reporters Without Borders, International Federation of Journalists, CIVICUS, Access Now, International Commission of Jurists, Amnesty International, and Human Rights Watch; is especially concerned by reports that Indian authorities are targeting journalists including those from religious minorities that are critical of the governing Bharatiya Janata Party; believes that the UK-India relationship must be deeper than trade and should be based on the promotion of democracy, human rights and upholding international law; calls on the Government to ensure that the Indian government abides by its commitments as a signatory to the 2022 Resilient Democracies Statement which hails all courageous defenders of democratic systems that stand against oppression and violence; and urges the Government to make representations with its Indian counterparts about the safety, freedom and independence of Indian journalists.

**311 Emancipation Day bank holiday**

Tabled: 19/07/22 Signatories: 8

**Claudia Webbe**  
**Anne McLaughlin**  
**Bell Ribeiro-Addy**  
**Kim Johnson**  
**John McDonnell**  
**Chris Stephens**

Caroline Lucas

Jeremy Corbyn

That this House believes workers in the UK currently receive an inadequate number of bank holidays, as British workers get four fewer public holidays than the EU average; notes that in 2021 there were 17 public holidays in Japan, 12 in Australia and 11 in China and New Zealand compared to just 8 in the UK; holds that all UK workers deserve more bank holidays and a perfect bank holiday date to commemorate is Emancipation Day on 1 August; further notes that Emancipation Day celebrates the passage of the Slavery Abolition Act 1833 which, after decades of organised struggle, gave all slaves in the British empire their freedom, albeit after a set period of years; recognises the story of Emancipation is of a mass movement struggling against the intransigence of vested interests, as slaveholders were compensated with today's equivalent of £17 billion, which was not paid off by the British public until 2015, whilst freed slaves were continually exploited and made to work as unpaid apprentices; further holds that, whilst the legacy of Emancipation Day showcases the reluctance of the colonial state against the bravery of committed activists, it is vital to highlight this chapter of the UK's collective past because present day injustices are inseparable from the historical origins of racism, imperialism and oppression; recognises many of Britain's former colonies celebrate Emancipation Day with either a bank holiday or a day of cultural activities; and calls on the Government to commemorate 1 August as an Emancipation Day bank holiday.



**313 VAT on period pants**

Tabled: 19/07/22 Signatories: 16

Tracey Crouch  
Rosie Duffield  
Hannah Bardell  
Sir Mike Penning  
Sir Peter Bottomley  
Kim Johnson

Caroline Lucas  
Amy Callaghan

Anne McLaughlin  
Wendy Chamberlain

Kirsten Oswald  
Jeremy Corbyn

That this House calls on the Government to zero rate VAT on period pants in line with other menstrual products such as pads, cloth pads and menstrual cups; notes that period pants are sustainable and reusable and have 5-6 times less carbon footprint than tampons or pads; recognises research that shows throughout the pandemic, over a million girls aged 14-21 in the UK struggled to access period products, with many forced to cut back on other essential items in order to purchase sanitary items; and further notes that the current classification of period pants as a garment means that a 20 per cent VAT rate on period pants makes an environmentally and financially sustainable alternative more expensive.

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**314 Scottish Retail Consortium**

Tabled: 19/07/22 Signatories: 11

Kirsty Blackman  
Chris Law  
Alan Brown  
Jim Shannon  
Chris Stephens  
Stephen Flynn

Anne McLaughlin

Kirsten Oswald

Wendy Chamberlain

That this House congratulates the members of the Scottish Retail Consortium (SRC); on raising £16.6 million for charity and good causes in 2021 - including during the Covid pandemic - and £92 million overall since 2016, as highlighted in the SRC's new report into retail charitable giving entitled Backing Scotland's Communities Through Covid; notes that, through their shops and online operations throughout Scotland, retailers raise money and support for charity through donations, fundraising, awareness raising and community activity, including causes to do with medical research, public health, care, food aid and the environment; and acknowledges the positive contribution that retailers make to Scottish society through their work in the community across each and every part of Scotland.

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**315 Civil service jobs in the North West**

Tabled: 19/07/22 Signatories: 15

Margaret Greenwood  
 Kim Johnson  
 John McDonnell  
 Jim Shannon  
 Chris Stephens  
 Charlotte Nichols

Dan Carden  
 Sir George Howarth  
 Ms Marie Rimmer

Ian Byrne  
 Peter Dowd  
 Jeremy Corbyn

Mick Whitley  
 Rosie Cooper  
 Tony Lloyd

That this House is extremely concerned about the government's plan to cut 91,000 jobs from the Civil Service within three years; recognises that this amounts to around one fifth of civil service jobs based on 2021 figures; notes that, in 2021, outside of London, the North West of England was the region of the UK with the largest number of civil servants, with 59,340; is concerned that reducing the number of civil servants by around one fifth could mean more than 11,000 civil service job losses in the North West; is further concerned about the potential impact of such job losses on the people of the North West and the region's economy, particularly at a time when people and businesses are struggling with the cost of living crisis; believes that making such cuts would be detrimental to the quality and availability of the public services on which we all rely; believes too that plans to cut 91,000 jobs from the civil service is contrary to the government's stated levelling-up agenda; and calls on the Government not to go ahead with these deeply damaging civil service job cuts.

**316 Alleged Turkish war crimes in northern Iraq**

Tabled: 19/07/22 Signatories: 3

Chris Stephens  
 Wera Hobhouse  
 Jeremy Corbyn

That this House puts on record its profound concerns about repeated allegations from various credible sources of the use by the Turkish armed forces of chemical weapons in its ongoing military operation against the Kurds in northern Iraq, known by Kurds as southern Kurdistan, and elsewhere in that region; notes the report by Steve Sweeney, Collusion, Conspiracy and Corruption: an on the ground report into Turkish war crimes and use of Chemical weapons, published by Peace in Kurdistan, which details eye-witness reports; expresses its dismay at the response to date of governments worldwide, including by the British Government, to these allegations of breaches of international law by Turkey; calls on the Government to support a full and thorough investigation by the responsible agencies into the alleged incidents to substantiate the facts by gathering evidence as soon as is possible; recognising that it can be in nobody's interest to ignore such serious allegations; and further calls upon the Government to exert its influence on Turkey to halt its operations to allow an investigation to be conducted.

**317 Just Transition and net zero**

Tabled: 19/07/22 Signatories: 8

Jon Trickett  
Kim Johnson  
John McDonnell  
Chris Stephens  
Wera Hobhouse  
Anne McLaughlin

Jeremy Corbyn

Claudia Webbe

That this House notes with concern the impact of climate change, particularly on working class communities and key workers; demands that climate policies should be to the benefit of people and planet over big business; further notes that areas such as Wakefield district have been held back by deindustrialisation and a decade of austerity, but that there is now an opportunity to rebuild the economy through green routes; praises the excellent work being done at Wakefield Council, supported by Just Transition Wakefield, to realise a just transition for all whilst reaching net zero by 2030; recognises the need for community development that meets both social and climate needs, such as investing in proper bus and rail networks, making public transport the preferred option for people, creating green job opportunities locally and ensuring homes are insulated and resilient; and urges the Government to support and resource local authorities' green strategies.

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**318 Jean Melvin**

Tabled: 19/07/22 Signatories: 6

Chris Stephens  
Chris Law  
John McDonnell  
Anne McLaughlin  
Kirsten Oswald  
Amy Callaghan

That this House recognises the life and work of Jean Melvin, a Govan community activist, who died earlier this year at the age of 97; recognises her work as an officer of firstly Teucherhill Tenants Association, and later of Drumoyne Tenants Association; and sends condolences to her family at this time; further recognises her work as a member of the Govan Community Council for over thirty years; recognises her commitment to improving the lives of the people of Govan; celebrates her work as a member of the Govan Reminiscence Society; recognises the esteem in which he was held by his many friends and colleagues; and offers condolences to all who knew her at this time.

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**319 Social Security**

Tabled: 20/07/22 Signatories: 10

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

Chris Stephens  
Caroline Lucas

Charlotte Nichols

Navendu Mishra

That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Universal Credit (Transitional Provisions) Amendment Regulations 2022 (S.I., 2022, No. 752), dated 4 July 2022, a copy of which was laid before this House on 4 July 2022, be annulled.

**320 Reopening of Campsfield House Immigration Removal Centre**

Tabled: 20/07/22 Signatories: 20

Layla Moran  
Wendy Chamberlain  
Daisy Cooper  
Ed Davey  
Mr Alistair Carmichael  
Tim Farron

Caroline Lucas  
Mohammad Yasin

Anne McLaughlin  
Jeremy Corbyn

Alison Thewliss  
Claudia Webbe

That this House strongly opposes plans by the Home Office to re-open Campsfield House Immigration Removal Centre in Kidlington, Oxfordshire; notes that, following the recommendations of the Shaw Report, and a long campaign by local residents opposed to the practice of indefinite detention, the site was shut down in 2018; further notes with great sadness the tragic suicide of a 19-year-old Ramazan Komluca while residing at Campsfield House in 2005; raises concerns about inhumane and cruel conditions across the detention estate; notes that seeking asylum is not a crime; believes that £227 million of taxpayer money could be spent in a more effective way to handle asylum cases humanely; calls on the Home Office to reverse this decision and ensure that it remains closed; also calls for an end to the practice of indefinite detention for asylum seekers; and supports local residents and campaigns in their fight against the reopening.

**321 Tenth anniversary of Group Recovery Aftercare Community Enterprise**

Tabled: 20/07/22 Signatories: 5

Stuart C McDonald  
Amy Callaghan  
Anne McLaughlin  
Kirsten Oswald  
Chris Stephens

That this House congratulates the Group Recovery Aftercare Community Enterprise (GRACE) on its 10th anniversary; acknowledges the incredible work that GRACE has done to provide recovery aftercare for individuals in East Dunbartonshire who have experienced trauma through its peer-led aftercare model; notes that GRACE has undertaken a wide range of activities for those in need of support including learning, training, health and well-being activities, personal development, and physical pursuits; and recognises the many volunteers that work tirelessly with GRACE to assist members of the community on their recovery journey.