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## Early Day Motions tabled on Wednesday 26 October 2022

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### New EDMs

#### 503 Caru Eryri Care For Snowdonia Project

Tabled: 26/10/22 Signatories: 1

**Hywel Williams**

That this House celebrates the achievements of the Caru Eryri – Care for Snowdonia project, bringing together the Snowdonia Society, Snowdonia National Park Authority, the Outdoor Partnership and the National Trust to organise groups of volunteers to pick up litter and engage with visitors in the busiest parts of Snowdonia; notes the project has involved over 120 volunteers with between three and nine groups out every week from Easter to October across several locations; further notes that in addition to litter picking from the mountains, roadsides and lakes in Snowdonia, volunteers have engaged in positive conversations with walkers and visitors imparting practical advice on how to keep Snowdonia litter-free; and wishes all those involved with the initiative the very best at the special volunteer thank you event being held at Bethesda Rugby Club on October 28.

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#### 504 BBC Radio services to global audiences

Tabled: 26/10/22 Signatories: 9

**Grahame Morris**  
**Jamie Stone**  
**Caroline Lucas**  
**Chris Stephens**  
**Liz Saville Roberts**  
**Claire Hanna**

John McDonnell

Kim Johnson

Colum Eastwood

That this House recognises the tremendous value of BBC radio broadcasts in providing a global audience with a reliable, accurate and trustworthy source of news and information; is concerned at the recent cuts announced to BBC World Service, with the loss of hundreds of experienced

journalists' jobs, and also to several dedicated BBC foreign language services which will now move to digital-only provision; notes that, as the experience in Ukraine has demonstrated, radio provides a vital life-line where digital-only services are lost owing to the blocking of internet access; is further concerned about the impact of the closure of BBC Persian radio and BBC Arabic radio in the light of recent events in Iran; and therefore calls on BBC management to review and reverse these cuts, and on the Government to return responsibility for the funding of BBC World Service to the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office.

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#### 505 Experiences of cancer support and services

Tabled: 26/10/22 Signatories: 1

**Amy Callaghan**

That this House commends the work of local authorities in Scotland, including East Dunbartonshire, on Improving the Cancer Journey; understands that cancer does not just affect physical wellbeing it impacts upon every aspect of life whether its financial, emotional, medical, or practical; notes this work helps to support people affected by cancer, their families, and carers by providing structured individualised help as soon as they need it; recognises that holistic support after diagnosis enables those living with cancer and beyond to live as well and independently as possible; further recognises the likelihood of this work to improve cancer outcomes and save lives; and further notes that these services work in partnership with Macmillan Cancer Support in Scotland.

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#### 506 Regulation of loot boxes in video games

Tabled: 26/10/22 Signatories: 1

**Dr Philippa Whitford**

That this House notes that the Government's recent call for evidence on the use of loot boxes in video games concluded that they may be linked to a range of potential harms and that there is a correlation between purchasing loot boxes and problem gambling as, while they do not meet the definition of gambling under the Gambling Act 2005 because the prize cannot be converted into money, they commonly provide a random reward which makes the purchase a gamble and are offered to the player in the heat of the game thereby putting the player under pressure to make the purchase; further notes that research by GambleAware highlighted that 93 per cent of children regularly play video games, with 25-40 per cent of them having purchased loot boxes; is concerned at the continued unregulated use of loot boxes in online games, particularly those aimed at children; welcomes the decision to have a DCMS-led technical working group to strengthen industry-led protections for children and adults to support safe gaming; and calls on the Government to bring forward legislation to remove loot boxes from games classified as Under 18 and to limit the cost and total expenditure of such in-game purchases.

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#### 507 Cardinal Allen Catholic High School and Geography Quality Mark Centre of Excellence

Tabled: 26/10/22 Signatories: 1

**Cat Smith**

That this House congratulates Cardinal Allen Catholic High School in Fleetwood on their Secondary Geography Quality Mark Centre of Excellence; notes that the school is one of just 132 schools to achieve the prestigious Geography Quality Mark which recognises and promotes quality and progress in geography leadership, curriculum development and learning and teaching in schools; and congratulates Cardinal Allen Catholic High School in this fantastic and well-deserved achievement.

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**508 Industrial action at Hinduja Global Solutions**

Tabled: 26/10/22 Signatories: 2

**Kim Johnson**  
**John McDonnell**

That this House supports members of the Public and Commercial Services Union who are employed by Hinduja Global Services as part of the Disclosure and Barring Service contract who are on strike in a long-running dispute over pay and terms and conditions; notes that staff working on this contract are demanding the real living wage of £10.90 per hour; is aware that the current pay offer from Hinduja Global Services of 3.25 per cent would result in many staff continuing to earn well below the real living wage at a time of rising inflation; further notes that Hinduja Global Services is owned by one of the richest families in the UK who have amassed a fortune of over £24 billion and can afford to pay its staff a real living wage; and calls on the Government to intervene in this dispute to ensure that these dedicated workers are treated fairly and receive adequate pay which reflects the rising cost of living.

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**509 Andy Crichton and Pride in the Job award**

Tabled: 26/10/22 Signatories: 1

**Neale Hanvey**

That this House congratulates Andy Crichton, the site manager at the Barratt development of Kingslaw Gait, in Kirkcaldy, on being awarded a prestigious Pride in the Job award by the National House Building Council; and sends its sincere best wishes to Andy for his continued success.

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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.

**464 Cost of using vehicles for work**

Tabled: 17/10/22 Signatories: 25

**Bob Blackman**  
**Carla Lockhart**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Christine Jardine**  
**Dan Jarvis**

Richard Foord

Emma Hardy

That this House recognises the impact that the increase in fuel prices and motoring costs is having on those who rely on their cars and personal vehicles for carrying out their work duties, particularly those in the NHS, local government and social care; notes that the current mileage rates are outdated and require immediate and urgent review by HMRC to reflect the soaring cost-of-living increases so that these workers can continue to carry out their jobs; notes that low-paid public service workers cannot afford to upgrade their vehicles to new, fuel efficient options and that mileage rates for frontline workers should reflect that; understands that temporary higher rates provided by employers are welcome but do not provide enough relief; and calls on the Treasury to ensure rates are regularly updated in the future to genuinely reflect the cost of using a vehicle for work so that workers are protected from future fuel price spikes.

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**468 Location of the British Embassy in Israel**

Tabled: 17/10/22 Signatories: 8

Layla Moran [R]  
Jonathan Edwards  
Chris Stephens  
Wendy Chamberlain  
Caroline Lucas  
Sarah Green

Munira Wilson

That this House urges the Foreign Office to cease its review regarding the location of the British Embassy in Israel and commit to keeping the embassy in Tel Aviv; maintains that moving the British Embassy in Israel to Jerusalem without a negotiated peace settlement will inflame already heightened tensions in the region and will make peace harder to achieve; expresses its concern that the very act of a review is itself hugely inflammatory; notes that such a move would be a breach of international law; recalls how the decision by the United States to move their Embassy, under former President Trump, resulted in violent clashes which resulted in the deaths of around sixty people; and affirms its support for a two-state solution, in which Israel and Palestine both exist with secure boundaries based on the 1967 lines with two capitals in Jerusalem recognised in international law.

**474 TUC Congress 2022 resolution on the cost of living**

Tabled: 18/10/22 Signatories: 28

Beth Winter  
Bell Ribeiro-Addy  
Nadia Whittome  
Zarah Sultana  
Richard Burgon  
Rebecca Long Bailey

Chris Stephens

That this House notes the TUC General Council Statement and associated motions on the cost-of-living crisis agreed at TUC Congress on 18 October 2022; agrees with the statement that workers are facing a real pay emergency; further agrees with its statement that a trade union agenda for change would be transformative for a country broken by twelve years of austerity and twelve years of standstill wages; welcomes the TUC's Demand Better protest on 18 June, its Lobby of Parliament on 2 November; and further welcomes its resolution to organise coordinated action over pay and terms and conditions where possible with all TUC unions, including further demonstrations, national and regional rallies, and coordinated industrial action where possible to achieve that goal.

**475 Councillor Connor MacManus: Young Councillor of the Year 2022**

Tabled: 18/10/22 Signatories: 12

Owen Thompson  
Jonathan Edwards  
Allan Dorans  
Chris Law  
Douglas Chapman  
Patrick Grady

Marion Fellows

Chris Stephens

That this House congratulates Councillor Connor MacManus on being named Young Councillor of the Year at the fifth annual Cllr Awards; applauds Councillor MacManus on his work as a Scottish National Party Councillor for Penicuik and District, Deputy Provost of Midlothian Council, and the Council's Equalities Champion, since his election in May 2021; notes that Councillor MacManus, aged 23, has been recognised for this award for his work to use his personal experience to reach out to young people through community work with local colleges, youth organisations, schools and local networks, with a view to making the council more inclusive to young people, as well as championing change in the areas of climate, equalities, and violence against women; recognises that the award of Young Councillor of the Year is awarded to a candidate who is a councillor aged 30 or under when last elected who demonstrates a commitment to working for the community using council structures and has contributed to or delivered a key council project which benefits residents; notes that the Cllr Awards, organised by the Local Government Information Unit, are the only awards to recognise and celebrate the work of Councillors; and encourages other young Councillors to be put forward in upcoming Cllr Awards in future years.

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**477 County lines and child criminal exploitation**

Tabled: 19/10/22 Signatories: 4

Helen Morgan  
Jonathan Edwards  
Mohammad Yasin  
Jim Shannon

That this House is alarmed at the expansion of county lines networks, recently exacerbated by covid-19; calls for clarification of laws to ensure that all young people who are groomed, coerced and controlled into committing crime are recognised as victims of trafficking and exploitation; advocates the adoption of a new public health approach to drug prevention that works with schools, pupil referral units and providers for those outside of mainstream education; notes the need for new local safeguarding partnerships enabling multi-agency work to identify and respond to child criminal exploitation; further notes that a system is required for seamlessly sharing data across borders and agencies and disrupting grooming and criminality that has migrated from the streets to encrypted apps; and calls upon the Government to introduce a stand-alone national strategy on child criminal exploitation that includes these recommendations as a matter of urgency.

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**478 Global hunger and the UN Sustainable Development Goals**

Tabled: 19/10/22 Signatories: 25

Tony Lloyd  
 Patrick Grady  
 Caroline Lucas  
 Dan Carden  
 Neale Hanvey  
 Claudia Webbe

Ms Marie Rimmer

Christine Jardine

Chris Stephens

That this House believes the lack of attention paid to global hunger has exacerbated this long-term and widespread issue; is concerned by warnings from the World Food Programme (WFP) of another year of record hunger; notes the number of hungry people globally increased from 282 million to 345 million during 2022; highlights that a fifth of the total population of Africa went hungry in 2021; further highlights that the WFP is currently holding back famine in Afghanistan, Ethiopia, Somalia, South Sudan and Yemen while hunger in Haiti is also reaching catastrophic levels; notes that Oxfam says food shortages are likely to cause one death every 36 seconds until the end of the year; further notes that hunger displaces millions of people who must search for sanctuary elsewhere; emphasises that these crises are caused by a combination of global factors including climate change, conflict and economic instability; recognises that the covid-19 pandemic led to an increased gap in the funding required to tackle global hunger; is dismayed that the world is set to fail the UN Sustainable Development Goal of Zero Hunger by 2030, with the percentage of the global population affected by hunger on track to reach almost 10 per cent by that year; highlights that a senior Somali Government official recently said the UK has lost its leading role on this issue; and calls on the Government to re-establish the UK as a leading actor by restoring the commitment to spending 0.7 per cent of GNI on international aid.

**480 Dunoon Grammar School and the World's Best School Prizes 2022**

Tabled: 19/10/22 Signatories: 9

Brendan O'Hara  
 Patrick Grady  
 Allan Dorans  
 Alison Thewliss  
 Anne McLaughlin  
 Alyn Smith

Chris Stephens

That this House congratulates the pupils and staff of Dunoon Grammar School in Argyll & Bute on winning the Community Collaboration category for the World's Best Schools Prizes 2022; commends this absolutely remarkable achievement and recognises it as just reward for a school which has under the leadership of Head Teacher David Mitchell and his staff, become a cornerstone of the wider Cowal community; applauds the commitment Dunoon Grammar School has shown to working with and for the benefit of their local community and for striving so hard to produce active, responsible, caring and engaged young citizens; recognises this success as being an historic landmark for the pupils and staff, a tremendous boost for the entire community, a source of great pride for Argyll & Bute, and a real triumph for Scottish education; and sincerely thanks everyone involved in securing this accomplishment for the dedication they have shown in making Dunoon Grammar School an exceptional centre of learning and wishes them all the best in the future.

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**482 Tommy Jessop and Heidi Carter and the Shaw Trust 2022 Disability Power 100 Shortlist**

Tabled: 20/10/22 Signatories: 7

**Dr Lisa Cameron**  
**Douglas Chapman**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Marion Fellows**

Chris Stephens

That this House congratulates Tommy Jessop and Heidi Carter on being voted onto the Shaw Trust Disability Power 100 list; recognises Mr Jessop's important contributions to drama, theatre, and the arts, including being the first actor with Down's syndrome to star in a BBC drama on prime-time, and Ms Carter's important contributions to law and politics, primarily through her tireless advocacy seeking to reform legislation to ensure that people with Down's syndrome are equally valued throughout their lives; applauds their determination to encourage and inspire others living with disability to capitalise on their true potential in the entertainment and other industries; affirms that all lives, including those living with Down's syndrome or disability, have equal value; and wishes Tommy and Heidi all the best in their future endeavours.

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**483 Ministerial severance payments**

Tabled: 20/10/22 Signatories: 15

**Alyn Smith**  
**Douglas Chapman**  
**Dr Philippa Whitford**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Stewart Malcolm McDonald**  
**Anne McLaughlin**

Chris Stephens

That this House recognises that the Ministerial and other Pensions and Salaries Act 1991 states that where a Minister of eligible age ceases to hold office and is not reappointed to a ministerial office within three weeks, they will be entitled to a severance payment of a quarter of their ministerial annual salary; notes that this legislation is extremely generous for Ministers who hold positions for less than 12 weeks; and calls on the Government to amend this legislation.

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**484 Detainment of Brian Glendinning in Iraq**

Tabled: 20/10/22 Signatories: 4

**Douglas Chapman**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Chris Stephens**

That this House recognises the plight of my constituent, Mr Brian Glendinning, who is currently detained in jail in Iraq where police, acting on an Interpol Red Notice, are holding him awaiting extradition proceedings to Qatar; further recognises that Mr Glendinning could face a jail sentence for what is understood to be a small bank debt from his time working and living in Qatar should extradition go through; notes that I have written to both the Qatari Ambassador and the Foreign Secretary to highlight my constituent's plight; further notes that the fact that the human rights of

our citizens remain in jeopardy is utterly unacceptable; and understands that I await a reply in the hope that we can see a positive resolution to this untenable impasse before Qatar holds the World Cup next month.

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**485 Upholding the integrity of the office of Prime Minister**

Tabled: **21/10/22** Signatories: **13**

**Daisy Cooper**  
**Stephen Farry**  
**Wendy Chamberlain**  
**Ed Davey**  
**Layla Moran**  
**Sarah Olney**

Chris Stephens

That this House believes that the upholding of standards by its Members is of vital importance to the functioning of UK democracy; believes that it is vital that the Prime Minister and Ministers uphold these standards; and therefore resolves that any hon. or right hon. Member who is found to have broken the law whilst in Government should be barred from holding Prime Ministerial Office.

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**486 Statutory maternity pay**

Tabled: **21/10/22** Signatories: **8**

**Ed Davey**  
**Stephen Farry**  
**Wera Hobhouse**  
**Wendy Chamberlain**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Jim Shannon**

Chris Stephens

That this House recognises the current legal framework for qualifying for statutory maternity pay is poorly suited to 21st century working life; notes with concern the potential limits this policy places on women's freedom to choose where they work, especially amidst the current cost of living crisis; recognises the lack of a statutory duty for prospective employers to disclose their maternity policies to prospective candidates prior to employment; and calls on the Government to reform the current provisions so that women who have held different jobs can transfer their length of employment as they change jobs for the purpose of qualifying for statutory maternity pay.

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**487 Cost of living and unpaid carers**

Tabled: 21/10/22 Signatories: 13

Ed Davey  
Helen Morgan  
Mr Alistair Carmichael  
Richard Foord  
Daisy Cooper  
Stephen Farry

Chris Stephens

That this House notes with concern the findings of Carers UK's survey entitled Heading for crisis: Caught between caring and rising costs, which reports that the cost of living crisis is plunging thousands of unpaid carers across the UK into debt; recognises that many family carers cannot make decisions to cut back on food or heating to stay afloat without affecting the safety of the person they care for; acknowledges the enormous financial burden people on Carers Allowance face, as they are limited in their ability to earn income but often shoulder additional costs for their loved ones out of their own pocket; condemns the lack of adequate financial support available for unpaid carers, with 39 percent of survey respondents saying they are struggling to make ends meet; and calls on the Government to immediately provide carers with the support they need by uprating Carers Allowance at least in line with inflation.

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**489 Centenary of Carfin Grotto**

Tabled: 21/10/22 Signatories: 10

Marion Fellows  
Patrick Grady  
Steven Bonnar  
Carol Monaghan  
Amy Callaghan  
Jim Shannon

Chris Stephens

That this House congratulates all those associated with Carfin Grotto in the Diocese of Motherwell, which was opened by Monsignor Thomas Canon Taylor in October 1922 as a place of pilgrimage, prayer and reflection dedicated to Our Lady of Lourdes; notes that the Grotto now attracts over 70,000 pilgrims each year from around the world, and that as part of the anniversary celebrations the Grotto was the Scottish host of the relics of St Bernadette Soubirous, the Lourdes visionary, which were visited by thousands of pilgrims in September 2022; further notes that a special anniversary Mass on 22 October 2022 was celebrated by the Apostolic Nuncio to Great Britain, and that to mark the anniversary the Grotto has been declared Scotland's National Marian Shrine by the Bishops' Conference of Scotland; and sends its best wishes to all those who serve, visit and pray at the Shrine as it enters its second century as a place of worship, devotion and pilgrimage.

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**490 World Stroke Day**Tabled: **24/10/22** Signatories: **9**

**Sir Robert Neill**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Sir Greg Knight**  
**Mohammad Yasin**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Apsana Begum**

Kim Johnson

Alan Brown

That this House recognises World Stroke Day, which takes place on 29 October; understands that over 100,000 strokes happen every year in the UK; is aware of thrombectomy, a game-changing treatment that significantly reduces disability after stroke; notes that emergency response time is crucial to the survival and recovery of a person experiencing stroke, and that improving this aligns with the Government's health priorities; and calls on the Government to support improved ambulance response times and access to specialist services, including thrombectomy.

**491 Angus Business Awards**Tabled: **24/10/22** Signatories: **4**

**Dave Doogan**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Chris Stephens**

That this House congratulates Forfar's Water Lilys on winning Best Fashion Boutique in the Angus Business Awards; commends owner Amy Donaldson and the whole team for their efforts and contribution to the local economy and streetscape in Forfar; notes their exceptional energy in establishing their new business in Forfar and their previous recognition for business excellence; encourages local businesses to take inspiration from Water Lilys' success; and wishes the team all the best for the future.

**492 ADHD Awareness Month 2022**Tabled: **24/10/22** Signatories: **9**

**Kirsten Oswald**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Apsana Begum**  
**Amy Callaghan**

Marion Fellows

Chris Stephens

That this House recognises that October is Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) awareness month, which aims to raise awareness and highlight the shared experiences of one of the most common neurodevelopmental conditions affecting children and adults across the world; notes that neurodiversity matters and that for children aged between five and 15 years old in the UK, 3.62 per cent of boys were considered to have ADHD compared to just 0.85 per cent of girls, raising questions regarding the potential underdiagnosis of female ADHD; recognises that there can be important differences in how ADHD presents in males and females and that this may explain why it is not uncommon for women with ADHD to be diagnosed as adults; notes the importance of effective support for the benefit of the individual with ADHD and their family; agrees that people are all different and that people should appreciate the many advantages associated with

different ways of thinking, while celebrating their differences; and applauds groups and campaign organisations across the UK for their work both in supporting those with ADHD and helping to share knowledge and information with the wider community.

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#### 494 Fundraising efforts of Bus Walker Neil Atherton

Tabled: 24/10/22 Signatories: 5

**Mike Amesbury**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Apsana Begum**  
**Chris Stephens**  
**Kim Johnson**

That this House recognises the efforts of Neil Atherton, nicknamed the Bus Walker, in raising awareness and funding for the charities The Whitechapel Centre and the Trussell Trust; notes that Neil is undertaking the challenge of walking the 105 miles of the bus routes he usually drives across Runcorn, Birkenhead, Bootle, St Helens, Liverpool and Southport; further notes that Neil began the challenge on Sunday 23 October 2022 and aims to complete the challenge in seven days; and wishes Neil all the best with this endeavour.

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#### 497 Cricket Ireland and T20 World Cup

Tabled: 25/10/22 Signatories: 3

**Jim Shannon**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Chris Stephens**

That this House celebrates Cricket Ireland's qualification for the Super 12 stage of the T20 World Cup; congratulates them on their victory which came after they eliminated two time champions West Indies following an astonishing nine-wicket victory in Hobart; further congratulates the instrumental efforts of Paul Stirling in adding 73 with Captain Andy Balbirnie for the first wicket and ending on 66 not out; commends this outstanding achievement for the whole Cricket Ireland team as the first time they have successfully made it through the first stage since 2009; recognises the newfound cricketing enthusiasm as a consequence of the Cricket Ireland's victory; and welcomes the boost for Cricket Ireland's cricketing reputation globally.

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#### 498 Derry City's Halloween Festival 2022

Tabled: 25/10/22 Signatories: 3

**Colum Eastwood**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Chris Stephens**

That this House recognises the contribution of the Derry Halloween Festival to the life and economy of Derry City; notes the globally renowned annual celebrations across the city have grown from strength to strength, with the original festival beginning over 35 years ago drawing on Derry's rich mythical, creative, and cultural history; further recognises the festival is Europe's biggest Halloween festival and that in 2019 it attracted 140,000 visitors; further notes that the covid-19 pandemic meant the festival had to be scaled down; congratulates the organisers of the festival and all those involved throughout its rich history; and notes that the festival welcomes all those visiting Derry City in the coming days and celebrates the return of the world's best Halloween festival to Derry.

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**499 NHS and privatisation**

Tabled: 25/10/22 Signatories: 26

Kate Osborne  
Barry Gardiner  
Richard Burgon  
Rachael Maskell  
Bell Ribeiro-Addy  
John McDonnell

Jonathan Edwards

Kate Hollern

That this House believes that privatisation of the NHS has failed, it has led to a crisis in the NHS with higher waiting lists, decisions made on cost not health needs, has led to billions of pounds being taken by private profit making companies at the expense of services; further believes that privatisation in the NHS is leading to thousands of excess deaths in the UK; believes the UK's free, comprehensive, universal healthcare system is at risk; affirms that insurance-based health service systems, such as in the US, are more expensive than the NHS, less efficient than the NHS and leave many millions without healthcare; welcomes the campaigning work from Your NHS Needs You, We Own it and SOS NHS that highlights the disastrous consequences of NHS privatisation and the growth of the UK health insurance industry; and recognises that we must fully renationalise the NHS in order to save UK lives.

**500 Orstead UK wind operations**

Tabled: 25/10/22 Signatories: 4

John McDonnell  
Jim Shannon  
Chris Stephens  
Kim Johnson

That this House condemns the behaviour of Orstead UK wind operations in the way it has failed consistently to maintain decent standards of employment, including health and safety standards, while it has resorted to bullying workers who have exposed health and safety failures and the lack of adherence to safe working practices; further notes the company's growing reputation for profiteering at the expense of its workers' health and safety, wage levels and conditions of employment; and expresses deep concern at the refusal of the company to recognise the Rail and Maritime Union (RMT), the union organising the company's workforce.

**501 Avanti West Coast contract extension**

Tabled: 25/10/22 Signatories: 3

Hywel Williams  
Chris Stephens  
Kim Johnson

That this House opposes the decision by the Department for Transport to grant the operator of the West Coast Main Line, Avanti West Coast, a six month contract extension; notes the importance of the line for millions of passengers such as those from the north of Wales and the north west of England who travel on it every year; is disappointed with the extremely poor service which Avanti has provided to passengers in recent years with cancellations, significant delays, overcrowding and high ticket prices now common which has resulted in many people traveling by car; further notes that Avanti paid out £11.5 million in dividends for the year 31 March 2021; and calls for the Government to remove the franchise from Avanti and to implement a publicly-run service that benefits both passengers and workers.

**502 Women's Health and Hormone Replacement Therapy**

Tabled: 25/10/22 Signatories: 6

**Christine Jardine**  
**Wendy Chamberlain**  
**Jamie Stone**  
**Layla Moran**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Chris Stephens**

That this House recognises that women's health has never been more in the news, especially concerning the problems with women accessing Hormone Replacement Therapy (HRT) drugs; notes that despite a new health strategy there remain fundamental differences between the way that men and women are treated in the NHS; further notes that in some conditions such as heart attacks, the symptoms for men and women can be quite different, with women often experiencing shortness of breath, feeling or being sick and back or jaw pain as heart attack symptoms; laments the fact that coronary heart disease kills more than twice as many women as breast cancer in the UK every year and that each year more than 30,000 women are admitted to hospital in the UK due to a heart attack; is concerned that female symptoms of heart attack are not well known; and calls on the Government to publicise female heart attack symptoms more widely, so that more women can recognise they may be having a heart attack and seek emergency help.