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New EDMs

531 **25th anniversary of Myeloma UK**

Deidre Brock Rachael Maskell Patrick Grady

Tabled: 3/11/22 Signatories: 3 eidre Brock

That this House extends its congratulations to Myeloma UK staff, volunteers and supporters as the organisation celebrates its 25th anniversary this year; recognises that over the last 25 years the charity has helped to transform lives through investing nearly £19 million into myeloma research; acknowledges that they have answered more than 60,000 calls via their free Infoline and have sent nearly two million publications to patients, families and health care professionals; notes that, when the charity started in 1997, average life expectancy for people diagnosed with myeloma was 12 to 24 months and that has now quadrupled to 4 to 8 years; further notes that, despite these incredible advances, myeloma has some of the longest times to diagnosis of any cancer, a median of 163 days from first symptom to diagnosis; calls on governments across the UK to ensure that future cancer strategies work for all cancer types including blood cancers such as myeloma; and wishes Myeloma UK the very best for the next 25 years and beyond.

532 PEEK Project and small employer of the year award

Tabled: 3/11/22 Signatories: 2

Alison Thewliss Patrick Grady

That this House notes the victory of the PEEK Project in the Small Employer of the Year category in the Herald's Top Employer Awards; notes that PEEK works to provide opportunities for children aged 0-18 and their families through play projects, creative arts projects, youth work, leadership, volunteering, peer training, education and internship projects across Glasgow; recognises that this great achievement is the result of PEEK's hard work to improve their workplace policies in line with

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its value statement, which promotes compassion, dignity, excellence, integrity and respect for both service users and staff; congratulates them on this fantastic achievement; and wishes them the best of luck in all future endeavours.

533 Glasgow Rens basketball team

Tabled: 3/11/22 Signatories: 2

Alison Thewliss Patrick Grady

That this House congratulates Glasgow Rens basketball team on their recent success in winning the 2022 Under 18s Scottish Cup; notes they competed in the tournament in April in Dundee and won 71 - 63 against Edinburgh Kings; understands that this was the first time in 16 years a Glasgow team has claimed the Under 18s Scottish Cup; notes that the final squad for the Scottish Cup contained players from many nationalities and from all over Glasgow; further notes the contribution of Ayman Kraria, who went on to compete in the Under 16s Great Britain national team, the only Scottish player to do so; and wishes all the players the very best in future tournaments.

Royal Mail industrial dispute and the universal service obligation

Tabled: 3/11/22 Signatories: 17

lan Lavery
Jon Trickett
Marsha De Cordova
Tony Lloyd
Kate Osborne
Dan Carden

Nadia WhittomeMary Kelly FoyJohn McDonnellBell Ribeiro-AddyCharlotte NicholsJon CruddasApsana BegumCat SmithZarah Sultana

Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck Rachael Maskell

That this House condemns the actions of Royal Mail which, it believes is threatening up to 10,000 job cuts from the postal service; notes that Royal Mail made £758 million in profit in the year to March 2022, but paid out most of that, around £567 million, to shareholders in dividends and a share buyback; further notes that Royal Mail reported record profits and is concerned of mismanagement of finances as they are now reporting that they are losing one million pounds a day; notes that Royal Mail imposed a 2 per cent pay award during a time of spiralling inflation and a cost of living crisis; considers that postal workers provide an important service to millions of people in every corner of the country and is an essential part of the UK's national infrastructure; notes that Royal Mail's business plan threatens the Universal Service Obligation set out in the Postal Services Act 2011; further considers that a cut to jobs will not only harm these workers but the communities that they serve including small business owners; considers that Royal Mail is abandoning mutually agreed plans for modernisation, choosing instead to pursue what it sees as an asset stripping agenda; further believes that this threatens the future of the company and is an unacceptable attack on the terms and conditions of postal workers; and calls on Royal Mail to negotiate a fair offer with the Communications Workers Union that values their service and hard work.

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.

481 Radiotherapy and the 10-Year Cancer Plan

Tabled: 20/10/22 Signatories: 12

Tim Farron
Jonathan Edwards
Mr Alistair Carmichael
Amy Callaghan
Jim Shannon
Rachael Maskell

Christine Jardine

That this House recognises that the cancer backlog is a national health emergency which urgently needs tackling and that cancer is the most time-critical and dangerous of all backlogs; further recognises that radiotherapy is an essential, readily available, high-tech and vital cancer treatment needed in 50 percent of cancer treatments and in 40 percent of cancer cures, which is internationally recognised as a model solution for cancer backlog recovery and can help reduce the waiting lists; but notes that the radiotherapy service is overlooked and currently only receives 5 percent of the NHS cancer budget; and therefore calls on the Government to ensure a new fully funded radiotherapy strategy is included in the upcoming 10-Year Cancer Plan.

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

Tabled: 20/10/22 Signatories: 11

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

Dr Philippa Whitford Margaret Ferrier

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.

483 Ministerial severance payments

Tabled: 20/10/22 Signatories: 19

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

Kirsty Blackman

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.

492 ADHD Awareness Month 2022

Tabled: 24/10/22 Signatories: 20

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

Kirsty Blackman

Hywel Williams

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.

493 Global Registry of Fossil Fuels

Tabled: 24/10/22 Signatories: 19

Caroline Lucas
Dan Carden
Wera Hobhouse
Tommy Sheppard
Zarah Sultana
Martyn Day

Hywel Williams

That this House notes that the 2021 UNEP Production Gap Report found that governments plan to produce more than twice the amount of fossil fuels in 2030 than is consistent with limiting warming to 1.5°C and calls for verifiable and comparable data on the location, quantities and ownership of fossil fuels; notes that, to date, climate change policy efforts have not focussed on reducing supply of those fuels; welcomes the launch of a new Global Registry of Fossil Fuels, the world's first public database of fossil fuel production and reserves expressed in CO2-equivalent, which is designed to give policymakers, investors and civil society the asset level data to help manage the phase-out of fossil fuels; is alarmed that the Global Registry shows producing and combusting the world's known fossil fuel reserves would emit over seven times more greenhouse gas emissions than the remaining carbon budget for 1.5C and more than all emissions produced since the industrial revolution; believes that the Registry will help give markets information to estimate which assets are likely to become stranded, act as a carbon budget assessment tool, help just transition planning, and promote government accountability for fossil fuel reserves and production within national territories; calls on the UK Government to join the governments of countries such as Germany, France, Tuvalu and Ireland, which have given diplomatic support to the Registry, and to commit to reporting to the Registry, which currently contains data for over 50,000 fields in 89 countries, covering 75 percent of global production.

504 BBC Radio services to global audiences

Tabled: 26/10/22 Signatories: 18

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

Hywel Williams

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.

Signatories: 15

505 **Experiences of cancer support and services**

Tabled: **26/10/22** Signatories: 9

Tabled: **26/10/22**

Amy Callaghan Jim Shannon **Liz Saville Roberts** Patricia Gibson **Patrick Grady Allan Dorans**

Kirsty Blackman

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.

506 Regulation of loot boxes in video games

Dr Philippa Whitford

Kirsty Blackman

Rachael Maskell **Patricia Gibson Carol Monaghan Patrick Grady Allan Dorans**

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.

511 Adopting ILO Convention 169 – Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Convention

Tabled: 27/10/22 Signatories: 9

Lloyd Russell-Moyle John McDonnell Claudia Webbe Jonathan Edwards Jim Shannon Chris Stephens

Ben Lake Hywel Williams Rachael Maskell

That this House notes with sadness the recent death in Brazil of an indigenous man who was the last of his tribe and known as The Man of the Hole; recognises that he was the only inhabitant left of the Tanaru Indigenous Territory in Rondonia state in the Western Brazilian Amazon and that his death represents a symbol of indigenous genocide; condemns the fact that the rest of his tribe had been massacred in a series of attacks since the 1970s; recognises that international organisation Survival say that with his death the genocide of his people is complete... the deliberate wiping out of an entire people by cattle ranchers hungry for land and wealth; condemns President Bolsnoaro's discriminatory and hostile approach to indigenous peoples; notes with concern that the UK is not a signatory to ILO (International Labour Organisation) Convention 169 – Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Convention 1989, a set of international laws designed to protect the rights of indigenous peoples despite British companies operating and trading with others within the Amazon region and other tribal areas; and calls upon the Government to immediately sign up to ILO Convention 169 and stand in solidarity with indigenous and tribal peoples whose rights and land must be protected.

Proposed re-opening of Haslar and Campsfield Immigration Removal Centres

Tabled: 28/10/22 Signatories: 13

Layla Moran Chris Stephens Wendy Chamberlain Stuart C McDonald John McDonnell Anne McLaughlin

Christine Jardine Ben Lake Hywel Williams

Rachael Maskell

That this House strongly opposes the Home Office's plan to re-open Haslar Immigration Removal Centre (IRC) in Gosport, Hampshire, which was closed down in 2015; notes the proposed re-opening of an IRC at the site of Campsfield House in Kidlington, Oxford, which combined with Haslar IRC will add a total of 1,000 new detention spaces, an increase of 33 per cent, and will cost the taxpayer £339 million; expresses concern that this reverses the Government's previous commitment to reducing the size and use of the immigration detention estate, made following Stephen Shaw's independent review of immigration detention in 2016 commissioned by the Home Office; believes that the £399 million of taxpayers' money could be spent in a more effective way to handle asylum cases humanely; further notes with concern that the re-opening of the IRCs has been specifically linked to the detainment of people before they are sent to Rwanda under the UK-Rwanda Migration and Economic Development Plan; further notes that seeking asylum is not a crime; raises concerns about the lack of effective safeguarding and inhumane conditions across the detention estate as a whole; remembers the 55 people known to have died whilst held under immigration powers since 2000, including 30 through suicide; calls on the Home Office to reverse its decision and

to ensure that Haslar IRC remains closed; and calls for an end to the practice of indefinite detention in the UK.

513 Global hunger and the UN Sustainable Development Goals (No. 2)

Tabled: 31/10/22 Signatories: 15

Tony Lloyd Jonathan Edwards Jim Shannon Richard Burgon Chris Stephens Dan Carden

Christine Jardine Ben Lake Hywel Williams

Rachael Maskell Patrick Grady

That this House is concerned by projections from the World Food Programme (WFP) that famine will take hold in parts of Somalia, with 7.1 million people facing acute food insecurity, while UNICEF estimates that a child has been sent to hospital over malnutrition every minute since August 2022; notes that a major cause of the crisis is the worst drought in the Horn of Africa for four decades; emphasises the role of climate change in this; highlights that the crisis has been worsened by conflict, with a correlation between areas projected to fall into famine and those impacted by non-state armed groups; notes that this also restricts humanitarian operations; stresses the impact of the war in Ukraine, with at least 90 per cent of Somalia's wheat coming from Russia and Ukraine prior to the February 2022 invasion; highlights that this crisis has displaced over a million people, while disease is spreading rapidly in displacement camps; is dismayed that the world is set to fail the UN Sustainable Development Goal of Zero Hunger by 2030; emphasises that a senior Somali Government official recently said the UK has lost its leading role on this issue; notes that this is despite the UK's ongoing commitment to providing security assistance to the Somali Government; and calls on the Government to (a) combine its security role in Somalia with greater humanitarian assistance, (b) support international and non-governmental humanitarian organisations operating in Somalia and (c) restore the commitment to spending 0.7 per cent of GNI on international aid.

514 **145 Years of St Patricks Church**

Tabled: 31/10/22 Signatories: 2

Jim Shannon Patrick Grady

That this House celebrates 145 years of the opening of the alter of St Patrick's Church Newtownards in Strangford and the dedication which took place this month; further notes the original opening of the Church on 24 October 1877 by Bishop Dorrian and the generosity of Lady Londonderry, who financed the whole project as an expression of her deep faith; underlines the goal of the Church as outlined in their celebratory literature as to inspire not just this generation but future generations to come to faith; highlights the power of prayer and love in a world of such rapid cultural change and celebrates the Churches efforts to bring healing, renewal and a reawakening of faith; and sincerely wishes St Patrick's Church and its parishioners all the best for the future.

517 Awareness and treatment of idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis

Tabled: 31/10/22 Signatories: 5

Sarah Green Jonathan Edwards Jim Shannon Wendy Chamberlain Rachael Maskell

That this House recognises the difficulties experienced by people with idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF); expresses concern at the lack of awareness of the condition which often results in delayed diagnoses; notes that while IPF is currently incurable, the medicines Pirfenidone and Nintedanib have been proven to slow down the progression of the condition; regrets that these medicines are only available to patients once the condition has already reduced their forced vital capacity (FVC) to between 50 and 80 per cent of the expected value; welcomes NICE's re-evaluation of the FVC criteria for treatment; and calls on the Government to improve treatment and care for those with IPF, including by raising awareness of the condition to encourage early diagnosis.

518 The Welsh Criminal Justice System: On the Jagged Edge

Tabled: 31/10/22 Signatories: 5

Liz Saville Roberts Jim Shannon Chris Stephens Ben Lake Hywel Williams

That this House celebrates the publication of The Welsh Criminal Justice System: On the Jagged Edge by Dr Robert Jones and Professor Richard Wyn Jones by University of Wales Press; notes that this is a ground-breaking and substantive academic engagement with the Welsh Criminal Justice system as a distinct entity; highlights the book's importance in providing much needed insight and analysis on outcomes in the Welsh system which have often been overlooked; further notes the system's current structural problems such as the lack of disaggregated justice data for Wales and the divided competencies between devolved support services and the reserved criminal justice system act as brakes on public understanding and the smooth functioning of the system; and reiterates the book's conclusion that justice should be devolved as a means to end the jagged edge of justice in Wales and to bring about wider transformational change.

519 Common Platform dispute

Tabled: 31/10/22 Signatories: 13

Liz Saville Roberts John McDonnell Ms Diane Abbott Kim Johnson Kate Hollern Jeremy Corbyn

Ben Lake Hywel Williams Rachael Maskell

That this House supports members of the Public and Commercial Services union employed as legal advisors and court associates by His Majesty's Courts and Tribunal Service who are taking strike action in a dispute over the roll-out of the Common Platform; notes that the Common Platform is supposed to be a shared interface between all criminal justice process users, where cradle-to-grave details of a case can be entered, recorded and accessed as appropriate by each agency, becoming

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an integral part of the criminal justice system; is aware that PCS members have raised numerous concerns regarding the roll-out of the digitalised system, including warrants not reaching prisons, defendants being released from custody in error and protective orders not reaching the police; is concerned by reports that HMCTS had indicated to staff representatives that it would pause the roll-out until the new year but have since reneged on this offer, instead continuing to roll-out the failing system; and calls on the Government to intervene urgently to ensure that the justice system is served by a properly functioning system that is supported by staff and serves victims and defendants effectively.

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520 Carbon capture and storage

Mr Barry Sheerman Jim Shannon Kenny MacAskill Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck Mohammad Yasin Christine Jardine

Rachael Maskell

That this House notes the immense potential of carbon capture and storage technology (CCS) for mitigating climate change, helping the UK to reach net-zero by 2050, and stimulating economic growth; is pleased that the Government is planning to deploy CCS by the mid-2020s and urges the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy to make this a policy priority; recognises that the UK has an unrivalled asset in the North Sea for carbon storage and that if utilised could store the entirety of captured carbon from European Union member states; encourages the Government to ensure this capacity is developed and that revenue is reinvested in coastal regions in the North; further encourages the Government to develop an effective reporting framework for UK CCS projects before they become operational to allow for effective monitoring of carbon captured, transported and stored; further notes that there is no agreed international framework for reporting the precise amounts of carbon captured; and believes the UK should manage and maintain a global reporting framework to position itself as a global technology leader in CCS.

521 Elephant Endotheliotropic Herpesvirus

Grahame Morris
Jim Shannon
Mr Barry Sheerman
Ben Lake
Hywel Williams
Liz Saville Roberts

Tracey Crouch Rachael Maskell

That this House is concerned about the increasing risk of extinction of Asian elephants; praises the conservation efforts of Chester Zoo including their ground-breaking scientific research in collaboration with the University of Surrey into the development of a vaccine to combat Elephant Endotheliotropic Herpesvirus which has a fatality rate of over 80 per cent in young elephants; and calls on the Government to support conservation zoos in their mission to prevent extinction.

522 St Andrew's High School, Coatbridge and UNICEF Gold Rights Respecting School Award

Tabled: 1/11/22 Signatories: 19

Steven Bonnar Allan Dorans Jim Shannon Marion Fellows Douglas Chapman Patricia Gibson

David Linden Stewart Hosie Kirsty Blackman

Owen Thompson Patrick Grady

That this House congratulates the pupils and staff of St Andrew's High School in Coatbridge on receiving the prestigious Gold Rights Respecting School award from UNICEF; notes that the Gold award is the highest accolade that UNICEF can bestow on a school and that it recognises St Andrews' High Schools steadfast and continuous commitment to children's rights at all levels of school life; acknowledges that the school has embedded the principles of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child into its ethos and curriculum; further recognises the excellent work of Headteacher Mr Peter Holmes, all of his staff, particularly Ms Megan Connor the school's rights respecting lead; and wishes everyone at St Andrew's High, Coatbridge every success for the future.

523 Second anniversary of the conflict in Tigray

Tabled: 1/11/22 Signatories: 14

Dame Angela Eagle Brendan O'Hara Jim Shannon Jonathan Edwards Rushanara Ali Jeremy Corbyn

Marsha De Cordova Ben Lake Hywel Williams Liz Saville Roberts Rachael Maskell Patrick Grady

That House deplores the widespread use of rape and use of violence against women and girls by all the belligerent parties, noting that Tigrayan women have been recognised by the UN to have been subjected to particular violence leaving an estimated 26,000 in need of services; regrets the loss of life of 500,000 civilians in Tigray, killed from violence and famine, the displacement of more than 1.6 million by this conflict, and the mass detention of many thousands; calls on the Government to press through bilateral and multilateral channels for (i) an immediate ceasefire in Tigray, Ethiopia, without preconditions, and for the establish of an internationally recognised ceasefire monitoring mechanism, (ii) immediate lifting of the 17-month humanitarian blockade on Tigray with unrestricted access and restoration of services, (iii) imposition of sanctions in line with those proposed by the US Administration, (iv) withdrawal of bilateral and multilateral financial support for Ethiopia until it ceases its bombardment of civilians in Tigray and guarantees humanitarian access, (v) immediate and total withdrawal of Eritrean forces from Tigray and (vi) full access to all parties and areas for the UN Human Rights Council's Commission Of International Experts on Ethiopia; notes the Government is hosting an important global conference on the use of sexual violence in conflict; and calls on the Government to give an urgent priority to ending the use of such violence in Ethiopia.

524 Domestic abuse and coercive behaviour education

Tabled: 1/11/22 Signatories: 8

Layla Moran Jim Shannon Wera Hobhouse Wendy Chamberlain Ben Lake Hywel Williams

Liz Saville Roberts

Rachael Maskell

That this House recognises the importance of the survivor-led "Make It Mandatory campaign" backed by the domestic violence charity Refuge; gives special thanks to survivors, particularly founder Faustine Petron and her team, for their tireless campaigning efforts to prevent domestic abuse amongst young people through education; notes with concern that half of 16 to 19-year-olds surveyed by Refuge said they had experienced controlling or coercive behaviour in a relationship; further notes that a third of those surveyed said they would not know where, or who, to turn to for support if they were experiencing abuse; expresses alarm that only half of the young people surveyed said they had received education on domestic abuse despite this being mandatory in secondary schools since 2020; and therefore urges the Government to embed education on domestic abuse and controlling or coercive behaviour in the school curriculum by enforcing it in all secondary schools and making it mandatory for all sixth forms as well as expanding training for staff in educational settings.

525 TIGA UK games education awards

Tabled: 1/11/22 Signatories: 3

Chris Law Jim Shannon Patrick Grady

That this House congratulates winners of the prestigious Education Awards 2022 hosted by The Independent Game Developers' Association (TIGA), particularly Marco Gilardi lecturer at the University of the West of Scotland who won the TIGA Innovation in Teaching Award and Hawthorne Games from Abertay University who won the Creative Assembly Best Student Game 2022; notes that 80 per cent of the games development workforce is qualified to degree level or above; recognises the economic importance of the sector which contributes £2.9 billion to UK GDP annually; acknowledges the industry's support of growth in clusters throughout the UK with 80 per cent of the workforce based outside of London; further notes TIGA's vision to make the UK the best place in the world to develop video games excellence and exceptional talent in our sector; and commends all the excellent students, universities and educational practices celebrated by the Education Awards.

526 **S4C 40th anniversary**

Tabled: 1/11/22 Signatories: 6

Ben Lake
Jim Shannon
Liz Saville Roberts
Hywel Williams
Jonathan Edwards
Patrick Grady

That this House celebrates the 40th birthday of S4C; notes that the channel has been at the heart of Welsh cultural life for four decades and continues to play a central role as a key promoter of the Welsh language to new audiences, giving a global platform to the language and giving hundreds of thousands of people access to news, entertainment, drama and documentaries; acknowledges that the broadcaster was only established as a result of many years of protest, including by Plaid Cymru's first MP, Gwynfor Evans; argues that only by devolving broadcasting to Wales can the long-term future of this treasured national institution be safeguarded; and calls on the Government to provide further resources to S4C, and a fairer settlement to public service broadcasters whose work contributes to the shared goal of securing a mullion Welsh speakers by 2050.

527 Disability and the cost of living crisis

Tabled: 2/11/22 Signatories: 4

Debbie Abrahams Marsha De Cordova Kate Hollern Ben Lake

That this House congratulates the Greater Manchester Disabled People's Panel on their recent Big Disability Survey, the largest survey of disabled people in the UK, and the report highlighting the barriers disabled people face; notes its key findings, that disabled people in Greater Manchester are living under a threefold assault on their rights and quality of life: firstly, through austerity, then covid-19 and now as a result of the cost- of- living crisis; further notes its finding that disabled people are experiencing shocking levels of poverty; furthers notes disabled people are commonly often unaware of their rights under legislation and when they are aware, have little access to legal advice provision and advocacy and are often also digitally excluded and have a right to accessible information; notes its recommendations, firstly to increase disabled people's income, secondly to provide decent, affordable and accessible housing and finally to ensure the protection of disabled people's human rights, as defined under the UN Conventions of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities; and calls on the Government to recognise these findings and incorporate their recommendations into Government's spending plans.

529 Canon Father John Hall of St Peter's and St David's Churches in Fleetwood

Tabled: 2/11/22 Signatories: 2

Cat Smith Patrick Grady

That this House acknowledges and celebrates the good work done by Canon Father John Hall in Fleetwood; is grateful for his vision for and commitment to The Pantry and so much good work in the community; wish him all the best for the future as he leaves his role with us in Fleetwood and thanks him for his time, compassion and dedication to those in need in Fleetwood.

530 Reopening of South Georgia Museum

Tabled: 2/11/22 Signatories: 3

Mr Alistair Carmichael Wendy Chamberlain Ben Lake

That this House welcomes the reopening of the world's most remote museum in South Georgia; notes that a small all-female team, including Shetlander Helen Balfour, has travelled 8,000 miles to Antarctica to open the museum for the first time since the Covid pandemic; notes that around 15,000 visitors are expected to visit the island during the tourist season; supports the efforts of the South Georgia Heritage Trust; and recognises the legacy of generations of seafarers and explorers from across Scotland and the Northern Isles in particular in the Arctic and Antarctic.