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Early Day Motions tabled on Friday 2 December 2022

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New EDMs

659 British Transport Police's Railway Guardian app

Tabled: 2/12/22 Signatories: 1

Christine Jardine

That this House believes that all people should be able to travel on public transport without fear of harassment or violence; recognises that transport users still face unacceptable behaviour from fellow passengers and that more can be done to prevent this; and supports British Transport Police, and its partners, including Transport for London, Transport for Wales and Transport for Scotland, police forces, train operating companies and other organisations, in their effort to tackle violence and harassment on the rail network through their Railway Guardian reporting and bystander intervention advice app.

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.

597 Funding for fire and rescue services

Tabled: 21/11/22 Signatories: 57

Mary Kelly Foy
Zarah Sultana
Claudia Webbe
Jonathan Edwards
Kim Johnson
Richard Burgon

Ronnie Cowan

That this House recognises and celebrates the significant role firefighters play in society, particularly in the face of increasing extreme weather events and the part they played during the pandemic

that included delivering medicines to the vulnerable, supporting the ambulance service and moving the bodies of the deceased; further recognises that the fire and rescue service has suffered central funding cuts of around 30 per cent since 2010, resulting in the loss of more than 11,500 frontline firefighters; is concerned that lives could be put at risk from further cuts; acknowledges that firefighters have lost approximately £4,000 in real terms over the past decade; notes with dismay that some firefighters are resorting to food banks; further notes when inflation is taken into account, the 5 per cent offer from the employers that was rejected by the Fire Brigades Union still represents a further cut in real wages; calls for urgent central Government funding for fire and rescue services; and urges employers and the Government to give firefighters a fair pay rise.

600 Pension Credit

Tabled: 22/11/22 Signatories: 19

Patricia Gibson
Jim Shannon
John McDonnell
Jonathan Edwards
Allan Dorans
Caroline Lucas

Anne McLaughlin

That this House welcomes the Government's promotion of Pension Credit to increase its uptake, at long last, given that research by Independent Age had shown that only 61 per cent of those eligible were receiving it; appreciates that Pension Credit can be a gateway benefit for low income pensioners; is concerned by reports of lengthy delays to the processing of Pension Credit claims, with some pensioners forced to wait several months before payment is made; is disappointed by the failure of the Government to prepare for the increase in Pension Credit claims made as a result of its own awareness campaign; calls for additional support to be given to the Department for Work and Pensions to assist processing Pension Credit claims; and recognises the need for immediate action to ensure the most vulnerable in our society receive the support promised by Pension Credit to protect them during what will be a harsh winter.

602 Young Women Lead Programme

Tabled: 22/11/22 Signatories: 9

Kirsten Oswald
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans
Patrick Grady
Alison Thewliss
Chris Law

Anne McLaughlin

That this House recognises the significant achievements of the Young Women Lead programme upon the completion of their 'Community Places Community Spaces' project which began in May 2022; notes that the project was formulated with a passion for the provision of community services and a desire to highlight what services are available to people across Renfrewshire and East Renfrewshire; appreciates that the six month project involved a series of workshops and online discussions which culminated in the creation of a website with an interactive map showing the various community services available across the local authorities; understands that the Young Women Lead programme caters for women and non-binary people aged 16-30, is facilitated by YWCA Scotland, and offers young people unique and exciting training opportunities; puts on record that the group of young people involved in the Community Places Community Spaces project are all

passionate about connecting community services and have a strong belief that information about local services should be easy to access; and wishes everyone involved in the Young Women Lead programme the very best for the future.

607 Heartland FM and the 2022 Community Radio Awards

Tabled: 22/11/22 Signatories: 9

Pete Wishart
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans
Patrick Grady
Alison Thewliss
Chris Law

Anne McLaughlin

That this House congratulates Heartland FM on being awarded the silver trophy in the prestigious Station of the Year category for the second year in a row at the 2022 Community Radio Awards; understands that the awards recognise community radio stations across the UK and the excellent service they provide to their listeners; and further congratulates Heartland FM on celebrating its 30th anniversary this year, making it the longest running community-owned radio station in the UK.

608 Carers Rights Day 2022

Tabled: 23/11/22 Signatories: 19

Ed Davey
Wendy Chamberlain
Richard Foord
Wera Hobhouse
Christine Jardine
Tim Farron

Anne McLaughlin

That this House supports Carers Rights Day, taking place on 24 November 2022; recognises this year's theme of Caring Costs, which acknowledges the enormous financial, mental and emotional burden faced by millions of unpaid carers looking after their loved ones across the UK; notes that many unpaid carers go unrecognised by both themselves and the Government; commends Carers Rights Day's goals of increasing awareness, recognition and support for carers; notes the need for a strategic approach from the Government to identify and support unpaid carers; and calls on the Government to immediately give carers the support they need by uprating Carers Allowance at least in line with inflation.

609 Danderhall and District Guerilla Gardeners

Tabled: 23/11/22 Signatories: 9

Owen Thompson
Patrick Grady
Alison Thewliss
Allan Dorans
Douglas Chapman
Patricia Gibson

Anne McLaughlin

That this House congratulates Danderhall and District Guerilla Gardeners on being awarded the Best in Britain award from Britain in Bloom for their Child Miner memorial site at the Wisp; notes that the memorial site, rockery and gateway sign are all designed to commemorate the role of children in Midlothian mining communities and the shocking deaths that occurred in the mines; recognises that Britain in Bloom is the UK's nationwide gardening competition and works to strengthen communities and tackle local issues through recognising the work of gardening groups; and wishes the gardeners all the very best for the presentation of this award at the memorial site on Sunday 27 November 2022.

610 Penicuik Athletic FC's victory in the under-16s Girls Cup Final

Tabled: 23/11/22 Signatories: 9

Owen Thompson
Patrick Grady
Allan Dorans
Jonathan Edwards
Patricia Gibson
Jim Shannon

Anne McLaughlin

That this House congratulates Penicuik Athletic FC on their 3-1 victory against Giffnock SC in the under-16s Girls Cup Final this week; further congratulates Caitlin Waterson, Emily Brown and Emily Reid on their goals during the game, as well as head coach Steven Clarke and the whole team; notes the club's history reaching back to 1888 and continued contributions to Scottish football over the years; recognises the extremely hard work the team has put into training; further notes the importance of maintaining opportunities for young women and girls to take part in sport in Midlothian; and wishes the team the very best of luck in now playing in the under-18s.

612 National eye health strategy

Tabled: 23/11/22 Signatories: 13

Marsha De Cordova
Claudia Webbe
Christine Jardine
Ian Lavery
Kim Johnson
Rachael Maskell

Richard Burgon

That this House recognises that over two million people in the UK are living with conditions which cause sight loss; notes that 250 people lose their sight every day and sight loss costs the UK economy £36 billion per year; further notes that NHS eye care services are facing significant

pressures, with ophthalmology accounting for almost ten per cent of NHS waiting lists; and calls for the development of a National Eye Care Strategy which would focus on improved health outcomes, eliminate the postcode lottery of eye care treatment, address the inequities in access to, and provision of, eye care services, reduce the backlog, ensure positive patient experiences, ensure providers of care are joined up, maximise workforce capacity and skills and make better use of research and innovation.

614 Stewart Maxwell's service to Kirkintilloch Rob Roy F.C.

Tabled: **24/11/22** Signatories: **8**

Amy Callaghan
Allan Dorans
Patrick Grady
Patricia Gibson
Jim Shannon
Chris Law

Anne McLaughlin

That this House congratulates Stewart Maxwell, football manager, for his 10-year service to Kirkintilloch Rob Roy F.C. which has had a proud history since its establishment in 1878; further congratulates him on his appointment as new manager of Pollok F.C., recognising the significant role he will go on to play there; commends the lasting and significant contribution he has made; and acknowledges him and assistant manager Chris McFadyen for the outstanding work they have done with the club and their commitment to sport in the local area.

615 Turkish airstrikes against Kurds in Syria

Tabled: **28/11/22** Signatories: **8**

Chris Stephens
Patricia Gibson
Allan Dorans
Jim Shannon
Jonathan Edwards
Martin Docherty-Hughes

Anne McLaughlin

This House notes with concern the intensive Turkish air assault that has hit Kurdish majority towns across north and northeast Syria which began at midnight on 19 November 2022, reportedly having killed 13 civilians and injuring many others; further notes that basic civilian infrastructure was being targeted in those strikes; notes that the Kurdistan Workers Party (PKK) and the Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF) have both strongly condemned the attack; is deeply concerned that the Turkish Government has allocated responsibility for the attack to the PKK and the SDF; notes that the Turkish Government has frequently asserted a policy of seeking to control a band of Syrian territory adjacent to the Syria-Turkey border; notes that the US State Department stated that it was communicating with Ankara publicly and privately to stop those attacks; calls on the Foreign Secretary to make representations to counterparts in the Turkish Government with a view to immediately ceasing the airstrikes which are in breach of international law; and further calls on the Government to call publicly for an immediate cessation of such airstrikes.

617 Out of hours care for people with a terminal illness (No. 2)

Tabled: 28/11/22 Signatories: 7

Sir George Howarth
 Jim Shannon
 Wendy Chamberlain
 Jonathan Edwards
 Margaret Ferrier
 Chris Stephens

Richard Burgon

That this House notes with concern evidence from Marie Curie's latest Better End of Life Report published in November 2022, which shows significant gaps in out-of-hours services in the community for people at the end of life and their carers, and the link between not being able to access services at home during nights and weekends and emergency department attendances during these periods; recognises that each year around 780,000 emergency out-of-hours visits to A&E occur for people approaching the end of life and that 24/7 palliative care telephone advice lines can play a significant role in meeting the need for out-of-hours support, thereby reducing ambulance use, A&E attendance and hospital admissions; commends The Integrated Mersey Palliative Care Team (IMPACT) designated 24/7 palliative care advice line which means that rather than having to ring 999, a single contact number connects people with a terminal illness and their carers to professionals with specialist palliative care expertise who can provide the advice they need on managing symptoms, controlling pain, access to medicines and support at home at the time when it is needed; and notes that 69 per cent of UK areas surveyed do not consistently provide a designated 24/7 palliative care advice line for terminally ill people and their carers and, of these, over one in four areas surveyed had no such advice line at all.

619 16 Days of activism against gender-based violence campaign

Tabled: 28/11/22 Signatories: 13

David Linden
 Patricia Gibson
 Allan Dorans
 Jim Shannon
 Drew Hendry
 Chris Law

Anne McLaughlin

Richard Burgon

That this House supports 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence which is an annual international campaign which commenced this year on 25 November, the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, and will run until Human Rights Day on 10 December; recognises that violence against women and girls is the most pervasive breach of human rights worldwide; notes with regret that violence against women and girls is estimated to affect more than one in three women, a figure that has remained largely unchanged over the last decade; commends the objectives of the campaign which include calling for global action to increase awareness, galvanising advocacy efforts and sharing knowledge and innovations to end violence against women and girls once and for all; and advocates for all to take part in the 16 Days of Activism and amplify the important work of women's rights activists.

621 Campaign for justice for the victims of the Bhopal gas leak

Tabled: 28/11/22 Signatories: 43

Navendu Mishra
Bell Ribeiro-Addy
Mr Virendra Sharma
Ben Lake
Chris Law
Jim Shannon

Richard Burgon

That this House remembers the terrible disaster that took place on 2 December 1984 in Bhopal, India, when a major poisonous gas leak from the Union Carbide pesticide plant resulted in more than 600,000 people being exposed to the highly toxic methyl isocyanate gas; notes that Amnesty International has stated that more than 100,000 people now live with contaminated water supplies and exposure to the chemicals, as well as a range of health problems and chronic illnesses caused by the disaster; commends the work of the late journalist Mr Rajkumar Keswani who reported on inadequate safety measures at the plant several years before the disaster; further notes that current owners, Dow Chemicals, need to urgently rectify the environmental damage and properly compensate the victims, survivors and their families; commends the work of Indian civil society groups, the International Campaign for Justice in Bhopal, the TUC, UNISON and Action for Bhopal in campaigning on this issue; and calls for those responsible to be brought to justice so that the victims who have been waiting 38 years for justice finally receive closure.

622 Plastics

Tabled: 28/11/22 Signatories: 30

Geraint Davies
Rosie Duffield
Tony Lloyd
Caroline Lucas
Tim Farron
John McNally

Anne McLaughlin

Richard Burgon

That this House notes that according to the UN there will be more plastic in the sea than fish by 2050; calls for the Government to publish a strategy for promoting a circular economy in respect of plastics, including setting targets and measures for the elimination and recycling of single-use plastics; calls for Secretary of State for Environment to establish a task force to develop proposals to encourage the use of reuse and refill models of packaging, to report annually to Parliament on the implementation of the strategy, to ensure that UK targets for the elimination and recycling of plastic packaging are more demanding than equivalent targets set by the European Union, and to require manufacturers and retailers to pay for the cost of recycling plastic; calls for Government to set annual targets for reducing the quantity of plastic waste that is incinerated; and calls for the Secretary of State of the Environment to publish a plan for banning the export of plastic waste by 2027, make provision for the purpose of reducing the cost of recycling plastic, including measures to encourage the standardisation of plastic packaging, give powers to the Office for Environmental Protection to enforce legislation relating to plastic pollution, and make provision for the purpose of encouraging the development of sustainable alternatives to plastic packaging; and calls for the Government to publish a plan for the use of fiscal policy to incentivise investment in recycling infrastructure and sustainable behaviour by consumers and retailers.

623 Craigie High School, Dundee

Tabled: 28/11/22 Signatories: 8

Stewart Hosie
Patricia Gibson
Allan Dorans
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Stewart Malcolm McDonald

Anne McLaughlin

This House congratulates Craigie High School, in Dundee, for winning the Safety Groups UK Award for Development Through Education - and the Scottish Chamber of Safety Silver Punch Bowl - for a project featuring its Watch your Back video as part of its LOcHER project; notes that the judges were highly impressed with the way the team took a traditional health and safety issue in back injury to create an enjoyable and effective educational process through a video and music lyrics that can be shared more widely to leave a lasting impact; further notes that it was also Highly Commended under the Innovation Award category and welcomes the fact that these awards recognised safety groups that have involved learners of any age in an initiative which demonstrates effective educational engagement to advance health and safety.

625 The Scotch Professors and the 150th anniversary of the world's first international football match

Tabled: 29/11/22 Signatories: 6

Brendan O'Hara
Patrick Grady
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Chris Stephens
Anne McLaughlin

That this House recognises the 150th anniversary of the world's first international football match, which took place between Scotland and England on 30 November 1872 at the West of Scotland Cricket Ground in Partick, Glasgow; acknowledges that the match, which finished nil-nil, has huge historical significance as it was a very early example of the distinctive Scottish style of playing football, one which was predicated on a passing, combination game, with a greater emphasis on teamwork, as opposed to the individualistic, dribbling style that was prevalent in England at the time; further notes that this distinctive style of football which by 1872 had become the hallmark of the game in Scotland, and became known the Scotch Professor style of play, is credited by historians of the game as having changed the nature of football around the world; congratulates Mr. Ged O'Brien, founder of the Scottish Football Museum for all his research into the origins of the game in Scotland; and thanks him for sharing that knowledge with his pupils at St. Andrew's RC Secondary in Carntyne, Glasgow, who are actively promoting the legacy of Scotch Professors and how their innovative footballing philosophy was quickly adopted by every country which has played the game since.

628 Maid of the Loch and the National Historic Ships UK Annual Awards

Tabled: 29/11/22 Signatories: 7

Martin Docherty-Hughes
Patrick Grady
Jim Shannon
Owen Thompson
Chris Law
Chris Stephens

Anne McLaughlin

That this House congratulates the Maid of the Loch restoration crew on being awarded Group Winner of the Marsh Volunteer Award for Historic Vessel Conservation 2022 at the National Historic Ships UK Annual Awards; believes that this award is a welcome and timely recognition for the valuable and dedicated work carried out by volunteers over the years to restore this much loved vessel on Loch Lomond with the aim of her being relaunched as a fully operational paddle steamer; and wishes all those involved in the Loch Lomond Steamship Company the best of luck in their endeavours.

629 Lisa Halley, Guide Dogs Outstanding Person of the Year

Tabled: 29/11/22 Signatories: 5

Chris Law
Jim Shannon
Chris Stephens
Christine Jardine
Anne McLaughlin

That this House congratulates Lisa Halley from Dundee on her award of Outstanding Person of the Year at the Guide Dogs People Awards 2022; notes that Lisa received this award for her brilliant work to graduate with a degree in psychology from Abertay University in 2020; recognises that she was supported throughout her studies by her dual guide dog Jumble, who helped give her the confidence to start university; thanks all at Guide Dogs for the excellent work that they do across the country to support people in our local communities; and wishes Lisa, Jumble and all at Guide Dogs all the best for the future.

630 Inverness Maritime and Coastguard Search and Rescue: Award

Tabled: 29/11/22 Signatories: 6

Drew Hendry
Jim Shannon
Jonathan Edwards
Chris Law
Chris Stephens
Anne McLaughlin

That this House congratulates Inverness-based Maritime and Coastguard Search and Rescue crew on recently being awarded the 2022 Prince Philip Helicopter Rescue Award; notes that this award is given to an individual member of a helicopter crew, a complete crew or the crews of multiple helicopters, for an act of outstanding courage or devotion to duty in the course of land or sea search and rescue operations; recognises that Captain Rob Green, Captain Simon Hammock, Philip Candle and Duncan Tripp MBE are joint recipients of the award for their efforts in March of this year where they conducted a highly demanding rescue in the most extreme of weather conditions; commends the crew for displaying the highest standard of crew-cooperation, judgement and

handling skills to ensure a safe outcome for those in danger; and pays thanks to all those who dedicate their lives to the search and rescue of those who need it.

631 Begg Shoes, Inverness: Living Wage Scotland Newcomer Award

Tabled: 29/11/22 Signatories: 5

Drew Hendry
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Chris Stephens
Anne McLaughlin

That this House congratulates Begg Shoes in Inverness on recently being awarded the Living Wage Scotland Newcomer Award; recognises their commitment to adopting the real Living Wage after covid-19 pandemic, particularly given the challenges local retailers faced during this time; notes that Begg Shoes pay their staff above the Real Living Wage rate to help protect living standards for their staff; and recognises the ongoing work of Living Wage Scotland to increase the number of employees receiving the real living wage across Scotland.

634 Lorna Stanger runs 112 miles for RASASH

Tabled: 29/11/22 Signatories: 5

Drew Hendry
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Chris Stephens
Anne McLaughlin

That this House congratulates Lorna Stanger on recently running 112 miles from Inverness to Thurso to raise awareness for those impacted by gender-based violence; recognises that Lorna set off on her run following RASASH (Rape and Sexual Assault Service Highland)'s Reclaim the Night March on Friday the 25 of November in Inverness which aimed to raise awareness of the issue of gender-based violence; and notes that this was the first day of the United Nations 16 days of activism against gender-based violence which invites everyone to play their role in ending violence against women and girls and show support and solidarity to women's rights activists.

635 Members' attendance in the House

Tabled: 29/11/22 Signatories: 10

Christine Jardine
Wendy Chamberlain
Jamie Stone
Chris Law
Wera Hobhouse
Munira Wilson

Mr Alistair Carmichael

That this House believes that there should be a change to the Code of Conduct for Members of Parliament to set a limit to the number of days Members can spend being paid to take part in the recording of entertainment television programmes abroad while the House is sitting.

636 Contribution to the community of Cumnock by Marion Gilliland

Tabled: 30/11/22 Signatories: 3

Allan Dorans
Jim Shannon
Anne McLaughlin

That this House recognises and congratulates Marion Gilliland of Cumnock on being named Scotland's High Street hero at the recent Scottish Towns Partnership awards ceremony; notes her outstanding contribution and commitment to the community of Cumnock for over thirty years through her work with the Cumnock Business Association and the significant difference made by her in improving the local area and businesses; and further notes Marion's support of local and national charities including raising over twenty four thousand pounds for Motor Neurone Disease whilst suffering personal ill health.

637 Xinjiang fire and zero covid protests

Tabled: 30/11/22 Signatories: 4

Layla Moran [R]
Wera Hobhouse
Jim Shannon
Mr Alistair Carmichael

That this House acknowledges with concern the fire that took place in the Xinjiang region of China, on Friday 25 November, killing 10 people, and leading to protests across the country about China's zero-covid policy; notes with alarm reports that Chinese authorities have used disproportionate force in response to these peaceful protests; reaffirms its solidarity with pro-democracy and human rights activists across China; further condemns the attack and detention of a BBC Journalist, Ed Lawrence by Chinese authorities; recognises that China is in breach of international obligations, in particular UN Resolution 70/162 requiring states to create and maintain a safe and enabling environment for journalists to perform their work independently and without undue interference; and calls on the UK government to raise the issue of the right to peaceful protest across China.

638 150th anniversary of first international football match

Tabled: 30/11/22 Signatories: 8

Gavin Newlands
Carol Monaghan
Patrick Grady
Stewart Malcolm McDonald
Ian Blackford
Alison Thewliss

Anne McLaughlin

That this House notes that St. Andrew's Day marks the 150th anniversary of the first international football match played between Scotland and England at the West of Scotland cricket ground in Glasgow in 1872, attracting a crowd of around 4,000 each paying one shilling for entry; notes that the final score was 0-0 following a disallowed Scotland goal in the first half; acknowledges that this match marked the beginning of football as an international game, with the formation of the Football Associations of Scotland, Wales, and Ireland in subsequent years as well as the Danish Football Association, the first football governing body outside of these isles; notes the crucial role Scotland has played in the development of football over the past 150 years, including Andrew Watson as the first black international football player and administrator in the world, the innovations in play brought about by the Scotch Professors who dominated the game north and

south of the border in the late 19th and early 20th centuries and exporting football around the world to become the global game it is today; notes that Scotland also produced the first World Club Champions in 1888 with Renton FC's victory over West Bromwich Albion; and looks forward to a further 150 years of Scotland playing a pivotal role in the world's most popular sport.

639 Ardrossan Winton Rovers U14 Girls Football Team

Tabled: 30/11/22 Signatories: 3

Patricia Gibson
Jim Shannon
Anne McLaughlin

That this House applauds the recent victory of Ardrossan Winton Rovers U14 Girls Football Team over Strathaven Dynamo, and securing the South West Region Erin Cuthbert League title; appreciates the skill, dedication and commitment of the team; recognises that this team is the first ever from the Three Towns to win this accolade, doing so without losing a single match during the whole season; understands that the support from the wider Ardrossan Winton Rovers family, Ardrossan Winton Rovers CIC and Ardrossan Winton Rovers Youth Academy, has been vital to the U14 Girls Football Team throughout the season, as has the support of the local community; and looks forward to the team's preparations for its next challenge as it prepares for U16s football and admires Ardrossan Winton Rovers Girls providing opportunities for girls to play football in a safe and fun environment with Scottish Football Association qualified coaches via its Youth Academy, which delivers a pathway right through to women's adult football.

640 Eglinton Diner in Saltcoats

Tabled: 30/11/22 Signatories: 3

Patricia Gibson
Jim Shannon
Anne McLaughlin

That this House congratulates the Eglinton Diner in Windmill Street in Saltcoats on its securing the accolade of Best Fish and Chip Shop in Scotland at the 2022 Scottish Business Awards; acknowledges that this recognition comes in the wake of its previous award for the best fish and chip shop in Ayrshire earlier this year; pays tribute to the hard work of owner Josephine Donald who started as a fryer in chip shops and took ownership of the Eglinton Diner four and half years ago; is also impressed by the hard work of the diner's fryers Ashley Donald, Jenna Wishart and Grady Purcheon and all the staff who work so diligently in the diner's fast paced environment; understands that this diner is well supported by local residents due to the excellent customer care, excellent food, with its fresh is best policy and high standards of cleanliness; is aware that the owner continues to make improvements to the diner's premises to ensure that her customers are able to enjoy the best experience possible when they patronise her business; and wishes the diner and all its staff continued success in providing the such excellent food and service to the people of Saltcoats.

642 Hearing Diagnostics and detection of hearing loss

Tabled: 1/12/22 Signatories: 2

Douglas Chapman
Jonathan Edwards

That this House welcomes the development by Scottish based enterprise Hearing Diagnostics of their innovative product, Audimetroid, which gives a more accurate and cost effective solution to the early detection of hearing loss; further welcomes the additional support and financing to

the company by investment syndicate Archangels and Scottish Enterprise; and wishes them well in developing their product and reaching new global export markets.

643 Pollok United SCIO

Tabled: 1/12/22 Signatories: 2

Chris Stephens
Anne McLaughlin

That this House congratulates Pollok United SCIO on winning the Glasgow Club of the Year 2022 award at the Glasgow's Sport Awards 2022, a special ceremony at the Emirate's Arena on 28 November 2022; notes the Glasgow's Sport Awards honour athletes, clubs, coaches, schools and volunteers for the impact they have made on sport, physical activity and well-being in the city; further notes Pollok United's award recognises their contribution to the development of sport in Glasgow; recognises Pollok United SCIO is an SFA Platinum Legacy Football Club providing excellent coaching to boys and girls from mini-kickers to senior men's and women's football, and that they provide a variety of engagement projects in their community spaces; and wishes Pollok United SCIO the best of luck in all future endeavours.

644 Charlotte Craig and Impact Arts

Tabled: 1/12/22 Signatories: 2

Chris Stephens
Anne McLaughlin

That this House warmly congratulates Charlotte Craig from Impact Arts on winning the Self-Management through Arts Award at the Self-Management Awards 2022, a ceremony hosted by ALLIANCE Scotland; notes this award is a recognition of Charlotte's accomplishments and hard work at the Craft Café in Govan; recognises the Craft Café offers a safe, social and creative environment where older people can learn new skills, renew social networks and reconnect with their communities; recognises the award was well-deserved acknowledgement of Charlotte's creative abilities and leading style which have made a lasting impact on the café's service users, allowing them to grow in confidence and have a say in their day-to-day activities; and wishes Charlotte and the whole team at Impact Arts continued success in their future endeavours.

645 Industrial Dispute at Shelter

Tabled: 1/12/22 Signatories: 3

John McDonnell
Richard Burgon
Charlotte Nichols

That this House supports Unite members taking industrial action at Shelter; stands with these workers based at offices across the country in Aberdeen, Glasgow, Dundee, Edinburgh, Newcastle, Blackburn, Merseyside, Manchester, Sheffield Hub and North Bank, Birmingham, Bristol, Plymouth, Bournemouth, Norwich, Hackney and London Old Street; is concerned by Shelter's imposition of a 3 per cent pay deal without proper consultation in the middle of a cost of living crisis despite the organisation's healthy finances; notes that Shelter's own claims show they have reserves of £17 million; further notes that this is substantially in excess of the organisation's target reserves of £8.9 million; understands that the Retail Price Index is at its highest level since 1980; is alarmed that this means RPI is currently over 10 per cent higher than Shelter's imposed 3 per cent pay deal; is disappointed to see an organisation with the reputation and mission statement of Shelter treating its workers with such disrespect; is clear that those working for a housing charity should

not be experiencing housing insecurity as a result of low pay meaning they are unable to afford their rent; is encouraged by the large growth in union membership amongst Shelter's workers during this dispute; and urges Shelter to rethink and fully commit to meaningful negotiations with representatives from its workers' trade union, Unite.

647 **Housing in West Yorkshire**

Tabled: 1/12/22 Signatories: 2

Mr Barry Sheerman
Richard Burgon

That this House recognises the lack of housing across England; notes the particular shortage of social housing and housing association in West Yorkshire and Huddersfield; expresses concern at the consequent impact on vulnerable individuals such as domestic abuse victims forced to remain in abusive situations due to lack of suitable emergency accommodation; further notes the inability of large families to gain suitable properties for their families; recognises the local authority provided housing availability in Kirklees is 322, or 1.1 per cent of Local Authority capacity, and that simultaneously there are 5,952 available properties in Kirklees, but only 5.4 per cent of these are Local Authority properties; regrets that many individuals are on the housing register for years and cannot access social housing; calls on the Government to create urgent availability for emergency accommodation and increases funding for social housing in Kirklees and West Yorkshire.

649 **Families Like Us SCIO**

Tabled: 1/12/22 Signatories: 2

Angela Crawley
Anne McLaughlin

That this House congratulates Families Like Us SCIO on securing a grant of £173,842 from the National Lottery Community Fund; recognises the work of Hamilton-based Families Like Us SCIO in providing a support service for families, in particular single parent families and unemployed parents; commends the initiatives led by Families Like Us SCIO including education and training for unemployed parents to increase their employability, support for better mental health, improved life skills and better quality of life; understands the group will use the funding to provide holistic support services and activities for families with young children facing challenging circumstances; further recognises this will allow Families Like Us SCIO to support approximately 550 people in South Lanarkshire with the support of five volunteers; and wishes Families Like Us SCIO well in their current work and all future endeavours.

650 **Springfield Gardens Residents Association**

Tabled: 1/12/22 Signatories: 2

Angela Crawley
Anne McLaughlin

That this House commends Springfield Gardens Residents Association on their projects to benefit residents of Springfield Gardens at Uddingston Cross; praises the residents association's aim to develop a programme of events that includes social and learning sessions, and a range of day trips for elderly residents; congratulates Springfield Gardens Residents Association on their successful application for a grant of £5,310 from the National Lottery Community Fund to support the programme; understands the programme is aimed at reducing isolation, increasing links with the local community, and building resilience and confidence; recognises the programme will benefit 55 residents at the Beild home in Uddingston and nearby senior residents of the wider local community

through increased contact and accessibility; further congratulates the innovative efforts of the Residents Association to tackling issues of loneliness among the elderly in our community; and wishes Springfield Gardens Residents Association well in their future endeavours.

651 St Mary's for All SCIO

Tabled: 1/12/22 Signatories: 2

Angela Crawley
Anne McLaughlin

That this House recognises the efforts of St Mary's for All SCIO to provide a safe, accessible, community space for the local residents of Hamilton; further recognises the community space allows a meeting space for fantastic local groups including Circle, Counselling for All, CAB, Women's Aid, Lanarkshire Carers, Let's Dance, as well as the local Cubs and Scouts; congratulates St Mary's for All on their work to ensure the 19th Century Gothic church hall at St Mary's in Hamilton remains fit for purpose and accessible to vital community groups; recognises the efforts of St Mary's for All in allowing this space to be used to provide skills and support consistently for the local community and reinvestment of profits for the common good; and further congratulates St Mary's for All SCIO on securing a grant of £10,000 from the National Lottery Community Fund which will allow the charity to employ a development officer to continue the engagement of volunteers and the wider community who meet in St Mary's Hall in Hamilton.

652 Barn Buddies Community Interest Company

Tabled: 1/12/22 Signatories: 2

Angela Crawley
Anne McLaughlin

That this House congratulates Barn Buddies Community Interest Company on securing £7,820 of funding through the National Lottery Community Fund; notes that this grant will be used for the group to visit schools, respite centres and other group settings to deliver services of equine learning and therapy; commends their work engaging schools and other groups within South Lanarkshire in Equine learning; understands the importance of equine learning and the positive impact this can have especially on rural communities; and wishes the group well in their endeavours.

653 Carluke Development Trust

Tabled: 1/12/22 Signatories: 2

Angela Crawley
Anne McLaughlin

That this House congratulates Carluke Development Trust on securing £70,984 of funding through the National Lottery Community Fund; applauds Carluke Development Trust, established in 1999 on their work with communities to carry out projects developing the community, space, environment of Carluke, Braidwood, Law, Crossford and Kilncadzow; highlights that this work helps and is important in helping to grow sustainable and thriving economies of these communities; notes that this grant will allow the Trust to deliver a community gardening project providing activities, events and workshops for the local community; welcomes that this project will deliver a range of horticultural, educational, training and volunteering opportunities for people of all ages and backgrounds, and will engage the local community; further highlights the wide-ranging benefit and community involvement that this three-year grant will bring with approximately 2,500 people

benefiting and 150 regular volunteers being involved; and wishes Carluke Development Trust well in their future endeavours.

654 Childcare in the Community

Tabled: 1/12/22 Signatories: 2

Angela Crawley
Anne McLaughlin

That this House congratulates Childcare in the Community on securing £4,707 of funding through the National Lottery Community Fund; commends Childcare in the Community on their work in providing childcare services in South Lanarkshire including nursery, mobile creche, out of school and pre-school education services; notes that this grant will be used to deliver a holiday programme of hubs delivering recreational and education activities to young people in the Hamilton area, and to fund a new vehicle for the organisation to support their work; highlights the wide-ranging benefits that this type of work will have for children, parents and guardians across South Lanarkshire including developing the individual skills, knowledge and community involvement of the children; and wishes Childcare in the Community continued success in their work to help children's development through working closely with parents and carers.

655 Clydesdale Community Initiatives

Tabled: 1/12/22 Signatories: 2

Angela Crawley
Anne McLaughlin

That this House congratulates Clydesdale Community Initiatives on securing £9,653 of funding through the National Lottery Community Fund; praises Clydesdale Community Initiatives, established in 2002, on their work in supporting people facing barriers to inclusion to make a contribution to their community through developing skills and gaining real work experience; commends Clydesdale Community Initiatives on their inclusive philosophy of everyone contributes, everyone gains, valuing individuals for their interests, abilities and contribution to the community; understands Clydesdale Community Initiatives will use the grant to fund a community repair shop hosting surgeries for local people to bring old, damaged or broken furniture to be repaired or upcycled; applauds the ambition of Clydesdale Community Initiatives on combining their work of community skills development with the environmentally friendly practice of furniture upcycling; and wishes Clydesdale Community Initiatives well on this project and all future ventures.

656 National Lottery Funding for Govan Youth Information Project (GYIP)

Tabled: 1/12/22 Signatories: 2

Chris Stephens
Anne McLaughlin

That this House congratulates Govan Youth Information Project (GYIP) based in Govan in the Glasgow South West constituency on their award of a £9,930 National Lottery Community Fund grant; understands this funding will be used to enhance the activities in their holiday programme for children aged 5 -13 years and host a community fun day in the Summer holidays for local families and organisations to attend; recognises GYIP delivers empowering and meaningful youth work to all children and young people within Govan area, providing support and information

to their service users; and wishes Govan Youth Information Project the best with all its future endeavours.

657 National Lottery Funding for Park Villa Football Development

Tabled: 1/12/22 Signatories: 2

Chris Stephens
Anne McLaughlin

That this House congratulates Park Villa Football Development based in Govan in the Glasgow South West constituency on their award of a £105,372 National Lottery Community Fund grant; understands this funding will be used to develop the Glasgow Club Drumoyne facility into a community sport and social hub that will provide a wide range of activities and opportunities for the broader community of Greater Govan, Cardonald and Craigton; recognises Park Villa Development offer a safe and empowering environment for over 250 children a week to embrace playing football as a positive alternative to anti-social behaviour through inclusion and a positive mental attitude; and wishes Park Villa Football Development the best with all its future endeavours.

658 National Lottery Funding for Greater Pollok Services

Tabled: 1/12/22 Signatories: 2

Chris Stephens
Anne McLaughlin

That this House congratulates Greater Pollok Services CIC based in Pollok in the Glasgow South West constituency on their award of a £9,625 National Lottery Community Fund grant; understands this funding will be used to extend their volunteer coordinators role to become full-time and allow them to continue to deliver a wide range of services in the Greater Pollok area; recognises Greater Pollok Services provide support to residents across Pollok by working in partnership with other agencies for the benefit of local people; and wishes Greater Pollok Services CIC the best with all its future endeavours.