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New EDMs

679 The Clean Air (Human Rights) Bill

Caroline Lucas Geraint Davies Wera Hobhouse Tabled: 7/12/22 Signatories: 3

That this House recognises the overwhelming importance of achieving clean air in order to protect life and health now and for future generations; notes that 5th-9th December marks the seventieth anniversary of the Great Smog of London in 1952; welcomes the Clean Air (Human Rights) Bill, known as Ella's Law, in the House of Commons after passing third reading in the House of Lords and securing significant cross-party support; welcomes the Bill as a measure which would ensure the human right to breathe clean air and thus prevent the deaths of children and other vulnerable people whilst helping to protect the environment and mitigate climate change; further recognises the need for targets, deadlines and proportional enforcement, that the Bill would help fulfil the UK's commitment to the landmark UN resolution which recognized the right to a clean, healthy and sustainable environment as a human right and that the current law does not adequately protect children such as Ella Roberta Adoo Kissi-Debrah who tragically died as a consequence of air pollution; expresses its deep sympathy to her mother Rosamund and other families of children whose health has been curtailed by air pollution; urges the Government to increase investment in energy efficiency and renewable energy to reduce harmful emissions and the cost of living for households; and calls on the Government to support the Clean Air (Human Rights) Bill as a measure to achieve clean air.

680 National Lottery funding for West Barns Playgroup

Tabled: 7/12/22 Signatories: 1

Kenny MacAskill

That this House congratulates West Barns Playgroup based near Dunbar in East Lothian on receiving a £3,170 grant from The National Lottery Community Fund; understands that the playgroup will buy new play equipment for the attending toddlers; and wishes everyone the best of luck with their new additions and with their futures.

National Lottery funding for Dunbar Primary School

Tabled: 7/12/22 Signatories: 1

Kenny MacAskill

That this House congratulates Dunbar Primary School in East Lothian on receiving a £10,000 grant from The National Lottery Community Fund; understands that the school will use the funding to support young people in East Lothian in developing the confidence to cope with challenging circumstances; and wishes everyone involved in the project the very best of luck with this and their futures.

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.

622 Plastics

Tabled: 28/11/22 Signatories: 32

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

Jeremy Corbyn

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

Signatories: 5

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.

635 Members' attendance in the House

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

Douglas Chapman

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.

642 Hearing Diagnostics and detection of hearing loss

Tabled: 1/12/22 Signatories: 7

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Tabled: **29/11/22**

Douglas Chapman Jonathan Edwards Chris Law Allan Dorans Chris Stephens Stewart Hosie

Jim Shannon

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

Chris Stephens Anne McLaughlin Chris Law Allan Dorans Jim Shannon

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: 5

Chris Stephens Anne McLaughlin Chris Law Allan Dorans Jim Shannon

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: 17

John McDonnell Richard Burgon Charlotte Nichols Kate Osborne Ian Lavery Jon Trickett

Ms Diane Abbott Tony Lloyd Nadia Whittome

Apsana Begum

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: 5

Mr Barry Sheerman Richard Burgon Jon Trickett John McDonnell Jim Shannon

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

Angela Crawley Anne McLaughlin Chris Law Allan Dorans Chris Stephens Jim Shannon

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

Angela Crawley Anne McLaughlin Chris Law Allan Dorans Chris Stephens Jim Shannon

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

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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

Angela Crawley Anne McLaughlin Chris Law Allan Dorans Chris Stephens Jim Shannon

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: 6

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Angela Crawley Anne McLaughlin Chris Law Allan Dorans Chris Stephens Jim Shannon

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: 6

Angela Crawley Anne McLaughlin Chris Law Allan Dorans Chris Stephens Jim Shannon

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
Angela Crawley
Anne McLaughlin
Hannah Bardell
Chris Law

Allan Dorans Chris Stephens

Jim Shannon

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: 6

Angela Crawley Anne McLaughlin Chris Law Allan Dorans Chris Stephens Jim Shannon

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.

National Lottery Funding for Govan Youth Information Project (GYIP)

Tabled: 1/12/22 Signatories: 5

Chris Stephens Anne McLaughlin Chris Law Allan Dorans Jim Shannon

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.

National Lottery Funding for Park Villa Football Development

Tabled: 1/12/22 Signatories: 5

Chris Stephens Anne McLaughlin Chris Law Allan Dorans Jim Shannon

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.

659 British Transport Police's Railway Guardian app

Tabled: 2/12/22 Signatories: 10

Christine Jardine
Liz Saville Roberts
Wendy Chamberlain
Jamie Stone
Hywel Williams
John McDonnell

Jim Shannon

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.

660 National Lottery Funding for Starter Packs Glasgow

Tabled: 5/12/22 Signatories: 3

Chris Stephens Jim Shannon Allan Dorans

That this House congratulates Starter Packs Glasgow based in Govan in the Glasgow South West constituency on their award of a £9,196 National Lottery Community Fund grant; understands this funding will be used to support the delivery of starter packs to people who have been rehoused as a result of challenging circumstances such as homelessness or domestic violence; recognises Starter Packs Glasgow help empower people to build a new life with dignity, ease their financial burden, alleviate poverty and the mental and physical ill health that can be caused by it, and helping people break the cycle of homelessness; and wishes Starter Pack Glasgow the best with all its future endeavours.

National Lottery funding for Values into Action Scotland

Tabled: 5/12/22 Signatories: 3

Chris Stephens Jim Shannon Allan Dorans

That this House congratulates Values into Action Scotland based in Hillington in Glasgow South West constituency on their award of a £191,016 National Lottery Community Fund grant; understands this funding will be used to develop opportunities for people with learning disabilities and autism across the Greater Glasgow community; recognises Values into Action offer a safe and empowering environment for people with learning disabilities and autism to have the same opportunities as everyone else and assist them in achieving those goals; and wishes Values into Action Scotland the best with all its future endeavours.

National Lottery Funding for Pollok United

Tabled: 5/12/22 Signatories: 3

Chris Stephens Jim Shannon Allan Dorans

That this House congratulates Pollok United based in the Glasgow South West constituency on their award of a £9,104 National Lottery Community Fund grant; understands this funding will be used to employ a Community Engagement Officer to support the delivery of a range of services and activities in the Pollok Area; recognises Pollok United use sport and recreational activities as a way to engage the local community to improve the overall health and wellbeing of the area they serve; and wishes Pollok United the best with all its future endeavours.

National Lottery Funding for Safety Awareness Glasgow

Tabled: 5/12/22 Signatories: 3

Chris Stephens Jim Shannon Allan Dorans

That this House congratulates Safety Awareness Glasgow, based in Govan in the Glasgow South West constituency on their award of a £9,500 National Lottery Community Fund grant; understands this funding will be used to develop Safety Awareness Glasgow pilot a Baby loss and miscarriage support group for Black women in their local community of Greater Govan; recognises Safety Awareness Glasgow offer a safe and empowering environment for women who have experienced loss to have a free and confidential service where they can be emotionally supported and signposted to further services or groups on a one to one or in a group setting; and wishes Safety Awareness Glasgow the best with all its future endeavours.

664 Equal private pension entitlement for bereaved unmarried partners

Tabled: 5/12/22 Signatories: 4

Geraint Davies Jim Shannon John McDonnell Tahir Ali

That this House welcomes the progress that has been made in ensuring unmarried partners have access to public service pensions; further welcomes the decision in 2019 to support the equal treatment of survivors of all legal relationships; recognises that the proportion of unmarried couples in the United Kingdom continues to increase; believes that it is an issue of basic fairness and protection that unmarried couples should receive the same benefits as married couples should one partner die; and calls on the Government to bring forward legislation to ensure that all pension schemes, both public and private, provide for long-term survivor benefits for unmarried survivors.

10th anniversary of the death of Tony Heron

Tabled: 5/12/22 Signatories: 6

Stewart Malcolm McDonald Douglas Chapman Jim Shannon Ian Blackford Dave Doogan Allan Dorans

That this House recognises that 2022 marks the 10th anniversary of the death of Tony Heron, a Wigtownshire man devoted to both his family and country; commends him for his service as a young man during the Second World War as part of the Royal Army Service Corps; and thanks Marie Curie for the support they provide to those suffering terminal illness, alongside that which they provide to families of those with illness.

50th anniversary of Nationwide in East Kilbride

Tabled: 5/12/22 Signatories: 3

Dr Lisa Cameron Jim Shannon Allan Dorans

That this House congratulates Nationwide Building Society, East Kilbride, on its 50th anniversary; recognises that East Kilbride Nationwide serves over 33,000 members across the local community; notes that the society runs a Youth Education Programme supporting young people's financial education; thanks staff and management for their assistance to local customers over 50 years in East Kilbride; and wishes East Kilbride Building Society the best for the future.

667 Avondale Radio

Tabled: 5/12/22 Signatories: 4

Dr Lisa Cameron

Jim Shannon John McDonnell Allan Dorans

That this House welcomes the establishment of Lanarkshire radio station Avondale Radio, set up by local residents Kenny Quigley, Nancy Luke and Les Hoggan, serving communities across Strathaven, Glassford, Chapelton and rural Avondale; congratulates them on their success from opening in March 2022, including attracting over 39,000 listeners in eight months and 1,000 new listeners every week; commends the community impact of the station in reaching out to relevant local people and issues; thanks dedicated volunteers who support the radio station's success by presenting such a variety of shows; notes that volunteers come from all walks of life, and that the station has inclusion, including disability inclusion, at its core; further commends the work that is being undertaken to ensure community representation; and wishes Avondale Radio every success for the future.

668 National Tree Week

Tabled: 5/12/22 Signatories: 3

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Jim Shannon Sir Mike Penning John McDonnell

That this House notes the end of National Tree Week 2022 that lasted from 26 November to 4 December 2022; underlines that National Tree Week is the largest annual tree celebration, marking the start of the tree planting season when millions of trees are planted every year; further notes the initiative by IndiWoods to plant exciting native woodlands throughout Northern Ireland this Winter, all of which consist of native oaks, downy and silver birch, alder, rowan, wild cherry and apple; further underlines the assistance trees offer to our environment, by locking up carbon, reducing surface run-off to help prevent flooding and filter harmful air pollution; and highlights the beautiful scenery trees give us in the countryside and that they improve our mental and physical health.

669 BP dividends

Dame Margaret Hodge Jonathan Edwards Caroline Lucas Cat Smith Ms Marie Rimmer Jim Shannon

That this House condemns BP's failure to honour its commitment to exit investments in Russia; notes that BP remains the largest private shareholder of Russia's biggest oil company, Rosneft, and as such is receiving wartime dividends totalling £580 million; notes that these dividends are equivalent to over one quarter of all aid provided by the Government to Ukraine and that continued UK investment in Russian oil undermines our country's significant support for the people of Ukraine; further notes that BP is indirectly profiteering from the Kremlin's egregious war in Ukraine; and calls on the Government to persuade BP, and any British company still invested in Russian oil and gas, to dedicate wartime dividends and profits to the reconstruction of Ukraine and to victims of the war and, if they fail to do so, calls on the Government to levy a special windfall tax to achieve the same purpose.

672 Free School Meals For All campaign

Tabled: 6/12/22 Signatories: 24

Zarah Sultana lan Byrne Kim Johnson Caroline Lucas Munira Wilson Apsana Begum

Bell Ribeiro-Addy **Charlotte Nichols** Ian Lavery Mary Kelly Foy Jon Trickett John McDonnell Claudia Webbe Colum Eastwood Tahir Ali Kate Osborne Mick Whitley Dawn Butler Richard Burgon Ms Diane Abbott Nadia Whittome Ian Mearns **Grahame Morris** Jeremy Corbyn

That this House notes that 3.9 million children are growing up in poverty and that the cost of living crisis is estimated to push another 500,000 children into poverty; recognises that free school meals ensure millions of children get a hot, healthy meal each day, but that as millions of families struggle with the cost of living crisis, more children are being forced to learn on empty stomachs, with restrictive eligibility, complicated registration and stigma built into the means-tested system; welcomes campaigning to extend free school meals, including those led by the National Education Union, the Daily Mirror and the Food Foundation; and calls on the Government to extend free school meals to all primary school children in state schools in England, as proposed by the Free School Meals for All Bill, formally known as the Free School Meals (Primary Schools) Bill.

674 Niamh Junner's karate career

Tabled: 6/12/22 Signatories: 2

Kirsten Oswald Allan Dorans

That this House congratulates Niamh Junner from East Renfrewshire after the most successful year in her karate career to date; appreciates that Niamh won a bronze medal at the under-21 European championships in Prague and a further bronze medal at the under-21 World championships in Konya; notes that due to her successes in Prague and Konya, Niamh is now ranked in the World's top 5 under-21 females +68 kg category; recognises that Niamh has been a member of the Scotland national karate team for five years and trains with national team coach Gerry Fleming at the Eastbank karate club in Glasgow; further notes the difficulty that Niamh and other athletes faced during the covid-19 pandemic due to training facilities closing; understands that karate is a self-funded sport and that Niamh works as a part-time bartender to fund her karate expenses as well as studying an anatomy degree at the University of Glasgow; and wishes Niamh all the best for her upcoming competitions in Italy, Egypt and Spain next year.