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New EDMs

777 Adoption pay for self-employed people

Mr Barry Sheerman

That this House recognises that there is no justifiable basis for denying self-employed adopters access to statutory adoption pay, which their employed counterparts can access as a day-one right; notes that that discretionary payments to self-employed adopters are inconsistent and rare, meaning that self-employed individuals are financially disadvantaged when considering welcoming a child into their home through adoption; therefore calls on Government to enable parity of access to adoption leave and pay by providing an Adoption Allowance to self-employed individuals; and further calls for an extension of shared parental leave to couples where at least one individual is self-employed.

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778 Supported lodgings

Mr Barry Sheerman

That this House recognises supported lodgings as a valuable option for holistically meeting the needs of older teenagers in the care system; further recognises the benefit of relational support being at the heart of supported lodgings with young people living in the homes of hosts who offer support as the young person navigates life's challenges; notes that with the worrying shortage of foster homes available for all children in care, it is likely that teenagers will continue to be placed in inappropriate settings such as bedsits, B&Bs and caravan parks unless an alternative solution is found; and urges the Government to raise the profile and encourage the use of supported lodgings for older teenagers, activating local authorities to commission services and incentivise members of the public to come forward as hosts.

779 Energy support for sports facilities

Tabled: 19/01/23 Signatories: 1

Munira Wilson

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That this House notes with concern that sports facilities, including swimming pools and leisure centres, have been excluded from the list of sectors entitled to greatest support under the Energy Bills Discount Scheme; is pleased to note that cultural institutions, such as libraries, museums and botanical gardens have been included in the list of Energy and Trade Intensive Industries eligible for the higher level of support but is disappointed that sports facilities have not; further notes that the disparity in the level of support is significant, with discounts for electricity nearly five times greater for Energy and Trade Intensive Industries than other sectors and a discount on gas nearly six times higher; notes that the price thresholds for Energy and Trade Intensive Industries to receive this support is also lower than other sectors for both gas and electricity; welcomes comments by the Minister for Sport that he will be holding a roundtable with industry stakeholders to discuss further support, but considers it not enough; and calls for the definition of Energy and Trade Intensive Industries to be expanded to include sports facilities, such as swimming pools and leisure centres, in the scheme for Energy and Trade Intensive Industries.

780 Black January and the anniversary of the invasion of Baku

Tabled: 19/01/23 Signatories: 1

Bob Blackman

That this House notes that on 20 January 2023 the UK will observe the anniversary of the invasion of Baku by the Soviet, mostly Russian, military in 1990 in response to the popular movement calling for independence of Azerbaijan; further notes that this House pays tribute to the 150 civilians who lost their lives during the invasion of the city of Baku in Azerbaijan; and urges all Right hon. and hon. Members to observe this day so that the events will always be remembered.

781 HSBC and the Garzweiler coal mine

Tabled: 19/01/23 Signatories: 1

Tony Lloyd

That this House notes the role of HSBC in allowing for the expansion of the Garzweiler opencast coal mine in Germany; highlights reports that HSBC made a secretive multimillion-dollar loan to the energy company involved, RWE; considers this to be in contravention of HSBC's stated commitment to withdraw financing from clients that are expanding the production of thermal coal and phase out funding for coal-fired power and thermal coal mining; believes that reports stating HSBC told RWE not to publicise the bank's involvement indicate that HSBC is aware that providing these funds runs against its own stated policies and commitments; and calls on HSBC to stand by its own climate commitments and halt funding to organisations involved in the expansion of coal mining.

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.

734 Commemoration of the 33rd year of the genocide of Hindus, Kashmiri Pandits, from Jammu and Kashmir.

Tabled: 9/01/23 Signatories: 4

Bob Blackman Jim Shannon Wera Hobhouse David Linden

That this House commemorates with deep sadness and disappointment the 33rd anniversary of the attack in January 1990 by cross-border Islamic militants on the innocent population of Jammu and Kashmir; expresses its condolences to the families and friends of all those killed, raped and injured in this planned massacre; condemns the desecration of holy sites in Jammu and Kashmir; is concerned that Kashmiris who fled persecution have still not seen justice or recognition of the atrocities committed against them; commends the continued resilience and courage shown by the members of Kashmiri Pandit community who survived this gruesome genocide and did not resort to taking up arms but chose education and aspiration; deplores those sponsoring such cross-border terrorist attacks and demands that such attacks cease immediately; condemns the continued targeted Hindu killings in Jammu and Kashmir, further notes that the international principle of responsibility to protect obliges individual states and the international community to take effective measures to prevent the commission of genocide and crimes against humanity as suffered by Kashmiri Hindu community; urges the Government of India to fulfil its long-standing international commitment to recognise and acknowledge the worst form of genocide of Hindus in Jammu and Kashmir and enact the proposed Panun Kashmir Genocide Crime Punishment and Atrocities Prevention Bill in the Indian Parliament, therefore delivering much awaited justice to the Kashmiri Pandit community; and further urges the UK Government to extend the UK's long standing commitment to protect and demand justice to the victims of this genocide.

740 Peace in Syria

Jim Shannon
Carla Lockhart
Mohammad Yasin
Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson
David Linden

This house notes the need for a lasting peace in Syria; believes that establishing a UK Special Envoy for Syria would help ensure utmost efforts in promoting a new and lasting peace initiative in Syria; and recognises the international benefits that would arise from a prosperous and peaceful Syria, not least by helping Syrian refugees return home.

Tabled: 9/01/23 Signatories: 5

741 Recognition of the Holodomor as a genocide

Tabled: 9/01/23 Signatories: 11

Tony Lloyd Jim Shannon Jonathan Edwards Mohammad Yasin Liz Saville Roberts Hywel Williams

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Wera Hobhouse

That this House recognises the Holodomor as an act of genocide against the Ukrainian people in 1932 and 1933 by the Soviet regime headed by Josef Stalin; commemorates the lives of the seven million people who were brutally annihilated; condemns these acts as a systematic campaign of starvation and destruction of Ukrainian cultural and ethnic identity; further condemns the Soviet regime's confiscation of food, restriction of population movement, rejection of external aid, and brutal crackdown on protests and suppression of the Ukrainian language for the purpose of Russification; commends the work undertaken to commemorate the dead; calls on the UK Government to promote further awareness of the Holodomor and condemn any attempt to deny or distort this historical truth as being anything less than genocide; and further calls on Parliament to join other parliaments in recognising the Holodomor as a historical reality.

742 Attacks on the Brazilian Congress

Tabled: 9/01/23 Signatories: 34

Richard Burgon Ms Diane Abbott Jeremy Corbyn Apsana Begum Ian Lavery Bell Ribeiro-Addy

Wera Hobhouse

This House condemns the attacks on the Brazilian Congress, Supreme Court, and Presidential Palace on Sunday 8 January 2023 by supporters of former Brazilian President Jair Bolsonaro who refused to accept his recent election defeat; notes that this happened a week after the inauguration of President Lula da Silva and is the latest far-right attempt to disrupt Brazilian democracy through violence and intimidation; is deeply alarmed by the disturbing rise of political violence against supporters of President Lula including killings, violence against Lula's Workers' Party officials and attacks on pro-Lula marches that took place during the recent election campaign; believes President Lula's democratically-elected administration must be allowed to govern without fear of violence or continued threats; extends our solidarity with President Lula, the governing Brazilian Workers' Party, and all Brazilian democrats against attempts by the far-right to overturn the democratic process in Brazil; and calls on the international community to offer its full support for the upholding of the democratic will of the Brazilian people and to do all it can to ensure those responsible for the 8 January 2023 events are held to account.

748 Holocaust Memorial Day 2023

Tabled: 11/01/23 Signatories: 36

Bob Blackman Liz Saville Roberts Hywel Williams Ben Lake Stewart Hosie Patrick Grady

Wera Hobhouse Patricia Gibson Dame Margaret Hodge

Dan Carden Margaret Ferrier

That this House notes that, on 27 January 2023, the UK will observe Holocaust Memorial Day, marking the 78th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau, where more than 1.1 million people died, including nearly one million Jewish men, women and children; commemorates the six million victims of the Holocaust and the millions of other victims of Nazi persecution; further notes that the House pays tribute to the commitment of Holocaust survivors and Kindertransport refugees who share their experiences with young people across the country; acknowledges the importance of the Holocaust Educational Trust's work in schools across the UK and in particular the Lessons from Auschwitz Project, which has so far given tens of thousands of students and teachers the opportunity to visit Auschwitz-Birkenau; welcomes the establishment of a permanent National Holocaust Memorial and Learning Centre adjacent to Parliament; pays tribute to the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust for organising the national Holocaust Memorial Day event; and urges all Right hon. and hon. Members to observe this day so that the appalling events of the Holocaust are always understood by future generations.

749 Pollokshields Burgh Hall Trust 25th anniversary

Tabled: 11/01/23 Signatories: 5

Stewart Malcolm McDonald Allan Dorans Patrick Grady Jim Shannon Alison Thewliss

That this House congratulates Pollokshields Burgh Hall Trust on its 25th anniversary; notes the achievements of the Trust in the past 25 years in reopening and maintaining the Halls as a community asset; thanks all the staff and volunteers who have always been on hand to help and to ensure that all users get the most out of the Hall; recognises the Hall's unique location with its own gardens and grounds situated adjacent to Maxwell Park making it an extremely special venue for any event; and offers the Trust and Pollokshields Burgh Hall its best wishes for continued success in the future.

750 Loraine Swan BEM

Tabled: 11/01/23 Signatories: 4

Angela Crawley Allan Dorans Jim Shannon Alison Thewliss

That this House congratulates Loraine Swan on being awarded the BEM for services to the community in Lanark; acknowledges the lifetime of service Loraine has given to her home town; recognises her hard work as a member and chair of the Lanark Lanimer committee which put on a

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number of successful events during her tenure; applauds Loraine for her continued dedication to the community in her roles as a Sunday school teacher at Cairns/Greyfriars Church, as group coordinator at Lanark U3A, as programme secretary at Inner Wheel of Lanark and as a member of Kilninie Club; and thanks Loraine for everything she has done for the community of Lanark.

752 Disability and cost of living

Tabled: 12/01/23 Signatories: 15

Tabled: **12/01/23**

Signatories: 7

Christine Jardine Jonathan Edwards Ben Lake Wendy Chamberlain Richard Foord Jim Shannon

Wera Hobhouse Liz Saville Roberts Hywel Williams

Dan Carden

That this House recognises that there is often a significant income gap between disabled and non-disabled people; further recognises that disabled people are being hit hard by the current cost of living crisis and are much more likely to struggle to heat their homes and cut back on food over the winter; notes that the Resolution Foundation has found that people with disabilities have an available amount to spend that is around 44 per cent lower than that of other working-age adults; further notes that people with a disability are far more likely to be poorer than the rest of the population, with up to a third of adults in the lowest-income households having a disability; notes that almost half of disabled adults said they had to cut back on energy use this winter, compared with almost one-third of people without a disability; and calls on the Government to provide further support for disabled people including financial assistance to help with the cost of living crisis.

753 Orkney Tractor Run 2022

Mr Alistair Carmichael Jonathan Edwards Wendy Chamberlain Jim Shannon Liz Saville Roberts Ben Lake

Hywel Williams

That this House congratulates the organisers of the Orkney Tractor Run held in Kirkwall on 29 December 2022; notes that a total of 179 tractors from family farms across the county were included in the event, which attracted wide attendance from the community; understands that over £28,000 was raised for charity through generous donations, with proceeds to be shared between mental health charity Orkney Blide Trust and the Orkney Heart Support Group; believes that tractor runs play an important role in bringing agricultural communities together and supporting local charities; and wishes the Orkney Agricultural Society and all participants well in anticipation of next winter's event.

754 Re-imprisonment of Fariba Kamalbadi and Mahvash Sabet in Iran

Tabled: 16/01/23 Signatories: 9

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Bob Blackman
Jonathan Edwards
Jim Shannon
Rachael Maskell
Wera Hobhouse
Liz Saville Roberts

Ben Lake Hywel Williams David Linden

That this House notes with concern the re-imprisonment in December 2022 of Fariba Kamalbadi and Mahvash Sabet, two Baha'is in Iran; further notes that both of these women served 10 years in harsh conditions from 2008 to 2018 and were the subject of widespread international outcry; acknowledges that these two women are widely regarded as prisoners of conscience; observes with concern that both women are over 60 years of age and poor health; and urges the Government to use all bilateral and multilateral means of influence to call on the Iranian Government to release Fariba and Mahvash immediately.

755 Lewis Capaldi

Tabled: 16/01/23 Signatories: 9

Martyn Day Jim Shannon Allan Dorans Patrick Grady Marion Fellows Chris Stephens

Liz Saville Roberts Ben Lake Hywel Williams

That this House celebrates the success of West Lothian singer songwriter Lewis Capaldi, whose single Someone You Loved has been named the UK's most streamed song; notes that his breakthrough hit has accumulated 562 million UK streams, beating Ed Sheeran's Shape of You and Perfect, respectively; and further notes that the song reached number one in March 2019 and stayed there for a total of seven weeks.

756 Creativity of Glasgow North East school pupils

Tabled: 16/01/23 Signatories: 7

Anne McLaughlin Jim Shannon Allan Dorans Patrick Grady Marion Fellows Chris Stephens

Alison Thewliss

That this House thanks the schools in Glasgow North East including Barmulloch Primary School, Elmvale Primary School, Haghill Park Primary School, Miltonbank Primary School, St Denis' Primary School and St Roch's Primary School for taking part in a Christmas card competition and allowing their creative artwork to be shared on behalf of the constituency; recognises the talent of the pupils

and applauds their hard work and the work of their teachers and other school staff; and thanks the winner Eniola from Elmvale Primary School for allowing her design to be shared at Christmas.

758 The death of Mursal Nabizada, former Member of the Afghan parliament

Tabled: 16/01/23 Signatories: 13

Wendy Chamberlain Jonathan Edwards Jim Shannon Richard Foord Mr Alistair Carmichael Tim Farron

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Liz Saville Roberts Ben Lake Hywel Williams
Alison Thewliss

That this House is deeply saddened by the killing of former Afghan MP Mursal Nabizada and her bodyguard; strongly condemns the actions of their killers; calls for a full and open investigation into the incident; notes with concern the removal of women in Afghanistan from public life; and urges the Government to create an asylum route for Afghan women at risk of harm as called for by the members of the all-party Parliamentary group for Afghan Women and Girls.

759 Night Before Christmas Campaign

Tabled: 16/01/23 Signatories: 11

Allan Dorans
Jonathan Edwards
Jim Shannon
Patrick Grady
Marion Fellows
Chris Stephens

Liz Saville Roberts Patricia Gibson Ben Lake

Hywel Williams Alison Thewliss

That this House recognises and congratulates the inspirational Jodie McFarlane and her family and the outstanding commitment shown by the team of over 100 fantastic volunteers of the Night Before Christmas Campaign (NB4CC) who since 2015 have worked tirelessly and continuously every year to relieve the effects of poverty by ensuring that as many children throughout south west Scotland, who may not have received a gift or present at Christmas did so; thanks all of those volunteers involved in organising, collection, receipt, sorting, packing and delivery of donations; notes that in the first year of operation they delivered around 100 shoe boxes containing gifts; further notes that since that time they have continuously developed their network to encourage referrals from social work, churches, schools, voluntary and other groups; and notes the wonderful generosity of thousands of individual donors and over 150 donating organisations including businesses, churches, local sports teams and others who have provided cash donations, gifts and presents including new pyjamas, books, toiletries, toys, board games, selection boxes, teddy bears, other soft toys, and computer games, valued at over £340,000, enabling an outstanding record 6,840 red bags of joy to be delivered to families and children at Christmas in 2022.

764 Sexual assault dare cards

Tabled: 17/01/23 Signatories: 7

Kirsty Blackman
Jim Shannon
Chris Stephens
Allan Dorans
Liz Saville Roberts
Ben Lake

Hywel Williams

That this House believes that dare cards which encourage inappropriate touching or sexual harassment of others should no longer be sold by retailers, this follows a recent sexual assault in Aberdeen City, where a man was sexually assaulted by a woman during a hen party dares game; and calls on Amazon and other online retailers to ban the sale of these dare cards.

765 Father Achi of Saint Peter and Paul in Paikoro, Nigeria

Tabled: 17/01/23 Signatories: 5

Jim Shannon
Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson
Sir Mike Penning
Alexander Stafford
David Linden

The House extends its condolences to the family of Nigerian priest Father Isaac Achi, and to his parish of Saint Peter and Paul in Paikoro Nigeria; condemns in the strongest of terms the brutal murder of Fr Achi who was burned alive by armed terrorists on Sunday 15 January 2023; urges the government of Nigeria to address the deteriorating security situation in Nigeria as a matter of priority so that all faith and belief groups might enjoy freedom of religion or belief; and implores the government of Nigeria to ensure free and fair presidential elections next month, free from fear of armed terrorist groups.

766 Adoption of Passivhaus Standards in Scotland

Tabled: 17/01/23 Signatories: 6

Douglas Chapman

Jim Shannon
Dr Philippa Whitford
Chris Stephens
Allan Dorans
Alison Thewliss

That this House recognises that the Scottish Government has adopted the Passivhaus standards for all future buildings, with new minimum environmental design standards for all new build housing to meet a Scottish equivalent to the Passivhaus standard in order to improve energy efficiency and thermal performance on the journey to net zero; understands that this legislation will be implemented in the next two years, with a commitment to a robust verification process to meet these ambitious standards; recommends that the UK Government follow suit and draft an equivalent design standard for the rest of the UK in order to increase energy security, reduce bills and improve indoor air quality in all new builds; commends the group behind the design and construction of the UK's largest education Passivhaus building that is due to open in Dunfermline

and West Fife constituency in 2024 at the new Woodmill and St Columba's High School campus; and further commends Alex Rowley MSP for initiating the Bill in the Scottish Parliament.

767 Deans Primary and Nursery Class

Tabled: 18/01/23 Signatories: 4

Hannah Bardell Allan Dorans Chris Stephens Alison Thewliss

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That this House notes the recent inspection report by Education Scotland for Deans Primary and Nursery Class which found the school to be good and very good across all leading indicators; congratulates Headteacher, Mrs Stewart, her depute, Mrs Wallace, and their team for their performance in ensuring good outcomes for all children and their families; recognises that the school achieved 'very good' for ensuring wellbeing, equality and inclusion; highlights that children at Deans felt supported in a number of ways, including daily wellbeing check-ins, a tailored health and wellbeing curriculum, with staff ensuring the needs of every pupil were met on a daily basis; and further notes the commitment from all members of staff to continue to work on their ambitious school improvement priorities.

768 Environment Agency workers industrial action

Tabled: 18/01/23 Signatories: 14

Olivia Blake Apsana Begum Nadia Whittome Zarah Sultana Jon Trickett Mick Whitley

John McDonnell Chris Stephens Mary Kelly Foy

That this House fully supports the thousands of Environment Agency workers in their pay dispute, notes that they are engaged in the first strike action over pay to take place since the Environment Agency was established; further notes that while Environment Agency staff undertake vital work in responding to environmental incidents and emergencies including floods and major pollution events, these workers have seen the value of their pay eroded by over 20 percent since 2010; highlights that it wishes Environment Agency workers every success in their fight to secure a fair pay deal that reflects the vital work they do; and calls on Ministers in the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs to urgently engage with Environment Agency trade unions to seek a resolution to this dispute.

769 Citizens Advice Cymru research on prepayment meters

Tabled: 18/01/23 Signatories: 4

Jonathan Edwards Chris Stephens Patricia Gibson Alison Thewliss

That this House expresses concern at research by Citizens Advice Cymru which indicates that across Wales the service dealt with more cases of households unable to top up their prepayment meter

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in 2022 than in the previous 10 years combined; notes that research by Citizens Advice Cymru indicates that a third of prepayment meter users in Wales are struggling with payments; further notes that prepayment meters whilst useful for budgeting are a more expensive way to pay for energy consumption; further expresses concern at the research which indicates that 32 per cent of prepayment meter users in Wales were disconnected from their energy supply last year, that 23 per cent have been disconnected at least once a month, that 10 per cent have been without energy for over 24 hours; notes the potentially dangerous consequences for households being without electricity or heating, especially the vulnerable, and the pressure this places on health and social care services; further notes that the research indicates that 71 per cent of prepayment meter users are worried about keeping up with payments; is concerned that Citizens Advice local offices are reporting a three-fold increase in the number of consumers being switched to prepayment meters by energy suppliers last year; and supports Citizens Advice in calling on a prohibition of forced prepayment meter installations until consumer safeguards are introduced and a review of all prepayment meter customers with the aim of moving consumers to credit meters where necessary to reduce the risk of disconnections.

770 Yeti Airlines Flight 691

Mr Virendra Sharma Allan Dorans Liz Saville Roberts Ben Lake Hywel Williams Alison Thewliss

That this House acknowledges the terrible impact of the crash of Yeti Airlines Flight 691; pays tribute to the work of the Nepalese Emergency Services and all first responders; remembers the 72 passengers and crew; and conveys its sympathies to the family and loved ones of those in the accident.

771 UK arms sales to Saudi Arabia for use in Yemen

Tabled: 18/01/23 Signatories: 15

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Kim Johnson Caroline Lucas Wera Hobhouse Alison Thewliss Layla Moran Liz Saville Roberts

Chris StephensPatricia GibsonBen LakeHywel WilliamsDeidre BrockDan CardenAllan DoransRichard FoordLloyd Russell-Moyle

That this House notes with concern the ongoing devastation of the war on Yemen, which has repeatedly been named one of the worst humanitarian disasters in the world since the Saudi-led Coalition first launched airstrikes in March 2015; further notes that the Government continues to allow arms sales to Saudi Arabia, and continues to provide logistical support to Saudi forces in Yemen despite overwhelming evidence of serious violations of international humanitarian law; reminds the Government that criteria 2(c) of the Strategic Export Licensing Criteria precludes licensing where there is a clear risk that items might be used to commit or facilitate a serious violation of international humanitarian law; notes with concern the failure of the warring parties to renew the first truce in six years, brokered by the UN, which was sustained for six months in 2022;

calls on the Government to end all support for the war and suspend all arms sales to Saudi Arabia; and urges the Government to use all diplomatic means at its disposal, including the UK's position as penholder on Yemen at the UN Security Council to support the role of the Yemeni people, including women and children, in building sustainable peace, to advocate for an end to the mahram male guardian requirement across governorates under Houthi control, and call for the creation of an independent, international accountability mechanism that would investigate, publicly report and pursue accountability for the most serious violations of international law committed in Yemen by all parties to the conflict.

772 The work of Inspiring Scotland

Patricia Gibson Allan Dorans Chris Stephens Ben Lake Hywel Williams Alison Thewliss

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That this House commends the Scottish Government and Inspiring Scotland's provision of almost £118,000 in funding to eco-friendly projects on the Isle of Arran; notes Scottish Government funding of more than £3 million this year for projects across rural Scotland; further notes that rural and island communities have been disproportionately impacted by the cost of living crisis; understands that these communities are experiencing significantly higher costs for heating, transport and housing than their urban counterparts; recognises the positive impact this funding will have for Arran's island community; acknowledges the significance of the work carried out by funding recipients Eco Savvy, Arran Development Trust, Pirnmill Village Association, and Lamlash Improvements Association to establish greater energy support and guidance for island residents and to grow the energy security and extreme weather resilience of the community; and wishes these groups every success in improving the lives of the people of Arran.

773 Homes for Good Gold World Habitat Award

Tabled: 18/01/23 Signatories: 7

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Alison Thewliss Allan Dorans Patrick Grady Liz Saville Roberts Chris Stephens Ben Lake

Hywel Williams

That this House congratulates Homes for Good in Glasgow on winning a prestigious Gold World Habitat Award; understands they use an innovative model with transforms empty homes; notes they were founded in 2013 and have housed over 1000 people on low incomes or at immediate risk of homelessness into high quality homes; appreciates the massive difference Homes for Good have made to many lives in Glasgow; further notes that the World Habitat Awards are organised by World Habitat in partnership with UN-Habitat and are the world's leading housing awards, recognising and highlighting outstanding and revolutionary housing projects worldwide; and commends Homes for Good on this fantastic achievement and wishes them every success in the future.

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774 Nationality on the electoral registration form

Tabled: 18/01/23 Signatories: 5

Liz Saville Roberts Chris Stephens Patricia Gibson Ben Lake Hywel Williams

That this House notes its concern that it is not possible for individuals to identify as Welsh as a separate nationality on the electoral registration form or on the annual Household Enquiry Form; further notes that this results in many people in Wales being unable to state their own nationality as 55 per cent of the population identify as Welsh and not British; notes that this inability for people to express their nationality of choice risks communities across the UK feeling disenfranchised and underrepresented; and calls for both the electoral register and the annual Household Enquiry Form to be amended so that they can properly reflect all nationalities that make up the UK.

775 Medical Radioisotope Production

Tabled: 18/01/23 Signatories: 2

Liz Saville Roberts Chris Stephens

That this House recognises the urgent need to ensure the future security of supply of nuclear medicine and welcomes the announcement of major new plans to make north Wales a global centre of excellence as the leading location for medical radioisotope production in the UK; notes that the project ARTHUR (Advanced Radioisotope Technology for Health Utility Reactor) would see the creation of a public sector national laboratory for the supply of medical radioisotopes which are vital for the diagnosis and treatment of diseases such as cancer and heart disease; also notes that most of the European facilities currently producing medical radioisotopes are coming to the end of their productive life, leaving the UK facing the prospect of having to ration these life-saving nuclear medicines by 2030; further notes that loss of supply would have a significant detrimental impact on patient outcomes and survival; acknowledges that the project would create long-term and sustainable jobs and produce medical radioisotopes for health services across the four nations of the UK; and calls on the UK Government to work with the Welsh Government in their efforts to create project ARTHUR.

776 Open Doors and the World Watch List 2023

Tabled: 18/01/23 Signatories: 9

Patricia Gibson Allan Dorans Patrick Grady Liz Saville Roberts Chris Stephens Ben Lake

Hywel Williams David Linden Alison Thewliss

That this House applauds the work of the charity Open Doors which has, for more than six decades, supported persecuted Christians globally; understands that this year marks the 30th anniversary of Open Doors' research into those countries where Christians face the greatest levels of persecution, information on which is published in its annual World Watch List; notes that in the World Watch List 2023, North Korea returns to the top of this list, scoring the highest number of points ever recorded by the charity; is deeply concerned that more than 360 million Christians experience high

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and extreme levels of persecution and discrimination for their faith; is alarmed that when the Open Doors World Watch List started, Christians faced high, very high or extreme levels of persecution in 40 countries and, 30 years on, that number has nearly doubled to 76 countries; recognises that this means that 1 in 7 Christians now experience at least high levels of persecution and discrimination which shows that persecution of Christians for their faith is a human rights outrage which is growing; is appalled that sexual violence is a key weapon used against Christian women and girls globally; and urges the UK Government to recognise faith as an additional vulnerability in all conflicts and use every diplomatic tool at its disposal as well as its role on the international community to make all possible efforts to uphold freedom of religion or belief which is a basic human right and must be recognised as such.