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## Early Day Motions tabled on Tuesday 24 January 2023

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### New EDMs

#### 792 National Supported Internship Day

Tabled: 24/01/23 Signatories: 1

**Mr Barry Sheerman**

That this House recognises 27 March 2023 as National Supported Internship Day, which is an initiative launched by charity DFN Project SEARCH to raise awareness and understanding of supported internships; acknowledges that supported internships are for those aged 16-24 and give young adults the opportunity to learn in a workplace setting; further acknowledges that these internships include continuous feedback and enable young adults with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) to learn while gaining real employability and competitive work skills; recognises the work of Kirklees Council in providing excellent internship opportunities; applauds charity DFN Project SEARCH for its achievement of a 70 per cent graduate employment rate and its goal of getting 10,000 young adults with SEND into paid employment by 2030; and asks this House to celebrate supported internships taking place across the UK.

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#### 793 Tony Blackburn's 80th Birthday

Tabled: 24/01/23 Signatories: 1

**Jim Shannon**

That this House notes and celebrates the birthday of BBC Presenter, Tony Blackburn, who turns 80 on Saturday 29 January 2023; further notes his contribution to radio and media across the UK and the public adoration for his work; highlights his achievements of over five decades of entertainment in the UK and beyond; notes that BBC Radio 2 are celebrating the occasion with a special programme, where guests will talk to Tony about his life and career; and celebrates both his milestone birthday and his contributions to UK Radio and wishes him joy, health and happiness for the years ahead.

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**794 Constitutional Law**Tabled: **24/01/23** Signatories: **51**

**Brendan O'Hara**  
**Stephen Flynn**  
**Liz Saville Roberts**  
**Mr Alistair Carmichael**  
**Caroline Lucas**  
**Colum Eastwood**

Steven Bonnar  
 Amy Callaghan  
 Ronnie Cowan  
 Martin Docherty-Hughes  
 Marion Fellows  
 Peter Grant  
 Stewart Hosie  
 David Linden  
 Anne McLaughlin  
 Gavin Newlands  
 Ms Anum Qaisar  
 Chris Stephens  
 Richard Thomson  
 Pete Wishart  
 Hannah Bardell

Deidre Brock  
 Wendy Chamberlain  
 Angela Crawley  
 Dave Doogan  
 Patricia Gibson  
 Claire Hanna  
 Ben Lake  
 Stewart Malcolm McDonald  
 John McNally  
 John Nicolson  
 Tommy Sheppard  
 Jamie Stone  
 Owen Thompson  
 Hywel Williams  
 Mhairi Black

Alan Brown  
 Douglas Chapman  
 Martyn Day  
 Allan Dorans  
 Patrick Grady  
 Drew Hendry  
 Chris Law  
 Stuart C McDonald  
 Carol Monaghan  
 Kirsten Oswald  
 Alyn Smith  
 Alison Thewliss  
 Dr Philippa Whitford  
 Ian Blackford  
 Kirsty Blackman

That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Gender Recognition Reform (Scotland) Bill (Prohibition on Submission for Royal Assent) Order 2023 (S.I., 2023, No. 41), dated 17 January 2023, a copy of which was laid before this House on 17 January 2023, be annulled.

**795 Ryan Cornelius and the UAE**Tabled: **24/01/23** Signatories: **1****Sir Peter Bottomley**

This House notes with concern that Ryan Cornelius, a British citizen, remains imprisoned in the United Arab Emirates, notwithstanding a finding by the United Nations that he has been arbitrarily detained, and notwithstanding a finding by the United Nations that Mr Cornelius should be immediately released and provided with compensation and other reparations in accordance with international law; calls upon the UAE government to release Mr Cornelius in accordance with international law; calls upon the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs to secure the release of Mr Cornelius; and asks the Foreign Secretary to raise this matter with his Emirati counterpart.

**796 Siobahn McKenzie International Fashion Awards**Tabled: **24/01/23** Signatories: **1****Douglas Chapman**

That this House congratulates Scottish fashion designer Siobahn McKenzie following her success in scooping three Gold medals at the International Design Awards in the following sectors (a) Gold Winner in Fashion Design - Recycled / Sustainable Fashion, (b) Gold Winner in Fashion Design - Uniform Design and (c) Gold Winner in Textiles - Textile Design; recognises her stunning, innovative and unique designs for Team Scotland at the Commonwealth Games in 2022 and for her contribution to international fashion houses around the world; and welcomes these awards

which will help grow her business further and encourage other Scottish designers and creators to adopt a sustainable and a Made in Scotland approach to develop this successful sector of the Scottish economy.

## 797 Tenth anniversary of local coffee shop chain Bob & Berts

Tabled: 24/01/23 Signatories: 1

**Mr Gregory Campbell**

That this House notes the success of Bob & Berts, a local coffee shop chain, which started in Portstewart, Northern Ireland in 2013, and now comprises almost thirty stores across the United Kingdom, and wishes founder Colin McLean all the best as the business prospers and continues its ethos of supporting local community ventures including children in sport in each of the areas where the cafes are based.

## 798 The Climate Education Bill

Tabled: 24/01/23 Signatories: 5

**Nadia Whittome**

**Clive Lewis**

**Caroline Lucas**

**Rebecca Long Bailey**

**Jeremy Corbyn**

That this House notes the IPPC's report released in February 2022 into the now irreversible impacts of climate change, the Government's aim to reach net zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050, and the necessity of teaching children about the climate and the world we will inhabit as we move through the 21st century; further notes that one survey found that 42% of pupils felt they had learned little or nothing about the environment at school; acknowledges that teaching about the climate, biodiversity, conservation, and our responsibilities to our environment requires improvement in our education system; understands the vital importance of climate education for our economy, our civil society, and people's wellbeing in the coming years; and as such calls on the Government to support the Climate Education Bill, which will integrate teaching about climate change and sustainability throughout the curriculum in primary schools and secondary schools, and on vocational courses.

## 799 Celebration of the life and work of Robert (Rabbie) Burns

Tabled: 24/01/23 Signatories: 45

**Allan Dorans**

**Dr Philippa Whitford**

**Alan Brown**

**Patricia Gibson**

**Hannah Bardell**

**Stephen Flynn**

**Mhairi Black**

**Steven Bonnar**

**Dr Lisa Cameron**

**Ronnie Cowan**

**Martin Docherty-Hughes**

**Patrick Grady**

**Stewart Hosie**

**Ian Blackford**

**Deidre Brock**

**Douglas Chapman**

**Angela Crawley**

**Dave Doogan**

**Peter Grant**

**Chris Law**

**Kirsty Blackman**

**Amy Callaghan**

**Joanna Cherry**

**Martyn Day**

**Marion Fellows**

**Drew Hendry**

**David Linden**

Stewart Malcolm McDonald  
John McNally  
Gavin Newlands  
Kirsten Oswald  
Alyn Smith  
Richard Thomson

Stuart C McDonald  
Angus Brendan MacNeil  
John Nicolson  
Ms Anum Qaisar  
Chris Stephens  
Owen Thompson

Anne McLaughlin  
Carol Monaghan  
Brendan O'Hara  
Tommy Sheppard  
Alison Thewliss  
Pete Wishart

That this House notes and celebrates the 264th anniversary of the birth of Robert (Rabbie) Burns, Scotland's National Bard, in Alloway on 25 January 1759; notes that he is regarded as a pioneer of the Romantic literacy movement, and after his death became a great source of inspiration to the founders of both liberalism and socialism and a cultural icon in Scotland and among the Scottish diaspora; further notes that he was a poet and lyricist who penned the words of Auld Lang Syne, which is sung across the globe on New Year's Eve; notes that he wrote over 700 other poems and songs including Tam O'Shanter, Ae Fond Kiss, To a Mouse, Scots Wa Hae, A Red, Red Rose and A Man's a Man for A' That, and whose work has been translated into more than 40 languages and his memory honoured by more than 50 official statues including in the UK, US, Canada, New Zealand, Australia, Russia and Estonia; and further notes that he has had his image portrayed on postage stamps, banknotes and coins in a number of countries and that his life, works and immortal memory are celebrated at Burn's Suppers across the world by millions of people on 25 January every year.

## 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.

### 745 Inverness becomes a full fibre city

Tabled: 10/01/23 Signatories: 8

Drew Hendry  
Jim Shannon  
Jonathan Edwards  
Peter Grant  
Allan Dorans  
Patrick Grady

Douglas Chapman

That this House welcomes the news that Inverness has completed its journey to become a full fibre city, with world leading connections now available to thousands of residents and businesses across the city; notes that CityFibre has completed its £24 million full fibre broadband roll out in Inverness; further welcomes this as yet another step to ensure the Highlands thrive, with a successful Inverness at its heart; and notes that without the spark of competition between providers, Inverness would have likely had to wait much longer for future-proof digital infrastructure.

**748 Holocaust Memorial Day 2023**

Tabled: 11/01/23 Signatories: 42

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

John Nicolson

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.

**748A1 [Amendment]**

Tabled: 24/01/23 Signatories: 1

**Sir Peter Bottomley**

Line 10, leave out from 'Centre' to 'pays' and insert 'in a place and manner consistent with the features and facilities listed by the United Kingdom Holocaust Memorial Foundation' 'Search for a Central London site' in September 2015 on page 6 and in the area illustrated and considered to be sufficiently central to meet the visions set out by the Holocaust Commission on page 10'.

**757 Open Doors World Watch List 2023**

Tabled: 16/01/23 Signatories: 10

**Mr Gregory Campbell**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Gavin Robinson**  
**Rachael Maskell**  
**Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson**  
**Mr Barry Sheerman**

Carla Lockhart

That this House notes the ongoing need for the work of organisations such as the Open Doors Movement which seek to help and highlight areas across the globe where Christians continue to be persecuted; draws attention to the parliamentary launch on 18 January 2023 of the annual list of those countries where Christians face the most extreme persecution; and calls on the Government to offer support to all those working to end such persecution across the world.

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

Tabled: 16/01/23 Signatories: 15

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

Carla Lockhart

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.

**761 Anniversary of murder of Judge William Doyle**

Tabled: 16/01/23 Signatories: 6

Jim Shannon  
Sir Mike Penning  
Gavin Robinson  
Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson  
Stephen Farry  
Carla Lockhart

That this House notes the 40th Anniversary of the IRA murder of the most senior Catholic judge, William Doyle, during the troubles; further notes the brutality of his death, he was shot dead as he sat in his car after attending mass at St Brigid's Church in Derryvolgie Avenue in South Belfast on 16 January 1983; highlights that a 72 year old woman who William offered to drive home was also seriously injured when the two gunmen opened fire on the pair; underlines William's dedication to his profession and that he was a father of two, who was well known for defending prominent figures; expresses sympathy to the family of this gentleman who committed his life to practicing his Christian faith and being a good neighbour; and further highlights that nobody has ever been convicted of this killing and that his family deserve justice.

**762 Belfast £47.5 million Cancer Research Boost**

Tabled: 16/01/23 Signatories: 5

Jim Shannon  
Jonathan Edwards  
Gavin Robinson  
Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson  
Carla Lockhart

That this House notes with pride that Belfast is among the centres set for a cancer research boost as scientists receive £47.5 million over the next five years to help develop new treatments; further notes that as a part of a partnership between Cancer Research UK, the NIHR and The Little Princess, 17 adult Experimental Cancer Medicine Centres (ECMCs) will host clinical trials for these treatments; highlights how this will increase funding for the paediatric network and can help employ new research staff, including nurses and data managers, who are critical for delivering these trials to patients; further highlights the potential this research has to save lives, especially children and young people and that there is a sense of renewed hope and positivity; and sends thanks to Cancer

Research UK, NIHR and The Little Princess Trust for this partnership which has enabled Belfast to be a crucial part of research into life saving treatment.

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

Tabled: 17/01/23 Signatories: 10

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

Carla Lockhart

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.

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#### **767 Deans Primary and Nursery Class**

Tabled: 18/01/23 Signatories: 6

**Hannah Bardell**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Chris Stephens**  
**Alison Thewliss**  
**Chris Law**  
**Jim Shannon**

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.

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**769 Citizens Advice Cymru research on prepayment meters**

Tabled: 18/01/23 Signatories: 8

Jonathan Edwards  
Chris Stephens  
Patricia Gibson  
Alison Thewliss  
Rachael Maskell  
Beth Winter

Jim Shannon

Douglas Chapman

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 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**

Tabled: 18/01/23 Signatories: 10

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

Jim Shannon

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: 37

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

Tim Farron  
 Brendan O'Hara  
 Kenny MacAskill  
 Jim Shannon  
 Douglas Chapman

Olivia Blake  
 Cat Smith  
 Marsha De Cordova  
 Steven Bonnar  
 Stuart C McDonald

Chris Law  
 John Nicolson  
 Richard Thomson  
 Alyn Smith  
 Patrick Grady

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.

**774 Nationality on the electoral registration form**

Tabled: 18/01/23 Signatories: 10

Liz Saville Roberts  
 Chris Stephens  
 Patricia Gibson  
 Ben Lake  
 Hywel Williams  
 Caroline Lucas  
 Douglas Chapman

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.

**776 Open Doors and the World Watch List 2023**Tabled: **18/01/23** Signatories: **18**

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

Deidre Brock

Carla Lockhart

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 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.

**779 Energy support for sports facilities**Tabled: **19/01/23** Signatories: **12**

Munira Wilson  
 Caroline Lucas  
 Jamie Stone  
 Wendy Chamberlain  
 Rachael Maskell  
 Tracey Crouch

Tim Farron

Douglas Chapman

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.

**784 Supermarket profits**

Tabled: 20/01/23 Signatories: 23

Ian Mearns  
Ian Byrne  
John McDonnell  
Rebecca Long Bailey  
Rachael Maskell  
Chris Stephens

Kate Osborne

That this House notes reports in the Sunday Times suggesting that, at a time of an acute cost-of-living crisis for households and food inflation running at over 14 per cent, UK supermarkets are set to announce higher-than-anticipated profits; further notes reports that Tesco alone will forecast increased operating profits of nearly £2.5 billion, significantly above its five-yearly average; shares the reported fears of industry insiders that the supermarket giants are benefitting from so-called rocket and feather pricing, where prices rise sharply in response to an inflationary spike, only to remain persistently higher than necessary as the rate of inflation falls; is scandalised that corporate shareholders are making excessive profits while more and more households are forced to use foodbanks; is concerned that, despite these rocketing profits, large retailers in the food and drink sector continue to place undue commercial pressures on their suppliers, leading to a further squeeze on the terms and conditions of workers across the food sector and more suppliers closing sites or going into administration; further notes that food workers, like other low-paid groups in society, are disproportionately impacted by the relentless increase in grocery prices; agrees with the Bakers, Food and Allied Workers union in calling for urgent regulatory action to tackle the plague of excessive corporate profiteering by UK supermarkets; and urges the Government to introduce a statutory Right to Food for everyone in the country.

**786 Farewell service for the Newton Mearns Synagogue**

Tabled: 23/01/23 Signatories: 6

Kirsten Oswald  
Jim Shannon  
Chris Law  
Deidre Brock  
Patrick Grady  
Allan Dorans

That this House notes that there is to be a farewell service for the Newton Mearns Synagogue in the Synagogue at Larchfield Court, Newton Mearns, East Renfrewshire on 22 January 2023; understands that this is a notable event, which will be marked by the attendance of Chief Rabbi Sir Ephraim Mirvis for this special service at the Synagogue; thanks all those whose hard work and dedication has been instrumental to the work of this Synagogue over the years; appreciates the very important place which this Synagogue has held at the heart of the local community and notes that there will be fondly held memories as farewells are said; understands that whilst the farewell service will represent the closing of one chapter, it heralds a new beginning too, with the merger of the Newton Mearns Synagogue and Giffnock Synagogue forming the new Giffnock Newton Mearns Synagogue; and wishes congregations of the Newton Mearns Synagogue and the newly formed Giffnock Newton Mearns Synagogue well for the future, playing a key role at the heart of the East Renfrewshire community.

**787 O Ddrws i Ddrws community transport charity**

Tabled: 23/01/23 Signatories: 2

**Liz Saville Roberts****Jim Shannon**

That this House congratulates Pen Llŷn based community transport charity O Ddrws i Ddrws on twenty years serving the local community; notes O Ddrws i Ddrws was established in January 2003 and has since carried hundreds of passengers on thousands of vital journeys from accessing medical appointments to local shopping trips and school, college and work journeys; further notes that the charity now provides the Lôn i Les welfare service, the innovative Gwerfyl electric car sharing scheme and the Fflecsi Llŷn service, an on-call public transport service during the summer months, in addition to serving as a lifeline to elderly and disabled people; acknowledges the immense contribution of volunteers, staff, trustees, administrators, drivers and financial supporters who have contributed to the charity's success and is testament to the continued need for the service; and wishes O Ddrws i Ddrws all the best for the future.

**788 Daesh genocide against Yazidis, Christians and other religious minorities in Syria and Iraq**

Tabled: 23/01/23 Signatories: 11

**Kirsten Oswald****Brendan O'Hara****Drew Hendry****Ms Anum Qaisar****Jim Shannon****Chris Law****Stephen Farry****Patrick Grady****Deidre Brock****Allan Dorans****Carla Lockhart**

That this house urges the UK Government to formally recognise the Daesh atrocities against the Yazidis, Christians and other religious or belief minorities in Syria and Iraq as genocide; understands that it is the long-standing policy of the UK Government not to make determinations of genocide but to leave it for competent courts; notes that on 30 November 2021 a criminal court in Frankfurt, Germany, convicted an Iraqi national for his involvement in genocide, crimes against humanity and other crimes; also notes that on 27 July 2022 the Higher Regional Court of Hamburg convicted German Daesh member Jalda A of aiding and abetting genocide as well as of crimes against humanity and war crimes for the enslavement and abuse of a young Yazidi woman; acknowledges that a criminal court is, in the view of the UK Government, a competent court to make determinations of genocide; and in light of the above renews calls to the UK Government to formally recognise the atrocities committed against the Yazidis, Christians and other religious or belief minorities in Syria and Iraq as genocide.

**789 70th Anniversary of the loss of MV Princess Victoria**

Tabled: 23/01/23 Signatories: 6

Stephen Farry  
 Jim Shannon  
 Sir Mike Penning  
 Jonathan Edwards  
 Carla Lockhart  
 Patrick Grady

That this house acknowledges the 70th anniversary of the loss of the roll-on/roll-off ferry MV Princess Victoria off the shores of Northern Ireland near the Copeland Islands on 31 January 1953; commemorates the loss of 135 lives, including Northern Ireland Finance Minister Sir Maynard Sinclair, and the MP for North Down, Sir Walter Smiles; pays tribute to the bravery to the crews of the ships and lifeboats that rallied to her assistance, in particular the crew of the Donaghadee lifeboat, the Sir Samuel Kelly, who saved the lives of 33 passengers; commends the efforts of the community in Donaghadee to preserve the Sir Samuel Kelly; and praises the ongoing dedication of the volunteers with the Royal National Lifeboat Institution to rescue those in peril on our seas.

**790 Disappearance of migrant children from asylum hotels**

Tabled: 23/01/23 Signatories: 34

Ms Diane Abbott  
 Jim Shannon  
 Bell Ribeiro-Addy  
 Rebecca Long Bailey  
 Caroline Lucas  
 Jamie Stone

Jonathan Edwards  
 Mohammad Yasin  
 Tim Farron  
 Marsha De Cordova  
 Olivia Blake  
 Deidre Brock  
 Margaret Ferrier  
 Margaret Greenwood  
 Patrick Grady  
 Helen Morgan

Charlotte Nichols  
 Chris Law  
 Claudia Webbe  
 David Linden  
 Mrs Paulette Hamilton  
 Steve McCabe  
 Richard Foord  
 Allan Dorans  
 Kirsten Oswald

Kenny MacAskill  
 Christine Jardine  
 Stewart Hosie  
 Claire Hanna  
 Stephen Farry  
 Nadia Whittome  
 Steven Bonnar  
 Anne McLaughlin  
 Kate Osborne

That this House notes concerning reports of unaccompanied asylum-seeking children disappearing from hotels; expresses concern for the welfare of these children; notes that several reports suggest that these children are being targeted and trafficked; further notes that in one example, 136 children went missing from one hotel in 18 months and that 79 of these children remain unaccounted for; and calls for the Home Office to immediately review safeguarding arrangements for asylum-seeking children in hotels.

**791 SaxaVord UK Spaceport partnership with RFA Space**

Tabled: 23/01/23 Signatories: 5

**Mr Alistair Carmichael**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Tim Farron**  
**Stephen Farry**  
**Douglas Chapman**

That this House welcomes the announcement by Shetland's SaxaVord UK Spaceport of their launch operations partnership with RFA Space; notes that the company's first launch is currently planned for the end of 2023; understands that if successful, this could represent the first vertical space launch from a UK site, taking place from the northernmost point in the UK; believes that the sort of skilled jobs created by companies like Saxavord and others are vital to the future of rural and island communities; and wishes both companies every success with the launch.