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## Early Day Motions tabled on Thursday 26 January 2023

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### New EDMs

#### 804 Y Madryn, Chwilog, Countryside Alliance Awards best pub in Wales

Tabled: 26/01/23 Signatories: 1

Liz Saville Roberts

That this House warmly congratulates Tafarn Y Madryn Arms, Chwilog on their success at this year's Wales Countryside Alliance Awards, securing first place in the Best Pub in Wales category; notes that the Madryn dates back to 1868 and was part of the Madryn Estate (Tudweiliog), owned by Sir Love Jones Parry; further notes that the arrival of the railway in Chwilog led to the building of the Madryn, creating a direct link between the train station and Porthdinllaen which at the time was a favoured site for a port between north Wales and Ireland; welcomes the fact that the Madryn Arms was bought and extensively refurbished in 2021 by five local friends, having been closed for several years, with a vision to transform the pub into a community hub, hosting local events and providing fresh, local food at their café and restaurant; and wishes the Madryn and its owners the very best as they represent Wales at the Countryside Alliance Awards UK finals in London in May.

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#### 805 Private treatment at NHS hospitals

Tabled: 26/01/23 Signatories: 5

Margaret Greenwood  
John McDonnell  
Debbie Abrahams  
Kate Osborne  
Rebecca Long Bailey

That this House notes that the Health and Social Care Act 2012 in effect allows NHS Foundation Trusts to earn 49 per cent of their income from treating private patients; acknowledges that, before it was amended during its passage through Parliament, it set no limit on private income, demonstrating that the Conservative and Liberal Democrat coalition Government had initially planned to enable NHS Foundation Trusts to earn as much of their income as they wanted from

treating private patients; further notes that in 2011 the majority of NHS Foundation Trusts had private income caps of between 0.1 per cent and 2 per cent; is concerned by recent reports that NHS Trusts are promoting expensive private healthcare at their hospitals, offering patients the chance to jump NHS waiting lists; is further concerned that this will increase waiting times for NHS patients; believes that this is leading to a two-tier health system where people who have the means to pay can get treated more quickly, while NHS patients face longer waits, often in pain and discomfort; notes that this is not in the spirit in which the NHS was created; further notes that with waiting lists of over 7 million, there is no excess capacity in the NHS; recognises that the NHS is publicly owned and publicly funded and should remain a comprehensive and universal service, free at the point of use; and calls on the Government to put an end to NHS facilities being used to provide services to private patients.

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#### **806 Nan McKay Hall 40th anniversary**

Tabled: 26/01/23 Signatories: 1

**Alison Thewliss**

That this House congratulates Nan McKay Hall in Pollokshields on celebrating its 40th anniversary; understands that this community centre provides a wide range of services for the people of Pollokshields of all ages and backgrounds; notes regular events such as stained glass, beadwork, soup making, English as a second language, computing skills, yoga, chiropody and much more; especially notes the contribution of Bill Lawns in delivering the services at Nan McKay and his dedication to the community of Pollokshields; and wishes them every success in the future.

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#### **807 Care-experience and protected characteristics under the Equality Act 2010**

Tabled: 26/01/23 Signatories: 1

**Chris Law**

That this House recognises that the Equality Act 2010 currently protects people against discrimination for protected characteristics including age, race, gender and sexuality, but not care-experience; praises campaigns by organisations including Who Cares? Scotland and campaigners such as Terry Galloway, who have long lobbied for care-experience to be classed as a protected characteristic; notes that those who are care-experienced are more likely than the general population to face significant challenges in their life, such as mental health issues, barriers to further education, prison sentences and early mortality; further recognises that classifying care-experience as a protected characteristic would be, according to campaigners, the single biggest action taken to support those who are care-experienced; and calls on the Government to amend the Equality Act 2010 to include care-experience as a protected characteristic.

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## 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.

### 752 Disability and cost of living

Tabled: 12/01/23 Signatories: 19

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

Claire Hanna

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.

### 771 UK arms sales to Saudi Arabia for use in Yemen

Tabled: 18/01/23 Signatories: 45

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

Alan Brown

Claire Hanna

Carol Monaghan

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.

## 776 Open Doors and the World Watch List 2023

Tabled: 18/01/23 Signatories: 22

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

Claire Hanna

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.

## 781 HSBC and the Garzweiler coal mine

Tabled: 19/01/23 Signatories: 5

Tony Lloyd  
Rachael Maskell  
Ben Lake  
Liz Saville Roberts  
Hywel Williams

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.

**784 Supermarket profits**

Tabled: 20/01/23 Signatories: 31

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

Caroline Lucas  
 Hywel Williams

Ben Lake  
 Claire Hanna

Liz Saville Roberts

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.

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

Tabled: 23/01/23 Signatories: 4

Liz Saville Roberts  
 Jim Shannon  
 Ben Lake  
 Hywel Williams

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 Llŷn 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: 16

Kirsten Oswald  
Brendan O'Hara  
Drew Hendry  
Ms Anum Qaisar  
Jim Shannon  
Chris Law

Caroline Lucas  
Hywel Williams

Ben Lake

Liz Saville Roberts

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.

## 790 Disappearance of migrant children from asylum hotels

Tabled: 23/01/23 Signatories: 47

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

Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck  
Hywel Williams

Ben Lake  
Mary Kelly Foy

Liz Saville Roberts  
Zarah Sultana

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: **8**

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

Liz Saville Roberts

Hywel Williams

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.

**792 National Supported Internship Day**Tabled: **24/01/23** Signatories: **10**

**Mr Barry Sheerman**  
**Dr Lisa Cameron**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Alan Brown**  
**Marion Fellows**

Allan Dorans

Ben Lake

Liz Saville Roberts

Hywel Williams

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.

**795 Ryan Cornelius and the UAE**Tabled: **24/01/23** Signatories: **5**

**Sir Peter Bottomley**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Ben Lake**  
**Liz Saville Roberts**  
**Hywel Williams**

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.

## 798 The Climate Education Bill

Tabled: 24/01/23 Signatories: 11

Nadia Whittome  
Clive Lewis  
Caroline Lucas  
Rebecca Long Bailey  
Jeremy Corbyn  
Claudia Webbe

Claire Hanna

Olivia Blake

That this House notes the IPCC'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: 49

Allan Dorans  
Dr Philippa Whitford  
Alan Brown  
Patricia Gibson  
Hannah Bardell  
Stephen Flynn

Ben Lake

Liz Saville Roberts

Hywel Williams

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 literary 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.



**800 Air pollution from vehicles**

Tabled: 25/01/23 Signatories: 6

**Mr Barry Sheerman**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Caroline Lucas**  
**Ben Lake**  
**Liz Saville Roberts**  
**Hywel Williams**

That this House notes the impact particulate number testing in the MOT would have on reducing toxic air pollution from vehicles; is horrified that up to 36,000 people a year die prematurely from the effects of air pollution; is concerned that the total cost to the NHS and social care will be £1.5bn by 2025 and £5.1bn by 2035; therefore considers it necessary to take immediate action to identify and remove dangerous polluting vehicles from the roads; welcomes the Government's belief that implementing particulate number testing is the right thing to do; and urges the Government to follow through on its belief and implement particulate number testing soon after its open consultation on the MOT closes to reduce air pollution across the UK.

**801 The Asda Foundation's Empowering Local Communities Grant**

Tabled: 25/01/23 Signatories: 2

**Margaret Ferrier**  
**Jim Shannon**

That this House congratulates the recipients of The Asda Foundation's Empowering Local Communities Grant in South Lanarkshire; Chatty Crafters who are nurturing both creativity and conversation in the Cambuslang community, the Scottish National Memorial to David Livingstone Trust which is committed to the advancement of education, arts, heritage, culture and science, the Blantyre Old Parish Church of Scotland whose work promotes community, friendship and faith through learning, Supporting Our Community in Hamilton who aid those in their community who are struggling with mental ill-health, isolation and loneliness, Hyper Cyber Youth Project for its work in supporting and inspiring young people in Blantyre, Whitlawburn Community Resource Centre which hosts outreach programmes and provides support to those suffering financial hardship, and Stonelaw High Parent Council who are committed to enhancing the education and support received by Stonelaw High's pupils; wishes all winners the very best in future voluntary work; and commends Asda for its investment in organisations that work tirelessly to the benefit of their wider communities.

**802 Darvel Football Club's Scottish Cup win**

Tabled: 25/01/23 Signatories: 2

**Alan Brown**  
**Jim Shannon**

This House congratulates Darvel FC on their fantastic football performance and Scottish Cup victory over Aberdeen FC on Monday 23rd of January; notes that this is regarded as the biggest Scottish Cup shock ever; recognises that Aberdeen were sitting in 5th place in the Scottish Premiership whilst Darvel play in the West of Scotland League, the 6th tier of Scottish football; notes that Darvel FC is a fantastic community club based in a village with a population of 4,000 whilst Aberdeen FC is based in a city of approximately 200,000 population; recognises that the players and staff of Darvel FC are part time compared to the full-time professionals of Aberdeen FC; commends Darvel FC on the ground improvements implemented before the match to increase the capacity of Recreation Park; notes that other infrastructure improvements include upgrading the facilities and changing rooms, a new grass pitch, floodlights, fencing and safety improvements demonstrating long-term

planning from the committee; further notes the significant financial backing from President John Gall, the sponsorship of QTS as well as the dedication, commitment and managerial skills of Michael Kennedy; praises Darvel FC for dedicating the match to past President Peter Orr, a lifetime stalwart of the club and a club legend who sadly passed away in December 2022; wishes Darvel FC all the best in the next round of the Scottish Cup at home to Falkirk; and notes that ambitious clubs like Darvel FC should have greater opportunity for promotion and says "mon the Vale".

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### 803 East Lothian schools awarded anti-racism grants

Tabled: 25/01/23 Signatories: 2

**Kenny MacAskill**  
**Jim Shannon**

That this House congratulates Ross High School in Tranent and Preston Lodge High School in Prestonpans on being awarded over £50,000 collectively to support part of the 2022-23 School Library Improvement Fund; understands that the funds are administered by the Scottish Library and Information Council, on behalf of the Scottish Government, to support creative and innovative projects within the school library sector; notes that this year's funding prioritised applications which focused on supporting anti-racism and racial inequality, with Ross High School library's project titled Stand Up and Be Counted and Preston Lodge High School library's project titled East Lothian Black History; and wishes everyone involved the very best of luck with their respective project.