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Early Day Motions tabled on Wednesday 1 February 2023

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New EDMs

826 Funding for local government and public toilet provision

Tabled: 1/02/23 Signatories: 1

Caroline Lucas

That this House believes that public toilets are essential social infrastructure, vital for public health and inclusion, and necessary for people with long term conditions, disabilities, young children, homeless people and others of all ages to get out and about; notes that toilet provision was discussed during the passage of the Levelling Up and Regeneration Bill, with the Minister stating this was a fundamentally local issue; further notes that if central Government systematically strips funding so that Local Government has faced a 63% real terms budget reduction between 2010-11 and 2022-23 based on Treasury figures, this has an impact on services, and public toilet provision becomes a fundamentally national issue; welcomes the recent increase in core spending power in this year's local government finance settlement but considers it wholly insufficient to counter the impact of a decade of drastic cuts on the future financial sustainability of councils on a cliff-edge; urges the Government to consider that people are starting to push for national legislation on provision of toilets out of desperation, because Ministers are washing their hands of their responsibilities to ensure local authorities can properly fund the local services they want to make available to their communities; and calls on Ministers to fully reverse the cuts to local government budgets since 2010 in order to enable the provision and restoration of vital local services.

827 Exiting the European Union

Tabled: 1/02/23 Signatories: 14

Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson
 Mr Jacob Rees-Mogg
 Sammy Wilson
 Mr David Jones
 Carla Lockhart
 Mr Mark Francois

Ian Paisley
 Mr Laurence Robertson
 Gavin Robinson

John Redwood
 Paul Girvan
 Mr Gregory Campbell

Jim Shannon
 Craig Mackinlay

That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Official Controls (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2023 (S.I., 2023, No. 17), dated 11 January 2023, a copy of which was laid before this House on 12 January 2023, be annulled.

828 Exiting the European Union (No. 2)

Tabled: 1/02/23 Signatories: 14

Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson
 Mr Jacob Rees-Mogg
 Sammy Wilson
 Mr David Jones
 Carla Lockhart
 Mr Mark Francois

Ian Paisley
 Mr Laurence Robertson
 Gavin Robinson

John Redwood
 Paul Girvan
 Mr Gregory Campbell

Jim Shannon
 Craig Mackinlay

That this House calls upon the Government to withdraw the Official Controls (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2023 (S.I., 2023, No. 17) because they are injurious to the integrity of the UK Internal Market in circumstances where the Northern Ireland Protocol has not been replaced by new arrangements that respect and protect Northern Ireland's place in the UK and that they thereby violate the New Decade New Approach Agreement; notes that the Regulations give effect to a customs border that divides the United Kingdom, treating Northern Ireland like a foreign country; further notes that it is their purpose to protect the integrity of a different legal regime in Northern Ireland created by laws in over 300 areas imposed by a polity of which it is not a part and in which it has no representation; notes that it is their purpose to protect the integrity of a legal regime that uniquely within the UK means the people of Northern Ireland can no longer elect fellow citizens to make all the laws to which they are subject; further notes that the Regulations are implicated in upholding the integrity of a legal regime which undermines the 1998 Belfast Agreement institutions, cross community consent and the right the Agreement affords the people of Northern Ireland to pursue democratically national and political aspirations; and is convinced that it would be harmful to proceed with such regulations on the eve of the twenty fifth anniversary of the Good Friday Agreement when so many hopes hang upon them

829 40th Anniversary Ballycrochan Baptist Church, BangorTabled: **1/02/23** Signatories: **1****Jim Shannon**

That that this house celebrates the 40th Anniversary of Ballycrochan Baptist Church in Bangor, Northern Ireland; notes they are a place of worship, made up of ordinary people from all age groups, backgrounds and walks of life with one great thing in common, a faith that is grounded in God's word and the Bible; further notes its contribution to the Association of Baptist Churches in Ireland, a group of 117 Baptist churches across Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland, working and fellowshiping together in evangelism, training and caring ministries; highlights its official opening in 1983, when Derek Hutchinson was appointed as the first Pastor; congratulates them on their success over the last 40 years; and wishes them all the best for the years to come.

830 Brexit Economic ReportTabled: **1/02/23** Signatories: **1****Douglas Chapman**

That this House notes with dismay that on the the third anniversary of the UK leaving the EU, according to a Bloomberg Economic Report, Brexit is costing the UK economy £100 bn in lost output each year and is having a detrimental effect on business investment and availability of workers, while leaving the UK economy 4% smaller than it might have been had the UK remained in the EU; further notes that a poll by Unherd Britain shows dwindling support for Brexit even in 2016 pro-Leave areas and many other constituencies showing a greater proportion of people being Bregretful in 2023; welcomes the series of Lights On torchlit processions in Scotland designed to remind people of what has been lost through Brexit and to enthuse the Scottish electorate that after Scotland becomes an independent nation, it will wish to take up the slot of the 28th EU nation state vacated by the UK

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.

771 UK arms sales to Saudi Arabia for use in YemenTabled: **18/01/23** Signatories: **57**

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

Kate Osborne

Stewart Malcolm McDonald

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.

790 Disappearance of migrant children from asylum hotels

Tabled: 23/01/23 Signatories: 55

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

Tony Lloyd

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.

795 Ryan Cornelius and the UAE

Tabled: 24/01/23 Signatories: 16

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

Crispin Blunt
 Margaret Ferrier

Allan Dorans

Tim Farron

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.

797 Tenth anniversary of local coffee shop chain Bob & Berts

Tabled: 24/01/23 Signatories: 9

Mr Gregory Campbell
Jim Shannon
Gavin Robinson
Paul Girvan
Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson
Stephen Farry

Douglas Chapman

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.

805 Private treatment at NHS hospitals

Tabled: 26/01/23 Signatories: 22

Margaret Greenwood
John McDonnell
Debbie Abrahams
Kate Osborne
Rebecca Long Bailey
Rachael Maskell

Mick Whitley

Richard Burgon

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.

809 Epilepsy Scotland survey launch

Tabled: 30/01/23 Signatories: 5

Douglas Chapman
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans
Stewart Hosie
Kirsten Oswald

That this House values the work of Epilepsy Scotland and welcomes the support the organisation gives those with the condition across Scotland; further welcomes the following areas of specific support available from dedicated staff for those in need of help and advice including their Helpline and Check-In Service, Youth Service, Well-being Service and Welfare Rights; supports their newly launched survey on the link between mental health issues and epilepsy; and encourages those with the condition to complete the survey and have their voices heard.

811 Drive-through road side pollution

Tabled: 30/01/23 Signatories: 10

Mr Barry Sheerman
Jim Shannon
Richard Foord
Christine Jardine
Stewart Hosie
Mr Virendra Sharma

Allan Dorans

Andrew Selous

Tony Lloyd

That this House recognises that poor air quality is one of the greatest public health challenges of our time; has considered the research conducted by the BBC and Dr Anita Chinnaswamy which discovered that levels of nitrogen dioxide and particulate matter were peaking at many times the UK legal air quality limits for emissions within the drive-throughs of select major fast food outlets; is concerned about the severe health impacts that air pollution can have on those individuals who suffer from prolonged exposure, such as employees and local residents; deeply regrets the link between instances of high road air pollution and deprivation in our country; and calls upon the Government to prioritise enforcement of the law and the fast-food industry to implement innovative solutions to reduce exposure to road air pollution caused by idling vehicles in drive-throughs in the quickest way possible.

813 Support for the hospice sector

Tabled: 30/01/23 Signatories: 8

Patricia Gibson
Jonathan Edwards
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans
Dan Carden
Stewart Hosie

Martin Docherty-Hughes

Valerie Vaz

That this House applauds the excellent end of life care and support provided by hospices across the UK to 300,000 people and their families every year; is concerned by the financial strain placed upon hospices due to the soaring costs of energy which places around £100m of additional costs a year; appreciates the significant impact the cost of living crisis is having on the hospice sector's fundraising which accounts for two thirds of adult's hospice income and four fifths of children's

hospice income; values the critical role the hospice sector has within the UK's health and care system; understands that the work of hospices relieve pressure on the NHS; is mindful that simply reducing energy consumption is not a viable option for hospices which need to keep medical machines running and inpatient units warm for those in their care; further understands that increased running costs cannot be passed on to service users as they would in the business sector; and urgently calls for additional support with energy costs to be provided to the hospice sector which may otherwise struggle to continue with its valuable work to those requiring end of life care and their families.

814 State pension age and 1950s-born women

Tabled: 31/01/23 Signatories: 9

Wendy Chamberlain
Jim Shannon
Jonathan Edwards
Helen Morgan
Richard Foord
Valerie Vaz

Wera Hobhouse

Jamie Stone

Tim Farron

That this House notes with concern the losses borne by 1950s women as a result of maladministration by the Department for Work and Pensions; supports the independent inquiry of the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman; notes that on average over one hundred 1950s born women die daily, many of whom have suffered losses and die without compensation; and urges the Government to commit to meeting the compensation recommendations of the Ombudsman upon publication.

815 First Portadown Presbyterian Church

Tabled: 31/01/23 Signatories: 2

Carla Lockhart
Jim Shannon

That this House joins with the congregation of First Portadown Presbyterian Church, Edenderry Presbyterian Church, in celebrating over 200 years of Christian witness in Portadown and the surrounding area; recognises the positive impact of the Church in the community throughout two centuries since 1822; and wishes the congregation well as they embark upon the next century of their evangelism and service in the Portadown area.

816 Preconception care strategy

Tabled: 31/01/23 Signatories: 2

Siobhain McDonagh
Jim Shannon

That this House concurs with the World Health Organisation (WHO) that preconception preparation enables the healthy pregnancy and confident parenthood that addresses the transmission of disparities in life chances across the generations; recognises that providing educational, biomedical, behavioural and social health interventions for young people, women and prospective parents prior to conception is of fundamental importance in improving pregnancy outcomes and children's subsequent physical and mental health, development, resilience and educational aptitude; understands that the importance of preconception care is accepted by the Office for Health

Improvement and Disparities within the Department for Health and Social Care; congratulates the UK Preconception Partnership for working across health, education and charitable sectors to normalise preconception preparations for a healthy pregnancy and parenthood and Children's Alliance for recommending the benefits in its Guide: Children's Health and Wellbeing, Reversing the Damage; and calls upon the Government to ensure that integrated preconception care is available to all people in the UK and prioritised in policy content across every Government Department

817 50th anniversary of Dundee Civic Trust

Tabled: **31/01/23** Signatories: **3**

Chris Law
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans

That this House congratulates Dundee Civic Trust on the occasion of its 50th anniversary; notes that the Trust was founded in February 1973 by local people to help support the protection and conservation of Dundee's numerous historic buildings; further notes that the Trust continues to this day to promote and organise talks and events which help educate local people on Dundee and its built environment, and in particular matters of civic design, architecture and conservation; thanks all Trustees, both past and present, who have helped to run and develop the Trust over its fifty years; and wishes them all the best for the future.

818 Radio 1's Big Weekend Dundee

Tabled: **31/01/23** Signatories: **4**

Chris Law
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans
Kirsten Oswald

That this House welcomes the announcement that BBC Radio 1's Big Weekend 2023 will be held in Dundee's Camperdown Park; notes that the Big Weekend 2020 was due to be held in the city but was sadly cancelled due to the covid-19 pandemic; further notes that 80,000 people are expected to attend the festival over its three days, with millions more watching and listening to coverage through the BBC; recognises the cultural and economic benefits that this will bring to Dundee and the wider area; thanks BBC Radio 1 and organisers for their decision to return to Camperdown Park, the first time a venue in Scotland will host the event for a second time; and wishes all involved in its organisation all the best ahead of May.

819 Second anniversary of military coup in Myanmar

Tabled: 31/01/23 Signatories: 21

Rushanara Ali
Dame Margaret Hodge
Sir Iain Duncan Smith
Joanna Cherry
Dan Jarvis
Mohammad Yasin

Jim Shannon
 Tahir Ali
 Mick Whitley
 Stewart Hosie
 Kirsten Oswald

Jonathan Edwards
 John Spellar
 Kim Johnson
 John McDonnell
 Margaret Ferrier

Kenny MacAskill
 Anne McLaughlin
 Mr Virendra Sharma
 Debbie Abrahams
 Tony Lloyd

That this House extends solidarity to the people of Myanmar resisting the military coup that took place on 1 February 2021; deplores that over 17,000 people have been arrested, over 2,700 killed and over one million forced to flee their homes; calls for the immediate release of elected members of Parliament illegally detained by the Burmese military, for an end to torture and sexual violence against activists in detention, and for the release of all political prisoners; condemns the almost daily use of airstrikes by the Burmese military; further calls on the Government to do everything it can to end the supply of aviation fuel to the Burmese military; welcomes the Government's international lead on sanctioning sources of revenue and arms to the Burmese military; calls for increased resources to be dedicated to speeding up the pace of such sanctions; further welcomes the Government's decision to join the Rohingya genocide case at the International Court of Justice; calls on the Government to convene a meeting at the UN Security Council on Myanmar's non-compliance with the provisional measures to prevent genocide set out by the International Court of Justice; calls on the Government to increase efforts to persuade countries such as India and Pakistan to stop supplying arms and other military equipment to the Burmese military; and calls on the Government to increase humanitarian aid, including cross-border aid, through local civil society organisations.

820 LGBT+ History Month 2023

Tabled: 31/01/23 Signatories: 3

Kirsten Oswald
Jonathan Edwards
Allan Dorans

That this House recognises February as LGBT+ History Month and welcomes 2023's Behind the Lens theme, celebrating the vast contribution LGBT+ people make to cinema and film; commemorates the struggle for LGBT+ rights over past decades and celebrates the hard-won freedoms and rights gained by the LGBT+ community; understands that progress on LGBT+ rights has not been universal, with many countries across the world continuing to enforce anti-LGBT+ laws which can carry significant punishments; appreciates that the campaign for LGBT+ equality continues and there remains a great deal more work to do to ensure all LGBT+ people can live their lives free from prejudice and hatred; and applauds all those working to end discrimination against LGBT+ people across the world.

821 Fundraising by Cole Park

Tabled: 31/01/23 Signatories: 3

Amy Callaghan
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans

That this House commends six year old Cole Park on his outstanding achievement completing the family fun run in Glasgow Green in December 2022; understands that Cole raised £20,164 for the Beatson Cancer Charity through registration fees and online donations; notes that Cole led the Santa Dash in his wheelchair with over 4000 runners in the first run in three years; congratulates Cole and his mother Michelle for their incredible dedication and for bringing together the community to raise funds for such a vital charity; thanks Glasgow City Council for organising and supporting the event; and wishes Cole all the very best for his ongoing treatment at the Beatson West of Scotland Cancer centre.

822 Vitamin D awareness

Tabled: 31/01/23 Signatories: 3

Mr Barry Sheerman [R]
Jim Shannon
Valerie Vaz

That this House notes the growing body of evidence that suggests the numerous health benefits of vitamin D; recognises the impact that vitamin D can have on the body's regulation of calcium and phosphate which helps to keep bones, teeth and muscles healthy; echoes the NHS's advice that everyone should consider taking a daily vitamin D supplement during the autumn and winter to stay healthy; and congratulates community initiatives such as Sustainable Huddersfield that are leading the way in raising awareness of vitamin D in local communities.

823 Rookie Rockstars East Dunbartonshire

Tabled: 31/01/23 Signatories: 4

Amy Callaghan
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans
Kirsten Oswald

That this House congratulates Rookie Rockstars on the opening of its new headquarters in Kirkintilloch; commends the efforts of founder David Brackenridge and the Rookie Rockstars committee for the dedication they have shown to support communities across East Dunbartonshire; thanks the volunteer team and advocates for their continuous hard work and support; praises Rookie Rockstars for the achievements in developing and implementing the new Rookie Minds counselling service to support young people and vulnerable members of the community; and wishes them every success for the new headquarters and continued success for services in Kirkintilloch and across East Dunbartonshire.

824 Bearsden Academy

Tabled: 31/01/23 Signatories: 4

Amy Callaghan
Margaret Ferrier
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans

That this House congratulates Bearsden Academy on its recent placement as one of the highest performing secondary schools in Scotland; commends the dedication and leadership of the headteacher George Cooper; notes that the school achieved a fantastic result of third place in Scotland; congratulates Bearsden Academy on its vision and values and commitment to learning and development; further recognises the excellent standard of schools in East Dunbartonshire more broadly; and wishes Bearsden Academy all the very best and looks forward to its future achievements and academic success.

825 30 Years of Celtic connections music festival

Tabled: 31/01/23 Signatories: 4

Alison Thewliss
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans
Kirsten Oswald

That this House congratulates music festival Celtic Connections on its 30th anniversary; notes the breadth of talent and cross-genre spirit of this festival which has brightened Glasgow winters for three decades; understands the festival celebrates Glasgow's connections to cultures all over the world through folk, roots and world music; appreciates the contribution to Scotland's cultural landscape that this festival has made over the years; understands this year's Celtic Connections featured over 2,100 musicians from around the world in over 300 events; notes the festival has gone from strength to strength since its inception in 1994; and hopes that it continues to do so for many years to come.