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New EDMs

835 Local government

Tabled: 6/02/23 Signatories: 1

Sir George Howarth

That this House notes the important role of local government in providing services to communities; further notes that, regrettably, councils currently face a funding gap of £3.19 billion; expresses strong concern that the serious depletion of councils' reserves will lead to vital services being cut; further expresses concern that, as a consequence of energy costs and other inflationary pressures on council budgets, the gap is likely to grow to over £5 billion by 2024-25; and calls on the Government to commit to providing additional resources in order to ensure that local government is properly funded to prevent the problems that will inevitably follow from the funding gap.

836 45th anniversary of La Mon House bombing

Tabled: 6/02/23 Signatories: 1

Jim Shannon

That this House notes with sadness the 45th anniversary of the incendiary La Mon bombing attack by the Provisional IRA on the 17 February 1978; further notes this has been described as one of the worst atrocities of the Troubles and that the attack created a fireball, killing 12 people and injuring 30 more, many of whom were severely burnt and treated at the Ulster Hospital; highlights that the IRA may have been targeting RUC officers they believed were meeting in a restaurant that night, but had got the wrong date and that the RUC officers had taken place exactly a week before, but there can never be a justification for a bomb in this place and manner; underlines the struggle emergency services had with identification due to excessive fire damage and that a Belfast man Robert Murphy, received 12 life sentences in 1981 for the murder of those killed; expresses

disappointment that he was freed from prison on license in 1985 and justice was never truly served; and reminds the victims and their families that this atrocity will never be forgotten.

837 Earthquakes in Turkey and Syria

Tabled: 6/02/23 Signatories: 1

Jim Shannon

That this House notes that a powerful earthquake struck south eastern Turkey, near the Syrian border, at 04:17 local time, and has killed more than 1,700 people through the night; further notes that thousands of other civilians have been found seriously injured and trapped and that the 7.8 magnitude tremor struck near the city of Gaziantep at a depth of 17.9km; adds that hours later, a second earthquake, which had a magnitude of 7.5, hit the Elbistan district of Kahramanmaras province; underlines that so far over 1,700 people have tragically died in both Turkey and Syria and that seismologists said the first quake was one of the largest ever recorded in Turkey; further underlines the extensive damage to infrastructure, that among the buildings destroyed was Gaziantep Castle and that many victims in war-torn northern Syria were killed in refugee camps in rebel-held areas; sends condolences for each and every loss and urges the Government to make available any assistance possible.

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.

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

Tabled: 23/01/23 Signatories: 18

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

John McDonnell

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: 57

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

Stewart Malcolm McDonald **John McDonnell**

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.

792 National Supported Internship Day

Tabled: 24/01/23 Signatories: 12

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

John McDonnell

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: 22

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

John McDonnell **Richard Foord**

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: 16

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

John McDonnell

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: 51

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

John McDonnell

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.

800 Air pollution from vehicles

Tabled: 25/01/23 Signatories: 9

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

John McDonnell

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.

805 Private treatment at NHS hospitals

Tabled: 26/01/23 Signatories: 27

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

Ian Byrne

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.

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

Tabled: 26/01/23 Signatories: 6

Chris Law
Allan Dorans
Stewart Hosie
Alison Thewliss
Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck
John McDonnell

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.

811 Drive-through road side pollution

Tabled: 30/01/23 Signatories: 16

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

John McDonnell

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: 16

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

Deidre Brock

John McDonnell

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: 18

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

Rebecca Long Bailey

John McDonnell

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.

816 Preconception care strategy

Tabled: 31/01/23 Signatories: 5

Siobhain McDonagh
Jim Shannon
Sir Peter Bottomley
Patricia Gibson
John McDonnell

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

819 Second anniversary of military coup in Myanmar

Tabled: 31/01/23 Signatories: 28

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

Stewart Malcolm McDonald

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: 13

Kirsten Oswald
 Jonathan Edwards
 Allan Dorans
 Caroline Lucas
 Amy Callaghan
 Chris Law

John McDonnell

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.

822 Vitamin D awareness

Tabled: 31/01/23 Signatories: 8

Mr Barry Sheerman [R]

Jim Shannon

Valerie Vaz

Stewart Hosie

Hywel Williams

Ben Lake

John McDonnell

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.

826 Funding for local government and public toilet provision

Tabled: 1/02/23 Signatories: 2

Caroline Lucas

John McDonnell

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: 16

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

Sir Iain Duncan Smith

Theresa Villiers

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: 15

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

Theresa Villiers

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.

831 Forced installations of prepayment energy meters

Tabled: 2/02/23 Signatories: 8

Mr Barry Sheerman
Jonathan Edwards
Hywel Williams
Ben Lake
Liz Saville Roberts
Steven Bonnar

Jim Shannon

John McDonnell

That this House notes the energy price crisis facing families up and down the country and the need for urgent action to support struggling households; is concerned by the forced installation of prepayment meters in the most vulnerable homes with higher tariffs and when smart meters are switched to prepayment meters remotely without prior consent; welcomes the decision by some energy suppliers to pause this practice; and calls for a three-month moratorium on forced installations whilst a review is conducted of how energy vulnerability can be reduced.

832 Pay offer for Members' staff

Tabled: 2/02/23 Signatories: 30

Lloyd Russell-Moyle
Mary Kelly Foy
Grahame Morris
Bell Ribeiro-Addy
Kate Osborne
Andy McDonald

Anne McLaughlin
Mick Whitley
Olivia Blake
Jon Cruddas
Rebecca Long Bailey
Beth Winter

Ian Mearns
Steven Bonnar
Jeremy Corbyn
Ronnie Cowan
Ian Byrne
Rachael Maskell

Nadia Whittome
John McDonnell
Drew Hendry
Kim Johnson
Sam Tarry [R]

That this House notes after years of below inflation pay increases to MPs staff that the 2023-24 pay offer of 4.9 per cent from the Independent Parliamentary Standards Authority is grossly inadequate; supports the Unite Parliamentary branch's demand for a RPI plus two percent pay increase; recognises a 2020 independent report to the Independent Parliamentary Standards Authority found that staff were underpaid to comparable positions; backs the Unite Parliamentary Branch's campaign to have another pay review inquiry with an automatic uplift associated to the recommendations of any report; and calls on the Independent Parliamentary Standards Authority to negotiate with the branch to prevent industrial action against MPs.

833 Sophia Martin's Professional Deal with Glasgow City Football Club

Tabled: 3/02/23 Signatories: 2

Margaret Ferrier
Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates Sophia Martin, from Cambuslang, on signing a professional deal with Glasgow City Football Club at the age of 16; recognises her previous achievements playing for Hamilton Accies and Rangers youth teams; commends her on being the youngest ever female

football player to sign a professional deal; praises her hard work, talent, and potential; and wishes her the very best in her continuing development and football career.

834 Auchmuty High School, Glenrothes, Eco Schools Status and Green Flag Award

Tabled: **3/02/23** Signatories: **2**

Peter Grant
Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates Auchmuty High School, Glenrothes on their success in achieving Eco-School status and the recent award of their Green Flag; recognises that pupils in the Eco-Schools Working Group have worked relentlessly over recent years including throughout the covid-19 pandemic to reach their Eco-Schools goal; notes that Eco-Schools is the largest sustainable schools programme in the world, with participation across 74 countries; acknowledges that Auchmuty High School is the latest school in the Glenrothes and Central Fife area to receive a Green Flag, joining Balcurvie Primary School, Collydean Primary School, Kennoway Primary School and St Paul's RC Primary School; commends the pupils of Auchmuty High School for their commitment to environmental sustainability; and encourages other schools to get involved in Eco-Schools and take advantage of the opportunity for pupils to engage in action to support the environment.