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## Early Day Motions tabled on Wednesday 10 May 2023

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### New EDMs

#### 1151 Clydebank FC 2005s, Scottish Cup Champions

Tabled: 10/05/23 Signatories: 1

**Martin Docherty-Hughes**

That this House congratulates the players and coaches of Clydebank FC 2005s on winning the InspireSport Scottish Youth FA Cup Final after defeating Hillwood FC 2005s 2-0; believes this is a fantastic achievement and is the culmination of a great deal of hard work and team work; and wishes the players and coaches well in their future endeavours.

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#### 1152 Food workers, prices and poverty

Tabled: 10/05/23 Signatories: 7

**Ian Mearns [R]**

**Ian Byrne**

**Olivia Blake**

**Beth Winter**

**Jeremy Corbyn**

**Chris Stephens**

**John McDonnell**

That this House is shocked by the findings of the Foodworkers on the Breadline report published by the Bakers, Food and Allied Workers Union based on a recent survey of members working in food manufacturing and retail; notes that, alarmingly, four in ten respondents reported having to skip meals for financial reasons, whilst one in five report using food banks themselves; believes that it is utterly unacceptable that, at a time when food prices have hit levels not seen in the UK for decades, workers are left unable to afford the products of their own labour; calls for trade unions to be invited to participate in the forthcoming UK Food Summit; urges immediate Government action to raise pay throughout food supply chains, outlaw exploitative zero hours contracts, whilst also

tackling the culture of rampant corporate profiteering, particularly by the big supermarkets; and supports the incorporation of a statutory Right to Food in UK legislation.

### 1153 S-Mart Social Supermarket

Tabled: 10/05/23 Signatories: 1

**Dave Doogan**

That this House commends the efforts of the S-Mart Social Supermarket in Forfar to tackle poverty and food waste in their community; notes that since opening in 2020, the enterprise has saved more than 300 tonnes of food going to landfill, the equivalent of 730,000 meals; recognises the wide range of support and services on offer, including space for local SMEs, employment training, work placements, money management support, sustainable clothing, a community café and an outdoor town garden; congratulates CEO Pauline Lockhart and her team for the immense social benefit they provide to their community; and wishes them well for the future.

### 1154 Uddingston Hockey Club

Tabled: 10/05/23 Signatories: 1

**Angela Crawley**

That this House congratulates Uddingston Hockey Club following their success in the 2022-23 Women's Scottish Plate; notes that Uddingston defeated Grange 2-1 in the final at the National Hockey Centre at Glasgow Green after defeating Perthshire, University of Strathclyde and Erskine Stewarts Melville to reach the final; acknowledges that Uddingston's victory was achieved with an average squad of age 18, which signals a bright future for the club; recognises that their success comes just two years after their promotion to the Premiership; commends Lucy Hogarth and Amber Wade for scoring the goals in the final; praises their teammates, coach Connor Evans and the coaching staff for their collective efforts and determination to succeed; and further congratulates Uddingston on being named EuroHockey Club of the Year for large clubs this season.

## 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.

### 1103 Scope Disability Price Tag research

Tabled: 26/04/23 Signatories: 37

**Marion Fellows**  
**Wendy Chamberlain**  
**Charlotte Nichols**  
**Caroline Lucas**  
**Dr Lisa Cameron**  
**Rachael Maskell**

Richard Foord

That this House acknowledges disabled people face higher costs than non-disabled people, with Scope's new Disability Price Tag research showing the average disabled person household facing extra costs of £975 per month compared to non-disabled households; notes that this implies

disabled households need to find almost £12,000 more a year to achieve the same standard of living as non-disabled households; further notes concerns that disabled people are facing spiralling additional costs, which have been exacerbated by the cost of living crisis; and calls on the Government to work directly with disabled people and charities to tackle the inequality of extra costs.

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#### 1105 25th anniversary of the Scottish Junior Cup final

Tabled: 26/04/23 Signatories: 8

Kirsten Oswald  
Jim Shannon  
Hannah Bardell  
Alison Thewliss  
Allan Dorans  
Stewart Malcolm McDonald

Patrick Grady

That this House recognises the 25th anniversary of the Scottish Junior Cup final when Arthurlie Football Club defeated local rival Pollock 4-0 at Fir Park in Motherwell; notes that the anniversary will be marked with a testimonial match on 7 May 2023 at Dunterlie Park, with players from the cup-winning Arthurlie team playing a Clydebank select team; understands the testimonial match is dedicated to Stuart Allison who played for the victorious Arthurlie team 25 years ago; further notes that the Arthurlie team was led by Jimmy McQuade and that the goal scorers were Mark McLaughlin, Steven Convery, John Millar, and Steven Nugent; highlights Stuart's commitment to the sport having spent ten years playing for Arthurlie and a further eight years for Clydebank; further understands all funds raised at the testimonial match will be donated to the local group Voluntary Action East Renfrewshire; and wishes all the players and supporters attending the anniversary game a very enjoyable match.

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#### 1106 Rosewell Tennis Club, Park Venue of the Year

Tabled: 26/04/23 Signatories: 6

Owen Thompson  
Jim Shannon  
Alison Thewliss  
Allan Dorans  
Chris Stephens  
Patrick Grady

That this house congratulates Rosewell Tennis Club on being awarded 'Park Venue of the Year' award at the recent Tennis Scotland Awards; notes the club have worked tirelessly to renovate the courts and to raise funds to resurface courts and install floodlighting to create this fantastic facility over the last year; commends everyone involved at the club in not only securing this award but in all their efforts to get the club up and running; and wishes the club every success in their future ventures.

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**1107 Etape Loch Ness**Tabled: **26/04/23** Signatories: **6**

**Drew Hendry**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Alison Thewliss**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Chris Stephens**  
**Patrick Grady**

That this House recognises the Etape Loch Ness took place on Sunday April 23rd; notes that this event attracted thousands of participants and spectators to the Scottish Highlands; further notes the importance of the volunteers who selflessly dedicated their time to contribute to the smooth running of the event; recognises the hard work and dedication of all those who took part; and congratulates them for their efforts.

**1110 Worker Protection (Amendment of Equality Act 2010) Bill**Tabled: **27/04/23** Signatories: **30**

**Wera Hobhouse**  
**Wendy Chamberlain**  
**Jamie Stone**  
**Layla Moran**  
**John McDonnell**  
**Allan Dorans**

Jeremy Corbyn

Ed Davey

That this House supports reforms to sexual harassment laws to ensure that employers maintain safe and respectful workplaces for all women; continues to support the Worker Protection (Amendment of Equality Act 2010) Bill; and calls on the Government to ensure it continues to prioritise the Bill and give it the time it needs to pass through Parliament.

**1123 World Press Freedom Day**Tabled: **2/05/23** Signatories: **39**

**Grahame Morris**  
**Kim Johnson**  
**Claire Hanna**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Zarah Sultana**  
**Jeremy Corbyn**

Sir Peter Bottomley

Olivia Blake

That this House notes that 2023 represents the thirtieth anniversary of the proclamation of an international day of press freedom; recognises the importance of World Press Freedom Day on 3 May 2023; further notes that the day allows citizens to commemorate journalists who have lost their lives and reminds citizens of the importance of a free press for democracy and human rights; believes that journalists everywhere across the globe have a right to hold the powerful to account without fear of persecution; notes that a report from the International Federation of Journalists shockingly identified at least 68 killings of media professionals in work-related incidents in 2022, whilst over five hundred journalists languished in jails; commends the National Union of Journalists in the UK and Ireland for their tireless campaigning work to defend press freedom; and calls on

the Government to uphold press freedom at home and exert diplomatic influence overseas to end impunity for the killing and intimidation of journalists.

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#### 1127      **Extrajudicial executions in Iran**

Tabled: **3/05/23**      Signatories: **14**

**John McDonnell**  
**Chris Stephens**  
**Caroline Lucas**  
**Jon Trickett**  
**Apsana Begum**  
**Jonathan Edwards**

Sir Peter Bottomley

That this House wishes to express its deep concern at the extrajudicial executions of Mohamad Reza Mashhadi Farahani, Hossein Jazy, Hamid Saied Mozafari, Sayed Farhad Hoseini, Ali Basaki, Ezatolah Shahbazi, Nika Shakarami, Shirzad Ahmadinejad, Ebrahim Rigi, Masoumeh and Aida Rostami by the Iranian State; sends condolences to the family and friends of the victims; condemns the actions of the Iranian Regime in perpetrating these crimes; and urges the Government to call on the Islamic Republic of Iran to stop executing protestors and to stop violating women's and citizens' rights and freedoms.

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#### 1129      **Loch Lomond Brewery's Southern Summit, CAMRA's Champion Session Pale Ale of Scotland 2023**

Tabled: **9/05/23**      Signatories: **4**

**Martin Docherty-Hughes**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Chris Stephens**

This House notes that the family-run Loch Lomond Brewery's Southern Summit has been recognised as CAMRA's Champion Session Pale Ale of Scotland 2023; further notes that this builds on previous CAMRA recognition for the Brewery's Silkie Stout and Southern Summit's own 2016 SIBA Supreme Cask Champion of the UK; recognises the contribution Loch Lomond Brewery has made to the local community and economy since its foundation in the garage of Euan and Fiona Maceachern in 2011; commends the risks they took in moving to a purpose-built, state of the art 35hl brewery and cannery in 2019; recognises their resilience through a pandemic which proved so challenging for their industry; and raises a glass to their continued success as a valuable part of the economy of West Dunbartonshire and Scotland.

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**1130 Potential merits of a Sudanese Family Scheme visa**

Tabled: 9/05/23 Signatories: 6

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

That this House calls for the creation of a Sudanese Family Scheme visa for Sudanese people affected by the ongoing conflict in Sudan; notes civilians have become trapped in Khartoum without access to water, electricity, and access to food or medical care as the city is bombarded by rival factions; acknowledges the success of the Homes for Ukraine scheme as a viable means of helping people flee from war zones to join relatives and families in the UK; and calls on the UK Government to do its part to help the displaced families of Sudan and renew its efforts to help end the fighting.

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**1131 Community Groups Receiving Council Funding**

Tabled: 9/05/23 Signatories: 3

Margaret Ferrier  
Jim Shannon  
Chris Stephens

That this House congratulates the following South Lanarkshire Council Community Grant Scheme recipients in Hamilton and recognises the important work of each of these groups: the Eddlewood Bowling Club Ladies Section who continue to foster a positive and welcoming environment will use their £300 funding for a group trip, the St Andrew's Church, in Blantyre, which encourages positive personal development through the fellowship of the church and will also put their £300 funding towards a group outing, the Earnock Residents Association who are active participants in improving their local area and who have been awarded £250 for administration and publicity costs, and the Hillhouse Link Association who received £1000 for their efforts to create a warm and welcoming space; and commends the council's funding scheme which undoubtedly benefits the wider South Lanarkshire community.

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**1132 Majella's Coffee Shop, Kirkintilloch**

Tabled: 9/05/23 Signatories: 4

Amy Callaghan  
Allan Dorans  
Jim Shannon  
Chris Stephens

That this House congratulates Majella's Coffee Shop in Kirkintilloch for their outstanding commitment to their Modern Apprenticeship programme, first introduced in 2012 to encourage staff to develop their skills in bakery, food sales and customer service; congratulates Majella's on the progress staff have made to SCQF Level 6 in Food and Drink Operations; notes the benefits and opportunities the Modern Apprenticeship programme have made on the business and wider community; and further congratulates Majella's on their previous achievement in winning the Micro Business of the Year award at the Skills Development Scotland Awards showcasing the positive contribution Majella's have made to the local community in Kirkintilloch.

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**1133 Hereditary angioedema awareness day (No. 2)**

Tabled: 9/05/23 Signatories: 14

Deidre Brock  
 Martyn Day  
 Stewart Malcolm McDonald  
 Anne McLaughlin  
 Allan Dorans  
 Marion Fellows

Drew Hendry  
 Martin Docherty-Hughes  
 Kirsten Oswald

Jim Shannon  
 Chris Stephens  
 Joanna Cherry

Ian Blackford  
 Dr Philippa Whitford

That this House celebrates Hereditary Angioedema (HAE) day on Tuesday 16 May 2023; recognises that HAE has a significant impact on patient lives and can cause unpredictable potentially life-threatening attacks; commends the important work patient organisations, such as HAE UK, and leading immunology specialists have done to support and advocate for those living with HAE; applauds the ambition for patients to experience zero swelling episodes or attacks; welcomes the commitments of the Rare Disease Framework to improve health outcomes for rare disease populations; and urges policymakers to recognise the need to increase clinical awareness of rare diseases, prioritise quality of life in treatment guidelines, improve shared decision-making processes, and ensure better access to psychological support.

**1134 North Ayrshire Wild's Ice Hockey Club, Scottish U19 League Champions**

Tabled: 9/05/23 Signatories: 4

Patricia Gibson  
 Allan Dorans  
 Jim Shannon  
 Chris Stephens

That this House congratulates the under 19s team at North Ayrshire Wild's Ice Hockey Club, which is based at Auchenharvie Ice Rink in Stevenston on triumphing at the Scottish U19 League Champions at the recent 2022-23 final; applauds the impressive final score of 8-1 to North Ayrshire Wild against the Fife Falcons; understands that the club was rebranded as North Ayrshire Wild in 2022 with a focus on unifying the junior and senior teams and promoting junior development through the Learn to Play development programme; recognises the positive role played by the club in the local community by providing players with the opportunity to cultivate athletic skills as well as teambuilding skills, persistence and self-confidence; recognises the hard work and dedication of head coach, Domenico DeSimone, team captain, Luca DeSimone, and all the players, club committee, and volunteers; and wishes them all further success in future tournaments.

**1135 World Inflammatory Bowel Disease Day 2023**

Tabled: 9/05/23 Signatories: 6

Mr Virendra Sharma  
 Jonathan Edwards  
 Jim Shannon  
 Dr Philippa Whitford  
 Chris Stephens  
 Christine Jardine

That this House welcomes World Inflammatory Bowel Disease Day on 19 May; understands that there are over 500,000 people in the UK living with Inflammatory Bowel Disease, the two main

forms of which are Crohn's Disease and Ulcerative Colitis; appreciates the work of Crohn's & Colitis UK's Early Diagnosis campaign, which puts a focus on the importance of early diagnosis of Crohn's and Colitis; notes with concern that more than a quarter of people wait longer than one year for a diagnosis and that many people have to visit A&E departments for emergency treatment; further understands that delays in diagnosis can impact hugely on quality of life, disrupting education and work; regrets that patients who wait longest to be diagnosed with Crohn's or Colitis are two to four times more likely to have complex disease that requires surgery; understands that reducing delays to diagnosis will improve the quality of life of patients, while reducing the wider costs to the NHS; and urges the Government to invest in a public campaign to raise awareness of digestive and bowel disease to improve diagnosis over the next five years.

### 1136 Dundee FC Scottish Championship Winners 2022/2023

Tabled: 9/05/23 Signatories: 5

Chris Law  
Stewart Malcolm McDonald  
Allan Dorans  
Jim Shannon  
Chris Stephens

That this House congratulates Dundee Football Club on winning the Scottish Championship; notes that the club won the Championship on the last day of the season, beating second-place Queens Park 5-3 in a nail-biting finish to the league; further congratulates all at the club who contributed to this first-place finish, including the manager Gary Bowyer, the players and the back-room staff; recognises the highly-valued work that Dundee FC carries out in local communities across the city and the wider area in partnership with the Dundee FC Community Trust; and wishes all at the club all the best for the coming season and beyond.

### 1137 Opening of new bistro in Rutherglen

Tabled: 9/05/23 Signatories: 3

Margaret Ferrier  
Jim Shannon  
Chris Stephens

That this House congratulates the Cedarwood Bistro in Rutherglen on its successful opening; notes that the bistro has been quickly and warmly welcomed by the community; recognises that it has received glowing reviews and has secured second place on TripAdvisor for top eateries in the Rutherglen area; and wishes the bistro continued success.

### 1138 Cartvale pub and restaurant, Busby

Tabled: 9/05/23 Signatories: 5

Kirsten Oswald  
Stewart Malcolm McDonald  
Allan Dorans  
Jim Shannon  
Chris Stephens

That this House congratulates the Cartvale pub and restaurant in Busby, East Renfrewshire, on their great achievement being recognised as a county winner in the national pub and bar awards which were conducted by Pub and Bar magazine which aims to showcase the finest bars and pubs; notes that there were 94 county winners from across the UK and that the Cartvale, which is the



only establishment in East Renfrewshire to be named, could go on to be crowned as one of the 15 regional winners or the UK's best bar in area on June 28 at the grand final award ceremony in London; further notes the Cartvale underwent a significant transformation in recent years with investment totalling £385,000 and reopened under new ownership in September 2019; and wishes all the staff at the Cartvale continued success and the very best of luck ahead of the grand final award ceremony.

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### 1139 Allwyn Crawford and Promoting Inclusion Through Sport

Tabled: 9/05/23

Signatories: 5

Patricia Gibson  
Stewart Malcolm McDonald  
Allan Dorans  
Jim Shannon  
Chris Stephens

That this House celebrates local Ayrshire community not-for-profit company, Promoting Inclusion Through Sport, on securing the Connecting Communities Award at the recent annual Lawn Tennis Association and Tennis Scotland award ceremony; understands that the Connecting Communities Award recognises an individual, group or organisation that has provided innovative ways for people within the community to engage with tennis, with a strong emphasis on those underrepresented within the sport; recognises the positive role played by the charity in communities by increasing confidence and promoting good mental health and physical wellbeing in young people and adults with physical, learning and communication difficulties through tennis and social activities; commends the hard work and dedication of Allwyn in creating an inclusive environment inclusion by way of connecting individuals, communities, local authorities and the general public for the last twelve years; congratulates Allwyn and everyone involved in Promoting Inclusion Through Sport on this tremendously well-deserved achievement; is sad to hear that Allwyn is leaving North Ayrshire towards the end of May but is sure that she will continue to promote inclusion through sport to deliver fairer and healthier communities for all.

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### 1140 Perth businessman, John Bullough

Tabled: 9/05/23

Signatories: 5

Pete Wishart  
Stewart Malcolm McDonald  
Allan Dorans  
Jim Shannon  
Chris Stephens

That this House pays tribute to Perth businessman, John Bullough, who tragically passed away recently; acknowledges his position as a key figure in the Perth business community, including as chair of the Perth City Development Board; recognises his tremendous efforts in founding, running and developing the Scottish Charity Air Ambulance, a venture that has contributed to saving lives and providing access to emergency health care in Scotland, particularly in remote areas; notes his tireless work in helping to ensure that the Stone of Destiny is returned to Perth; and sends its sympathies to his family at this sad time.

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**1141 Wellbeing economy**

Tabled: 9/05/23 Signatories: 10

Caroline Lucas  
 Clive Lewis  
 Deidre Brock  
 Claire Hanna  
 Ben Lake  
 Ronnie Cowan

Dr Philippa Whitford  
 Chris Stephens

Patrick Grady

Allan Dorans

That this House welcomes the call made by President Michael D Higgins of Ireland on 28 April 2023 at a reception for the Think-Tank for Action on Social Change to look beyond the current obsession with economic growth and rebalance economy, ecology and ethics; notes that this call is well-aligned with the aims of the European Parliament's examination of the Beyond Growth agenda; further notes that such a call has far-reaching implications for the teaching and practice of economics in which the obsession with perpetual growth has left society blinkered to the ecological catastrophe we now face; agrees with President Higgins that an alternative paradigm of social economy within ecological responsibility is already within reach; further agrees that this new paradigm must now find its way onto the curriculum where economics is taught and into the board rooms and government ministries where economics is practised; and calls on the Government to match the ambition and leadership shown by the Irish President and the European Parliament by supporting the development of a post growth economics, conducting a review of the growth dependency of the economy and developing a comprehensive strategy to transition to a wellbeing economy.

**1142 Legal aid funding**

Tabled: 9/05/23 Signatories: 4

Rebecca Long Bailey  
 Jonathan Edwards  
 Mary Kelly Foy  
 Jim Shannon

This House notes that the Legal Aid Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012 came into force in April 2013, significantly limiting the scope and eligibility for legal aid; notes that the Westminster Commission on Legal Aid's Inquiry in 2021 found that the public values legal aid as part of the state-funded safety net; acknowledges that the 2021 Legal Aid Practitioners Group Census indicates that the majority of practitioners currently working in legal aid reported that they had faced financial barriers to entering the sector, that training opportunities for new entrants are limited, and that there were poor rates of financial remuneration and challenging working conditions; further notes that, for criminal legal aid, the Government has committed to fee increases of just 9 per cent in 2023, increasing to 11 per cent in 2024, constituting a real-terms cut, contrary to the recommendations from the Independent Review of Criminal Legal Aid (CLAIR) which recommended an immediate minimum 15 per cent increase, resulting in the Law Society issuing proceedings against the Ministry of Justice; calls on the Government to urgently implement the CLAIR recommendations for criminal legal aid reform, including the recommended pay increase; further notes that, for civil legal aid, the Westminster Commission recommended a range of immediate changes to relieve pressures in legal aid service provision and workforce recruitment and retention while a national review of civil legal aid is ongoing; and calls on the Government to implement those changes with urgency.

**1143 Housing legal aid**

Tabled: 9/05/23 Signatories: 5

**Rebecca Long Bailey**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Jon Trickett**  
**Mary Kelly Foy**  
**Jim Shannon**

That this House notes that the housing system is in crisis and that many consider local authority housing services to be at breaking point; further notes that, as a result, services that provide free housing legal advice are in overwhelming demand; also notes this is compounded by half of all law centres in England and Wales closing over the past decade due to central funding cuts and many law firms suspending provision of legal aid services, resulting in the national expansion of housing legal aid deserts estimated to affect 12.45 million people in England and Wales, according to research by LexisNexis; acknowledges that having access to legal advice is fundamental to upholding the rule of law and that legal aid is a critical safety net to protect people's rights, which, in the context of housing advice, facilitates people finding and keeping a home or upholding rights as tenants and owners; calls on the Government to restore the Local Housing Allowance rates to account for rent increases, to invest in social housing, and to bring forward the Renters Reform Bill; and further calls on the Government to implement the policies suggested by the Renters' Reform Coalition to ensure safe, secure and affordable homes for all including abolishing no fault evictions, provide emergency funding to local authority homelessness services, introduce rent controls and an evictions ban similar to Scotland, provide emergency funding to the legal aid system and advice services, and expand legal aid scope and eligibility to improve access to justice.

**1144 Rutherglen youth swimmers' records at Scottish National Age Group Championships**

Tabled: 9/05/23 Signatories: 3

**Margaret Ferrier**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Chris Stephens**

That this House congratulates Kaysey Dickson and Iris Ware, of Rutherglen Swimming Club, on their performances at the Scottish National Age Group Championships in Aberdeen; recognises that Kaysey won the gold for her 200m backcrawl and, in turn, became the first ever Scottish Female Double Age Group Champion for the club; notes that Iris also broke records for the club by becoming the first female to compete in a distance event on a national scale; commends these young women on their hard work and talent; and praises Rutherglen Swimming Club for its efforts in fostering young talent in the Rutherglen community.

**1145 50th anniversary of Guideposts Trust**

Tabled: 9/05/23 Signatories: 2

**Jim Shannon**  
**Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson**

That this House celebrates the 50th anniversary of the Guideposts Trust, which partakes in incredible work to support people with learning disabilities, complex mental health needs and dementia; notes that they have raised a fantastic £26,409 for their Camp Guideposts project, which aims to set up ball-tents for camping and numerous different activities; highlights the efforts their Guideposts CEN Coaching put into providing crucial support for those who are facing struggles; further highlights the strain that the cost of living has had on their fundraising, especially in terms

of premises bills as rates etc have sky rocketed; further notes their goals to tackle isolation, provide meaningful activity and support people along their journeys; thanks them dearly for their work in the charitable industry; and wishes them all the best for the next 50 years.

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**1146 Crusaders FC Manager Stephen Baxter, world's longest serving manager**

Tabled: **9/05/23** Signatories: **2**

**Jim Shannon**  
**Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson**

That this House celebrates the ongoing success of Stephen Baxter, Crusaders FC Manager of 18 years, who has almost 900 matches under his belt and is the world's longest serving football manager; notes that he was appointed manager in 2005, following a spectacular football career that includes playing for Linfield, Glenavon and the Crues, where he helped them win two Irish League titles; further notes as manager that he added three more Danske Bank Premiership crowns to his football successes; wishes him all the best for the rest of his managing career; and assures him that his contributions to Northern Ireland football will not be forgotten.

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**1147 Illegal Migration Bill**

Tabled: **9/05/23** Signatories: **7**

**Stuart C McDonald**  
**Stewart Malcolm McDonald**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Dr Philippa Whitford**  
**Patrick Grady**

Chris Stephens

That this House believes the proposals in the Illegal Migration Bill contravene international law, including the Refugee Convention, the European Convention on Human Rights, the European Convention on Action Against Trafficking and the Convention on the Rights of the Child; considers that the Bill will effectively close the UK's asylum system and undermine the ability of trafficking victims to access protection; regrets the rushed timetable for the Bill's passage through the House, including the lack of a bill committee, and the short committee stage; regrets the failure of the Government to allow proper scrutiny of its policies, including by failing to publish its impact assessment; notes that there was no mention of any proposals resembling those found in the Bill in the general election manifesto of any party represented in the House; and in light of the grave consequences of the Bill and the failure of scrutiny by this House, calls on Members of the House of Lords to vote against the Bill.

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**1148 Europe Day 2023**

Tabled: 9/05/23 Signatories: 6

Hywel Williams  
Liz Saville Roberts  
Ben Lake  
Jonathan Edwards  
Dr Philippa Whitford  
Chris Stephens

That this House celebrates Europe Day, the anniversary of the historic declaration by French Foreign Minister Robert Schuman on 9 May 1950, which established the European Coal and Steel Community and ultimately led to the creation of the European Union; notes that the declaration set out a new form of political cooperation in Europe; further notes with concern recent figures by the Office for Budget Responsibility showing that total goods trade with the EU is down by 15 per cent on the level before the transition period ended; joins with our European neighbours in celebrating peace and unity on the continent; and calls on the Government to seek to negotiate the re-entry of the UK into the EU Single Market, in the spirit of political cooperation at the heart of the Schuman Declaration.

**1150 Workers' Educational Association 120th anniversary**

Tabled: 9/05/23 Signatories: 13

Kim Johnson  
Jonathan Edwards  
Jon Trickett  
Mary Kelly Foy  
Sir Peter Bottomley  
Mick Whitley

Wayne David  
Allan Dorans  
Margaret Greenwood [R]

Valerie Vaz  
Chris Stephens

Kenny MacAskill  
Emma Hardy

That this House congratulates the WEA on its 120th anniversary; recognises that the organisation was founded in 1903 as the Workers' Educational Association; highlights that it provides community adult education and has supported hundreds of thousands of adult learners in England and Scotland; praises the WEA for bringing adult learning within reach for people of all backgrounds, with 42 per cent of WEA learners living in disadvantaged postcode areas; acknowledges that WEA courses support adult learners to gain qualifications and to progress into employment; further acknowledges that WEA learners also report improved mental health, better connections to their local communities and improved confidence to deal with life's challenges; notes that, in 2023, the WEA stays true to its founders' commitment to challenging educational inequality; and looks forward to WEA learners enjoying courses for many more years to come.