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## Early Day Motions tabled on Tuesday 6 June 2023

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### New EDMs

#### 1264 Conduct of the Hon. Member for Belfast North

Tabled: 6/06/23 Signatories: 1

Mr Gregory Campbell

That this House censures the hon. Member for Belfast North for being announced as the guest speaker at an event on Sunday 11 June in South Armagh for deceased members of the IRA; and considers that his attendance at this event is all the more reprehensible because it is the day before the 50th anniversary of the bombing in Coleraine where six innocent people were murdered.

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#### 1265 Sinn Fein and commemorative events in June 2023

Tabled: 6/06/23 Signatories: 1

Mr Gregory Campbell

That this House notes 11 and 12 June 2023 as exceptionally important dates in Northern Ireland's legacy calendar, given that within that 24 hour period two events are scheduled to take place regarding people who died during Northern Ireland's troubled past; further notes that a 50th anniversary commemorative event is due to be held in Coleraine for the six innocent people who were murdered in the town as a result of bombs detonated by the IRA on that date in 1973, and one of those convicted for his part in the bombings is an elected Sinn Fein Councillor; and stands with innocent victims as opposed to victim makers.

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**1266 Extrajudicial executions in Iran (No. 3)**Tabled: **6/06/23** Signatories: **1****John McDonnell**

That this House expresses deep concern at the extrajudicial executions of Ramin Fatehi, Ramin Karami, Mohamad Abdolahi, Omid Hoseini, Farid Koravand, Mansour Ghorbani, Mohamad Javad Asadzadeh, Himan Aman, Yazdan Aghajani, Hamed Salahshor, Reza Dehboyed, Hamid Reza Nokhbeh Zaiem, and Shahriar Aadel, 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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**1267 Anniversary of Tiananmen Square**Tabled: **6/06/23** Signatories: **1****Jim Shannon**

That this House notes that 4 June 2023 marks the 34th anniversary of the Tiananmen Square massacre; remembers those who died at the hands of the Chinese Communist Party as well as those who continue to face oppression by that Party; recognises the bravery and courage of those who protested in Tiananmen Square on this date in 1989; expresses concern that Hong Kong was the final place in China that commemorated the massacre in a yearly vigil until it was banned in 2020; and urges the Government to hold China to account for its continued blatant disregard for basic human rights and democratic principles which protesters stood for in the Tiananmen Square protests.

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**1268 Parliamentary Taxi and Private Hire Awards 2023**Tabled: **6/06/23** Signatories: **1****Jim Shannon**

That this House commends all drivers from across the UK nominated in the 2023 Parliamentary Taxi and Private Hire Awards taking place on Tuesday 7 June, sponsored by the hon. Member for Cambridge, who established them in 2019 and have been supported then and since by FREENOW, the mobility app; considers that the 37 individuals receiving this accolade play a vital role in and make huge contributions towards the life of the local communities they serve, frequently going above and beyond what we might reasonably expect of them for their customers as well as helping others both nationally and internationally through voluntary work, fundraising activities and other charitable doings; finds the stories that the nominations contain in both this and previous years humbling, including as they do, for example, the lives of passengers being saved due to the knowledge of their drivers of cardiopulmonary resuscitation; notes the important role these professional drivers play in assisting those with disabilities or other accessibility challenges, whether through age or infirmity, thereby rendering their lives just a little easier; and finally applauds all Members of both Houses who took the time to propose a driver.

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**1269 Deep sea mining**

Tabled: 6/06/23 Signatories: 3

**Ben Lake**  
**Liz Saville Roberts**  
**Hywel Williams**

That this House is concerned about the potential environmental impact of deep sea mining; notes that the process involves retrieving mineral deposits from the deep seabed, despite research suggesting that it could destroy habitats and wipe out species; further notes that 700 science and policy experts from 44 countries have signed a statement calling for a pause to deep sea mining due to concerns over the irreversible loss of biodiversity and damage to ecosystems; joins the WWF in calling for a moratorium on deep sea mining activities until the environmental, social and economic risks are comprehensively understood; and calls on the UK Government to join the governments of France, Spain, Germany, and New Zealand in calling for either a ban or a moratorium to prevent this destructive industry from blighting our oceans.

**1270 Measures to enable immunocompromised and immunosuppressed patients to live with covid-19**

Tabled: 6/06/23 Signatories: 1

**Daisy Cooper**

That this House regrets the continued failure of Government to protect people who have moderate to severe immune compromise from covid-19 infection, by failing to make Evusheld available on the NHS when it was at its most effective against covid strains; notes with alarm the disbandment of the Enhanced Protection Programme, Covid-19 Antivirals and Therapeutics Taskforce, ONS Covid-19 Infection Survey and the closure of Covid Medicine Delivery Units since 31 March 2023; deeply regrets that patients have had to cancel routine medical appointments and surgery in fear of potentially lethal covid infection; further regrets that many patients are entering a fourth year of shielding or social distancing, losing out on employment and opportunities; applauds the campaigning efforts of Evusheld for the UK and Forgotten Lives UK, and the many patient groups calling for action; further notes with alarm that the spring booster vaccination programme has not been adequately promoted; also notes with alarm new NHS advice that, from 27 June 2023, immunocompromised patients will no longer be automatically contacted by the NHS about treatments after reporting a positive covid result; notes the engagement of the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence with patient advocacy groups to accelerate access to effective drugs and treatments; and calls on the Government to urgently establish a vulnerable patients task force to accelerate access to effective drugs and treatments for immunocompromised patients and to develop a strategy to enable people who have moderate to severe immune compromise from covid-19 infection, to live with covid.

**1271 Clothing poverty awareness**

Tabled: 6/06/23 Signatories: 2

**Apsana Begum**  
**Jeremy Corbyn**

That this House notes with concern that rising numbers of people are unable to afford adequate clothing in the United Kingdom, that the demand for clothing banks has increased dramatically, that even despite the best efforts of clothing banks clothing deprivation is an hidden aspect of poverty in the United Kingdom; further notes that whilst other deprivations, notably food deprivations, are highly publicised and visible in the United Kingdom's public consciousness the same is not true of clothing deprivation; acknowledges that the through its voluntarily ratification

of a range of treaties the United Kingdom has recognised, and assumed obligations in international law to work towards the realisation of, the right to adequate clothing; recognises right to adequate clothing; calls on the Government to acknowledge the growing issue of clothing deprivation; and further calls on the Government to publish a clothing strategy to ensure that nobody is excluded from accessing adequate clothing.

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## 1272 Celtic Football Club Scottish Cup wins

Tabled: 6/06/23 Signatories: 1

### David Linden

That this House congratulates Celtic Football Club's men's and women's teams for each winning their respective Scottish Cup Finals; commends manager Ange Postecoglou and head coach Fran Alonso, as well as team captains Callum McGregor and Kelly Clark for their leadership of both teams; notes that the men's team win sets a new world record of winning eight domestic Trebles; further notes that the women's team win places Clark as the most decorated women's captain in the club's history; further highlights that the club recently set an attendance record for a domestic women's match in Scotland at Celtic Park; wishes both teams every success next season; and congratulates them once again on their recent victories.

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## 1273 Tom McKibbin and Porsche European Open

Tabled: 6/06/23 Signatories: 1

### Jim Shannon

That this House notes and celebrates the successes of Tom McKibbin, from Holywood Northern Ireland, aged 20, who has won the Porsche European Open in Germany on his maiden tour; congratulates the young man on holding his nerve to see off more experienced competition during the six way tie for the lead; and wishes him every success as he highlights the sporting ability of young Northern Irish athletes.

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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.

## 1180 150th anniversary of the death of David Livingstone

Tabled: 17/05/23 Signatories: 21

Chris Law  
 Alison Thewliss  
 Chris Stephens  
 Liz Saville Roberts  
 Ben Lake  
 Hywel Williams

Amy Callaghan

That this House marks the 150th anniversary of the death of David Livingstone, who remains one of the UK's most well-known historical figures; acknowledges Livingstone's remarkable life as the son of a mill-worker from Blantyre, who was initially self-taught and qualified as a medical doctor at

the University of Glasgow, before later leading mapping and exploration expeditions in Central and East Africa; recognises the stance he took against slavery and his continued remembrance in East Africa and particularly Malawi, where he spent much of his life; understands that, viewed through a modern lens, Livingstone's legacy like many of his era can be challenging, however believes this offers us an opportunity to review our role and understanding of the UK's connection with Africa through his life; notes that a major refurbishment has been completed at the The David Livingstone Birthplace Museum in Blantyre, a museum and centre for exploring historic and contemporary experiences of black history and colonisation; further notes that the David Livingstone Trust has begun exploring how Livingstone's life and legacy retains relevance in a society that has, over the last century, radically re-evaluated many of the areas that his life touched on, including but not limited to spirituality and faith, colonialism and slavery, and the UK's relationship with Africa; and commends the ambition of the David Livingstone Trust to use his legacy as the catalyst for the formation of a National Centre for the Study of the UK's Colonial Legacy at Blantyre.

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## 1182 International Day of Solidarity with Political Prisoners in Belarus

Tabled: 17/05/23 Signatories: 17

**Tony Lloyd**  
**Chris Stephens**  
**Chris Law**  
**Liz Saville Roberts**  
**Ben Lake**  
**Hywel Williams**

Jeremy Corbyn

That this House notes the International Day of Solidarity with Political Prisoners in Belarus on 21 May designated by the Viasna Human Rights Centre and further promoted by the Office of the National Leader of Belarus Sviatlana Tsikhanouskaya; highlights that 21 May was chosen in memory of Vitold Ashurak, a political activist who died in a penal colony in Belarus on 21 May 2021; is aware that Viasna has now recognised nearly 1500 people as political prisoners in Belarus and has documented a daily average of 17 detentions; highlights the case of the founder of Viasna, Nobel Peace Prize winner Ales Bialiatski, himself now a political prisoner sentenced to a 10 year term; further highlights the case of journalist Raman Pratasevich, detained in 2021 after his flight from Athens to Vilnius was forced to land by the Belarusian authorities and sentenced to 8 years in prison; condemns the death in a penal colony on 7 May of Mikalai Klimovich, jailed for posting an online caricature of dictator Aliaksandr Lukashenka; expresses concern about the welfare of former presidential contender Viktor Babaryka, hospitalised in April after reportedly being beaten in prison; highlights several politically-motivated trials that are still ongoing, including that of Yana Pinchuk, whose trial began on 10 April and about which there has been no information since; and calls on the Lukashenka regime to release all political prisoners, respect human rights, and enable a transition to democracy.

**1206 Volunteers' Week 2023**Tabled: **23/05/23** Signatories: **33**

**Martin Docherty-Hughes**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Stewart Malcolm McDonald**  
**Wendy Chamberlain**  
**Drew Hendry**  
**Gavin Newlands**

Jeremy Corbyn

That this House commends the hard work and dedication shown by volunteers across the country; recognises Volunteers' Week, which runs from 1 to 7 June, as an opportunity to celebrate the contribution of volunteers and inspire more people to try volunteering; notes that the personal benefits of volunteering for individuals and communities are wide ranging; further notes that 27 per cent of Scotland's adult population volunteered for a group or organisation in 2021, equating to over 1.2 million people; and thanks volunteers for their vital role in supporting people in need during the covid-19 pandemic and subsequent cost of living crisis.

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**1223 Asbestos-related lung cancer**Tabled: **25/05/23** Signatories: **15**

**Martin Docherty-Hughes**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Anne McLaughlin**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Chris Law**  
**Mary Kelly Foy**

Jeremy Corbyn

That this House is concerned that sufferers of asbestos-related lung cancer are denied full compensation if they are unable to trace all their former employers whose negligence contributed to the disease; recognises that the number of people affected is small, but the impact on their lives and the lives of their families can be devastating; is aware that section three of the Compensation Act 2006 allows sufferers of mesothelioma in these circumstances to receive full compensation; further recognises that mesothelioma and asbestos-related lung cancer are similar diseases which are often difficult to distinguish, even with expert medical evidence; believes that sufferers of asbestos-related lung cancer should have their right to full compensation protected by legislation; and urges the Government to introduce legislation similar to section three of the Compensation Act 2006 for sufferers of asbestos-related cancer.

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**1224 Carers Week 2023**Tabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **10**

**Ed Davey**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Richard Foord**  
**Wendy Chamberlain**  
**Wera Hobhouse**

Mr Alistair Carmichael  
 Apsana Begum

Christine Jardine

Jeremy Corbyn

That this House supports Carers Week 2023, taking place from 5 to 11 June; notes this year's theme of recognising and supporting carers in the community; emphasises that millions of unpaid carers provide care worth £445 million each day to their family, friends and neighbours who are disabled, ill or older and need support; highlights that unpaid carers have been under immense pressure over the past few years with the covid-19 pandemic and the cost of living crisis; and calls on the Government to ensure that carers get the practical and financial support they need to live a life beyond their caring responsibilities.

**1225 Finn's Place, Glasgow**Tabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **2**

**Stewart Malcolm McDonald**  
**Jim Shannon**

That this House congratulates Finn's Place on its 10th anniversary; notes the achievements of Finn's Place in providing opportunities for local residents to improve and enhance their wellbeing through a weekly programme of activities and occasional community events; recognises the legacy Finn the cat had in ensuring Finn's Place became a supportive environment in enabling everyone to grow, make friendships and tackle isolation and stress; thanks all staff, volunteers and trustees who have always been on hand to help and to ensure they support wellbeing through the values of kindness, equality, respect, wellbeing, community, and connections; and wishes Finn's Place continued success in the future.

**1226 Renfrew Football Club**Tabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **2**

**Gavin Newlands**  
**Jim Shannon**

That this House congratulates Renfrew Football Club on securing the West of Scotland Football League Second Division 2022-23 title, its promotion to the First Division and winning the Strathclyde Demolition Cup; notes that these are the club's first trophies since 2015-16; commends the club for their wide-ranging work across the community, with teams operating for adult men, women, under-20s men, and youth teams from 2014s up; acknowledges the eight years the club have spent at their ground at New Western Park following their move from the original Western Park, their home for over a century; and looks forward to their continued ascent up the Scottish football pyramid towards the SPFL.

**1227 Farmers and food prices**Tabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **4**

**Tim Farron**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Richard Foord**  
**Wendy Chamberlain**

That this House deeply regrets the rising cost of food for struggling families; notes that the Bank of England has warned that food prices will continue to rise; further regrets the current pressures that British farmers face, which risk their livelihoods; notes with concern that farmers are struggling with the transition from the old Basic Payment to the new Environment Land Management Scheme (ELMs); regrets the Government's failure to ensure that all farmers can access ELMs; further regrets that, with rising energy prices, the Government has reduced energy support for farms which are no longer classed as one of the Energy and Trade Intensive Industries; notes the widespread concerns that big food manufacturing conglomerates and supermarket chains could be raising food prices more than they have to; acknowledges that worker shortages are damaging to farms and food supply; and calls on the Government to raise the farming budget by £1 billion, reinstate energy bill support for businesses, class farms as energy intensive, fix workforce shortages for farmers, fishers and food processing, strengthen the grocery market watchdog, and launch a market investigation to ensure food prices are fair for farmers and consumers.

**1228 Heritage sites and barriers to energy efficiency**Tabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **2**

**Jamie Stone**  
**Jim Shannon**

That this House recognises the urgency of the current climate emergency; notes that listed buildings face practical planning barriers when installing energy efficiency measures; acknowledges that heritage sites, as tourist attractions, make many positive contributions to their communities; further acknowledges that historic houses are sources of education and job creation within and beyond their surrounding areas; considers the custodians of these estates to be sustainable partners that work to preserve culture for future generations; further notes that, given the right support, they could do more to raise awareness of the leading role heritage can play in environmental conservation; and calls on the Government to support heritage sites by publishing a review of planning and regulatory reforms.

**1229 Support for scrappage schemes to tackle air pollution**Tabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **3**

**Barry Gardiner**  
**Dawn Butler**  
**Jim Shannon**

That this House welcomes the support that the government has given to combat air pollution by its allocation of £230million to clean air zones and scrappage schemes in Birmingham, Bristol, Bradford and Manchester; recognises the public health benefits of scrappage schemes in taking the most polluting vehicles off the roads; commends the Mayor of London for allocating £110million to a scrappage scheme for the expansion of the ULEZ in Greater London; notes with concern that to date, the government has refused to allocate any similar funding to London; and therefore urges the Secretary of State for Transport to remedy this discrimination against the people of London and

to allocate funding to Transport for London for their scrappage scheme that is commensurate with London's vehicle numbers and population.

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**1230 Contribution of Liam McVey and Mark O'Donnell to St.Fillan's Primary School**

Tabled: 5/06/23 Signatories: 2

**Stewart Malcolm McDonald  
Jim Shannon**

That this House congratulates Liam McVey and Mark O'Donnell for their 18 years of volunteering at St. Fillan's Primary School in Cathcart, Glasgow; notes that both men have been a vital part of the St. Fillan's family and have now decided to step down from their volunteering roles; recognises they have devoted thousands of hours to grassroots football and worked with pupils to help them achieve twelve league championships and eleven cup competitions; further notes their efforts in championing girls' football with an ever-increasing number of girls now taking part in training sessions; commends both men for organising an annual awards ceremony, at their own expense, where every pupil is given recognition for their contribution over the season; thanks Liam and Mark for their kindness, integrity, tireless work, unstinting commitment and for the difference they have made to hundreds of school pupils; and wishes both men the very best with their newly found free time.

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**1231 Reducing methane emissions**

Tabled: 5/06/23 Signatories: 3

**Wera Hobhouse  
Jim Shannon  
Richard Foord**

That this House acknowledges with concern that methane emissions are responsible for about half of net global warming to date; recognises that it is not possible to limit global warming to 1.5°C or 2°C without drastically reducing anthropogenic methane emissions; notes that the Norwegian government banned non-emergency flaring in 1972; further notes the proven health and air pollution risks caused by methane emissions; supports the need to prohibit the practice of flaring and venting by oil and gas installations; further supports requiring monthly leak detection and repair inspections to reduce fugitive methane emissions together with a measurement, reporting and verification process to quantify methane emissions; and calls on the Government to support relevant amendments to the Energy Bill to help ensure the UK fulfils the commitments it made under the Global Methane Pledge.

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**1232 University of Durham win on University Challenge**

Tabled: 5/06/23 Signatories: 3

**Mary Kelly Foy  
Jim Shannon  
Jon Trickett**

That this House congratulates the team from Durham University on their victory on University Challenge this year; notes that this is the third time a team from Durham University has won the show; recognises the hard work of the team; and wishes them well for the future.

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**1233 Honouring Laura Nuttall**

Tabled: 5/06/23 Signatories: 8

Siobhain McDonagh  
 Mrs Sharon Hodgson  
 Patrick Grady  
 Paul Blomfield  
 Jim Shannon  
 Paul Girvan

Daisy Cooper

Marsha De Cordova

That this House recognises the life of Laura Nuttall; commends her positivity and hope she showed since her diagnosis with a glioblastoma in 2018; acknowledges that more needs to be done to raise awareness of the unmet need for brain tumours and accelerate the development of new treatment options and increase the amount of research funding dedicated to that disease.

**1234 Gullane Tennis Club fundraising for Maggie's Centres**

Tabled: 5/06/23 Signatories: 2

Kenny MacAskill  
 Jim Shannon

That this House commends the efforts of ten tennis players from Gullane Tennis Club who will cycle more than 70 kilometres and take part in six hours of cardio tennis at six different East Lothian tennis clubs to raise money for Maggie's Centres; understands that the members hope to raise more than £15,000 in memory of their dear friend Annette Fox who passed away in 2017 after being diagnosed with breast cancer; notes that the events will be held on 17 June 2023; and wishes everyone involved the best of luck with their fundraising efforts.

**1235 Jonathan Revell retirement as headteacher of Macmerry Primary School**

Tabled: 5/06/23 Signatories: 2

Kenny MacAskill  
 Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates Jonathan Revell, headteacher at Macmerry Primary School in East Lothian, on his retirement from the role; understands that Jonathan has been the headteacher at Macmerry Primary School for the last four years, having previously served as the headteacher at Prestonpans Primary School between 2016 and 2019; notes that Jonathan was working in education in Aberdeenshire when he took on the role at Prestonpans after responding to a video appeal by pupils to help find a new headteacher; acknowledges that Jonathan does not see his departure from Macmerry as retirement and will be pursuing another career, and wishes Jonathan the very best of luck for the future.

**1236 Ken Reid Plays and the See Sport Differently campaign**

Tabled: 5/06/23 Signatories: 2

Kenny MacAskill  
 Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates Ken Reid from North Berwick on playing a key role for See Sport Differently, a campaign to make sport more accessible to people who are blind or partially sighted; notes that the See Sport Differently campaign was launched by the Royal National Institute if

Blind People (RNIB) and British Blind Sport (BBS) to tackle the disparity of physical activity among blind and partially sighted people, and seeking to address the findings that over half of blind and partially sighted people are inactive and do less than 30 minutes of physical activity a week; understands that Ken, 63, began losing his sight at the age of twenty six due to a condition called retinitis pigmentosa, but has not let this prevent him from doing the activities that he loves and has found ways to adapt, such as cycling a tandem bike with a cycling buddy and swimming; commends Ken's contribution to the RNIB during his time as chair of the group between 2012 and 2015; and wishes Ken and everyone involved the very best of luck with the campaign and their futures.

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**1237 James Stout and Sports Chaplaincy UK**

Tabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **2**

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

That the House congratulates James Stout, chaplain at Dunbar United, on climbing Ben Nevis in aid of Sports Chaplaincy UK, an organisation that offers pastoral help to anyone who is involved in sport, whether playing or in a committee; commends the fundraising efforts of the group for climbing the highest peaks in Wales, England, Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland, raising more than £20,000, rising to nearly £22,000 thanks to Gift Aid; acknowledges that the fundraising coincided with Mental Health Awareness Month in May, with the message that it is ok to walk and talk, get outside, get fresh air and chat with someone with the purpose of improving mental health; and wishes James and the rest of the Sports Chaplaincy UK group the very best of luck with their futures.

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**1238 End Child Poverty Coalition All Kids Count campaign**

Tabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **9**

**Kim Johnson**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Colum Eastwood**  
**Jon Trickett**  
**Mary Kelly Foy**  
**Jonathan Edwards**

Wendy Chamberlain

Kate Osborne

Apsana Begum

That this House notes the publication of the End Child Poverty Coalition's local child poverty statistics; highlights that the statistics show that 29 per cent of 0 to 19 year-olds were living in poverty in the UK in 2021-22; commends the End Child Poverty Coalition for their campaign All Kids Count in drawing attention to this issue; and calls on the Department for Work and Pensions to end the two-child limit for benefit payments.

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**1239 Luton Town Football Club, winners of the EFL Championship Play-Off 2022-23**

Tabled: 5/06/23 Signatories: 6

**Rachel Hopkins**  
**Sarah Owen**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Jon Trickett**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Sir Mike Penning**

That this House congratulates Luton Town Football Club on winning the English Football League Championship Play-Off Final and being promoted to the Premier League; celebrates the contribution and success of the players, manager Rob Edwards, club staff and club's officials, including the Chairman, David Wilkinson, and Chief Executive, Gary Sweet; recognises the meteoric rise of the club from the National League to the Premier League in only nine years; applauds the loyal Hatters fans who follow the team across the country and celebrated promotion in Luton's St George's Square; gives particular acknowledgement to midfielder Pelly-Ruddock Mpanzu, as he became the first player to go from National League to the Premier League with the same football club; recognises the importance of promotion to the building of the new Power Court Stadium and the future of success of the club and town; and looks forward to Luton welcoming Premier League football clubs to the historic Kenilworth Road after 31 years outside top flight football.

**1240 Drumsagard Football Club 2007s wins Lanarkshire League Cup**

Tabled: 5/06/23 Signatories: 2

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

That this House congratulates Drumsagard Football Club 2007s, from Cambuslang, on winning the Lanarkshire League cup; notes that this is the second consecutive year in which the club has won the cup; commends the team and coaches for their hard work; congratulates Jude Cummins and Jacob Jukes on scoring the two goals that helped their team to victory; recognises that the team were also runners-up for the league title; and wishes them the best in their future sporting endeavours.

**1241 Blantyre Foodbank and Scottish SPCA Pet Aid service**

Tabled: 5/06/23 Signatories: 2

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

That this House commends Blantyre Foodbank on joining the Scottish SPCA's Pet Aid scheme; notes that through this scheme the foodbank will provide essential food and care supplies to pet owners struggling with the cost-of-living crisis; further notes that this will allow people to better take care of their beloved pets; recognises that without this support many owners would have to give their pets up which has detrimental effects on their mental health and happiness; and thanks the Scottish SPCA for their efforts in rolling out the Pet Aid scheme and the important work that this facilitates.

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**1242 Calderwood Primary School summer fair**Tabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **2****Margaret Ferrier**  
**Jim Shannon**

That this House congratulates the parents, teachers, and pupils of Calderwood Primary School, in Rutherglen, on their triumphant summer fair; notes that the school was able to raise a massive £6,163 and that this will be used to fund school activities and equipment; thanks local businesses and community groups such as Grow 73, Burnside in Bloom, Rutherglen Amateur Swimming, Cambuslang Rugby Club and The Performance Academy for their participation in the event; and commends the hard work, effort, and teamwork of everyone who played a role in making the summer fair a wonderful occasion and fundraising success.

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**1243 Seventh anniversary of Complexions Beauty Salon**Tabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **2****Margaret Ferrier**  
**Jim Shannon**

That this House congratulates Complexions Beauty Salon in Blantyre on celebrating their seventh anniversary on 30 May 2023; recognises the hard work, commitment and passion of the owners Emma and Lynn; notes that the business provides beauty treatments, a welcoming environment and stylish interior; and wishes the staff the very best in all of their future endeavours.

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**1244 Rain or Shine South Lanarkshire**Tabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **2****Margaret Ferrier**  
**Jim Shannon**

That this House commends the work of Rain or Shine South Lanarkshire; notes that the social enterprise provides new and pre-loved children's clothes, toys, books, maternity and nursery items to those in need; recognises the hard work of its owner, Paula, and her team in their efforts to support local families; notes that the organisation is an integral part of the Rutherglen community; and is inspired by the ethos that Rain or Shine embodies.

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**1245 Callum Tracey receives bravery award**Tabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **2****Margaret Ferrier**  
**Jim Shannon**

That this House commends Callum Tracey, from Blantyre, for his quick thinking and courage following his father, Kevin Hay, taking unwell; notes that five-year-old Callum was able to remain calm and alert emergency services to his father's condition; rejoices as Callum's father received support from emergency services and is recovering well; recognises that Police Scotland have rewarded Callum for his bravery; and wishes the best for this heroic little boy and the rest of his family.

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**1246 Stephanie Thornton marathon for charity**

Tabled: 5/06/23 Signatories: 2

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

That this House commends Stephanie Thornton, from Blantyre, for running a marathon for Macmillan Cancer Support; notes that she raised a massive £785 for the charity; recognises the importance of Stephanie's cause and the impact that cancer continues to have on so many families across the UK; commends Stephanie's generosity, tenacity, and spirit; and wishes her the best in any future fundraising efforts.

**1247 Blantyre Volunteer Group and funding for community transport**

Tabled: 5/06/23 Signatories: 2

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

That this House congratulates Blantyre Volunteer Group on being awarded £28,000 in funding; identifies that the group plays a key role in providing accessible transport and serving their community; notes that the group will use this money to provide transport to hospital patients, shoppers, children and community groups; commends Strathclyde Partnership for Transport's (SPT) donation to such a worthy cause; and looks forward to seeing the community benefit from both SPT's generosity and Blantyre Volunteer Group's hard work.

**1248 Ann Nisbet and the 2023 Royal Incorporation of Architects award**

Tabled: 5/06/23 Signatories: 2

**Stewart Malcolm McDonald**  
**Jim Shannon**

That this House congratulates Ann Nisbet on being named by the Royal Incorporation of Architects as a winner of their 2023 awards; commends the work of Ann and her studio on the design and creation of building within a ruin, which earned her this esteemed accolade; notes the dedication and skill required to retain the character of the original building and its relationship to the landscape in Cuddymoss, Ayrshire; and wishes Ann all the best for the future.

**1249 Targets for rooftop solar power**

Tabled: 5/06/23 Signatories: 3

**Barry Gardiner**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Jon Trickett**

That this House welcomes data released by the Countryside Charity showing that installing solar panels on new buildings and existing warehouse rooftops and other large constructions could provide at least 40-50 gigawatts of low carbon electricity, contributing more than half of the total national target of 70 gigawatts of solar energy by 2035; acknowledges the importance of solar power in achieving Net Zero targets; recognises that meeting national solar energy targets through ground-mounted schemes alone would require up to 1.4 per cent of the land in England; calls on the Government to develop a national rooftop solar target so that at least 40 gigawatts of the national target for 70 gigawatts of solar by 2035 is delivered through the lowest cost opportunities for rooftop solar installations; and urges the Government to amend planning regulations and the

Future Homes Standard so as to require local authorities to carry out audits of potential roof and other developed spaces that can be used for solar panel installations.

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**1250 Colin Wallace and the Love Kirkcaldy community Facebook group**

Tabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **2**

**Neale Hanvey**  
**Jim Shannon**

That this House commends Colin Wallace on his love letter to Kirkcaldy; congratulates him on his self-funded creation of Love Kirkcaldy, a popular community Facebook group that celebrates food, culture, creativity and community; further congratulates him on his advocacy for and partnership with local independent businesses, grass-roots initiatives and groups promoting the very best of the Langtoun, thereby fostering a positive discussion space for innovation and optimism across the Kirkcaldy community; and wishes him the very best of success in all his future endeavours.

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**1251 Mike Lowe, Simon Dugmore and Cupcake Coffee Box**

Tabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **2**

**Neale Hanvey**  
**Jim Shannon**

That this House commends and congratulates Simon Dugmore and Mike Lowe, who are retiring after eight years as owner-operators of Cupcake Coffee Box and applauds the couple's commitment to foster caring for 50 children over a 12-year period; recognises their business as a welcoming community hub in the heart of Kirkcaldy that offers sessions from fostering to book clubs, and Christmas Day opening, which provides a safe and festive space for socially-isolated people; further recognises their efforts during the covid-19 pandemic offering regular contact and friendship to isolated customers; wishes them the very best in their well-earned retirement and wishes their son, Brandon Lowe, well in continuing their community legacy.

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**1252 St Roch's Secondary School and the Institute of Engineering and Technology Faraday Challenge**

Tabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **6**

**Anne McLaughlin**  
**Mhairi Black**  
**Kirsten Oswald**  
**Ronnie Cowan**  
**Martin Docherty-Hughes**  
**Jim Shannon**

That this House congratulates the pupils from St Roch's Secondary School in Royston Glasgow for coming top in the Institute of Engineering and Technology (IET) Faraday Challenge regional heats at Glasgow Airport, where they competed as real-life engineers for the day, researching, designing and building solutions to actual aviation-based engineering problems; commends the pupils from Paisley Grammar School, Williamwood High School in Clarkston, St Columba's High School in Gourrock, Barrhead High School and Clydebank High School who also took part; and recognises the importance of engaging young people in scientific, technology, engineering and maths (STEM) subjects and inspiring future careers within the STEM sectors.

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**1253 Eritrea and the UN Human Rights Council**Tabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **4**

**Patrick Grady**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Jeremy Corbyn**

That this House notes the publication on 17 May 2023 of an open letter, signed by 35 non-governmental and civil society organisations, including Amnesty International, Human Rights Watch and Christian Solidarity Worldwide, addressed to Permanent Representatives of Member and Observer States of the United Nations Human Rights Council, in advance of the Council's 53rd session expected to take place between 19 June and 14 July 2023, which calls for the Council to develop and adopt a resolution that extends the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Eritrea for one year, and that spells out and condemns ongoing human rights violations committed by Eritrean authorities; further notes that the letter identifies such violations as including arbitrary arrests and detentions, including incommunicado detention of journalists and other dissenting voices, violations of the rights to a fair trial, access to justice and due process, enforced disappearances, involuntary conscription into the country's national service system, restrictions on the media and media workers, severe restrictions on civic space, including the rights to freedoms of opinion and expression, peaceful assembly, association, movement and non-discrimination, widespread impunity for past and ongoing human rights violations, and the Government of Eritrea's refusal to engage in a serious dialogue with the international community, including by cooperating with the Council, despite its election for a second term as a Council Member; and calls on the Government's delegation to the Council to support the development and adoption of any such resolution.

**1255 Support for the Anti-Stigma Network**Tabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **11**

**Grahame Morris**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Dan Carden**  
**Caroline Lucas**  
**Rachael Maskell**  
**Ian Mearns**

Chris Stephens  
 Jonathan Edwards

Jon Trickett  
 Apsana Begum

Mary Kelly Foy

That this House recognises that people harmed by drug and alcohol use should be treated fairly, justly and with dignity; further recognises that they are, however, frequently dehumanised, marginalised and discriminated against; acknowledges that negative preconceptions and stereotypes present a major obstacle to people accessing harm-reduction and recovery services; welcomes the recent launch of the Anti-Stigma Network, whose mission is to improve understanding of the stigma and discrimination experienced by many people harmed by drug and alcohol use; applauds the commitment of the NHS Addictions Provider Alliance and all individuals and organisations collaborating in this initiative; believes this represents a major step forward in fighting stigma and saving lives; and calls on the Government to support the efforts of the Anti-Stigma Network and all those challenging stigma, thereby helping to remove barriers to treatment and to reduce the record level of drug and alcohol deaths across the UK.

**1256 Odisha train collision**Tabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **10**

**Mr Virendra Sharma**  
**Navendu Mishra**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Mary Kelly Foy**  
**Kim Johnson**  
**Jonathan Edwards**

Chris Law  
 Begum

Jeremy Corbyn  
 Ben Lake

Apsana

That this House conveys condolences to the people of Odisha and the Republic of India following the tragedy of the railway collision in Odisha; pays tribute to the work of railway workers, the emergency services and all first responders in saving lives and securing the safety of those present; remembers the more than 280 people killed and nearly 1,000 injured; and further conveys sympathies to the families and loved ones of those in the accident.

**1257 Establishment of a Hull York Dental School**Tabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **3**

**Emma Hardy**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Mary Kelly Foy**

That this House acknowledges with concern the survey by the British Dental Association which shows the dental workforce has been reduced to a level not seen since 2012-13; notes an unmet need for dentistry was at a record high at one in four of the adult population in 2022; further notes the proportion of dentists now reporting an intention to reduce, or further reduce, the amount of NHS work they undertake in 2023 stands at 74 per cent; notes that the National Audit Office ranked the East Riding of Yorkshire as having the third lowest count of dentists per head of population in the country at 3.6 per 10,000 in its latest report; notes Hull has historically high levels of tooth decay in children; notes a direct correlation between increased rates of tooth extractions and the risk of mouth cancer and the Index of Multiple Deprivation in England, where the Hull Local Authority area ranks 10 of 326; concludes that there is an overwhelming need for more dentists in the region; declares that this need can be met by training more dentists locally; notes that the Universities of Hull and York are exploring the establishment of a joint Dental School to follow the success of the Hull York Medical School which opened in 2003 and now sees over 150 newly qualified doctors a year entering the profession; urges the Government to take all necessary steps to facilitate the creation of such a school as soon as practically possible.

**1258 Hospitals**Tabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **3**

**Owen Thompson**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Apsana Begum**

That this House utterly condemns the Government's attempts to classify existing refurbished hospitals as completely new hospitals; notes the Health Secretary's admission that not all of the so-called 40 new hospitals promised for England by 2030 will be brand new; further notes that refurbishments and new wings are also included in the figure; celebrates the continued dedicated service of the beloved NHS; also notes with concern the deleterious impact that this Government

decision has on democracy and trust in politicians; and calls on the Government to cease using such cynical tactics to mislead the public.

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## 1259 New Scots Leadership Programme

Tabled: 5/06/23 Signatories: 2

**Alison Thewliss**  
**Jim Shannon**

That this House congratulates the graduates of the New Scots Leadership Programme; notes that during the 12-day programme, organised by the Social Enterprise Academy and the Scottish Refugee Council, participants acquired an ILM-accredited Certificate in Leadership, which also offers the opportunity to progress directly to a BA in Business and Enterprise at third year level at Edinburgh Napier University; welcomes the support of the Glasgow Communities Fund and the Scottish Government for the programme; recognises the importance of projects such as the Leadership Programme in fostering the growth and development of refugee communities, especially in the context of continued attacks on the right to asylum; and thanks the organisers and participants and wishes them both the best in all future endeavours.

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## 1260 Tackling skills shortages

Tabled: 5/06/23 Signatories: 12

**Rebecca Long Bailey**  
**Grahame Morris**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Mary Kelly Foy**  
**Jon Trickett**  
**Jeremy Corbyn**

Zarah Sultana  
Nadia Whittome

Jonathan Edwards  
Kate Osborne

Charlotte Nichols  
Apsana Begum

That this House notes that there are significant skills shortages across the economy; further notes that the Open University and British Chambers of Commerce Business Barometer Report 2022 found that 72 per cent of responding private, public and third-sector organisations said that skills shortages are causing increased workload on other staff and that 78 per cent of respondents said that they reduced output, profitability, or growth; notes with alarm that adult education participation fell from 4.4 million in 2003-04 to 1.5 million in 2019-20; further notes that while recent spending on adult skills and apprenticeships has increased, total adult skills spending is still 22 per cent below 2009 funding levels; and therefore calls on the Government to support the calls from the Future Skills Coalition, Right2Learn, and other professional bodies to commit fair, accessible and effective additional spending on adult skills training, apprenticeships and degree apprenticeships, to develop a national strategy to support local, inclusive growth through our further and higher education systems, to commit to a statutory right to lifelong learning, to extend lifelong loan entitlement maintenance loans to distance learners, to support local research and development through additional funding to support small and medium-sized enterprises in feasibility and scoping studies, and to provide funding to employ industry liaisons to support staff at further and higher education institutions.

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**1261 Nationwide Building Society and payment to account holders**

Tabled: 5/06/23 Signatories: 4

**Mr Gregory Campbell**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Carla Lockhart**

That this House notes a Nationwide Building Society announcement that over three million people who have accounts by March 2023 are due to receive a £100 bonus in June; commends a Mutual Society for the move, albeit with certain conditions attached; further notes that it comes during a profitable year for the Society but a difficult one for many of the three million beneficiaries; and calls upon the general public to be aware of any scams that may be used to try and obtain account details or other personal information and to be aware that this bonus will be an automatic payment.