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New EDMs

1284 **Ninth International Yoga Day**

Tabled: **12/06/23** Signatories: **1**

Bob Blackman

That this House joins celebrations on 21 June for International Yoga Day, adopted by the UN in 2015, supported by 177 countries; recalls that, in the words of Indian Prime Minister Modi, at a time when the world seeks peace, yoga is an invaluable gift of India's ancient tradition, it embodies unity of mind and body, holistic approaches to health and well-being, a means to discover the sense of oneness with yourself, the world and nature; notes that medical research shows yoga's health benefits for a range of disorders; urges the application of yoga in prevention and well-being initiatives within the NHS along with other natural, prevention-oriented and cost-effective modalities from India's traditional sciences, such as ayurveda; is aware that there are 5.5 million people suffering from long covid and that the APPG has taken a lead to encourage a pluralistic approach to health through the NHS and seeks opportunities to bring parties together to research in yoga and ayurveda, of which an example is the current study at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine into ashwaganda in treating long covid; recommends that yoga is widely available throughout the education system, bringing balance and harmony to students and teachers; encourages industry to make yoga learning widely available and provide facilities to enhance the well-being and productivity of employees; and calls on the Government to introduce yoga chairs in medical schools so upcoming generations of doctors gain a thorough grounding in this time-tested knowledge for themselves and their patients.

1285 Menstrual Hygiene Day

Tabled: 12/06/23 Signatories: 1

Dr Philippa Whitford

That this House calls on the Government to acknowledge the global Menstrual Hygiene Day by recognising the reality of period poverty in the UK, which has been exacerbated by the cost-of-living crisis; notes that last year there was an 87 per cent surge in demand for free period products by women and people who menstruate; highlights that those on the lowest incomes currently have to choose between buying period products and buying food; celebrates the progressive policymaking in Scotland which is the first country in the world to address this problem and recognise that free access to and provision of period products for all is a right; and urges the Government to follow in these footsteps by rectifying these obvious and unacceptable inequalities, and to show real leadership in ensuring that free period products are as common a sight in public buildings as toilet rolls are today.

1286 Carlton Seamill bed and breakfast

Tabled: 12/06/23 Signatories: 1

Patricia Gibson

That this House congratulates the Carlton Seamill bed and breakfast (B&B) in Seamill, West Kilbride on winning the accolade of bed and breakfast of the year overall winner at the Scottish Hospitality Awards; notes that the Carlton Seamill B&B was a regional winner and finalist for this award in both 2017 and 2018; further notes that the Carlton Seamill B&B was named Scottish B&B of the year by the same organisation in 2017; recognises that the Scottish Hospitality Awards is the most prestigious event in the hospitality industry, acknowledging outstanding businesses and individuals and highlighting the best hospitality services, such as hotels and bed & breakfasts across Scotland; applauds the hard work of Avril Rennie, who runs the Carlton Seamill B&B; and admires the continued efforts of Ms Rennie, the house's current owner to her guests who nominated the Carlton Seamill B&B as this year's 'Bed and Breakfast of the Year' overall winner.

1287 Extrajudicial executions in Iran (No. 4)

Tabled: 12/06/23 Signatories: 1

John McDonnell

That this House expresses its deep concern at the extrajudicial executions of Mostafa Mobasher, Donya Farhadi, Behzad Amadpour Samani, Neda Bayat, Mohamad Haji Rasoulpour, Bahman Maroufi, Arash Seyedmansouri, Sepideh Ghalandari, Heidar Azidm gheih Bashi, Zohreh Shamasi, Mehdi Karami Ashtiani, Setayesh Sharifinia, Sina Alishahi, Majidreza Tosparvar, Asra Panahi, Zahra Jalilian, Ghazal Amiri, Bahar khorshidi and Syed Mohamad Hosseini 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.

1288 Sixth anniversary of the Grenfell Tower FireTabled: **12/06/23** Signatories: **9**

Dawn Butler
Bell Ribeiro-Addy
John McDonnell
Barry Gardiner
Catherine West
Ms Diane Abbott

Rushanara Ali

Clive Lewis

Dr Rupa Huq

That this House marks with sadness the sixth anniversary of the terrible Grenfell Fire disaster; calls for urgent action from the Government to ensure all buildings are made safe by remedying fire safety defects irrespective of building type, height, tenure or any other characteristics so a disaster like this can never happen again; furthermore wishes to express our solidarity with the Grenfell fire survivors and calls for the Government to finally resolve outstanding issues relating to their housing and wellbeing; welcomes a screening of the film Grenfell by Steve McQueen in Parliament; and calls on Members from across the House to show their support.

1289 Cystic Fibrosis Week 2023Tabled: **12/06/23** Signatories: **1****Jim Shannon**

That this House notes that this year's Cystic Fibrosis Week takes place from 12 to 18 June; recognises that cystic fibrosis is a progressive, life-limiting genetic condition affecting approximately 11,000 people in the UK; acknowledges that whilst research means the median age of death for someone with cystic fibrosis has increased from 31 in 2016 to 38 in 2021, this is still tragically young; highlights that cystic fibrosis not only affects physical and mental health, but impacts people's finances too, with the additional costs of living with cystic fibrosis totalling over £6,500 a year; believes it is shocking that Cystic Fibrosis Trust has found that within the last 12 months one in five had missed a hospital appointment due to the associated costs of the condition; and calls on the Government to implement vital measures to support to those with cystic fibrosis whilst celebrating the vital work of the Trust and incredible progress made in cystic fibrosis research.

1290 World Milk Day 2023Tabled: **12/06/23** Signatories: **1****Jim Shannon**

That this House notes World Milk Day 2023, that was celebrated globally on June 1st; recognises that the inception of World Milk Day in 2001 was an effort to recognise the importance of milk as a global food as well as to celebrate the dairy sector annually and outline the benefits of milk and dairy products around the world; highlights that the dairy sector supports the livelihoods of one billion people; notes the contributions of the dairy and milk industry to local economies in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland and its pivotal role for so many constituencies in the UK; and encourages farmers to partake in the World Milk Day social media campaigns and use the hashtag #enjoydairy.

1291 Coeliac diseaseTabled: **12/06/23** Signatories: **1****Jim Shannon**

That this House recognises that coeliac disease is a serious autoimmune disease affecting 1 in 100 people; expresses concern that almost two-thirds of people with the condition, equating to almost half a million people in the UK, remain undiagnosed, running the risk of long term complications including neurological conditions, osteoporosis and, in rare cases, small bowel lymphoma; notes that the average time from the onset of symptoms to diagnosis of 13 years is unacceptable and highlights that it is essential that efforts are made to improve awareness of the condition amongst healthcare professionals and the public; further notes that Coeliac UK's campaign entitled Coeliac Disease is Different for Everyone aims to draw attention to unexplained symptoms of the condition such as extreme fatigue, persistent mouth ulcers, neurological symptoms, anaemia, subfertility and recurrent miscarriage; encourages those experiencing these symptoms or the more commonly recognised such as sickness, diarrhoea, constipation, and stomach pain to visit www.isitcoeliacdisease.org.uk; and calls on the Government to take note of the APPG on coeliac disease's upcoming report into diagnosis and commit to improved training and support for healthcare professionals on the condition.

1292 Durham Miners' Gala 2023Tabled: **12/06/23** Signatories: **1****Mary Kelly Foy**

That this House celebrates the Durham Miners' Gala, also known as the Big Meeting, on Saturday 8 July 2023; believes that the Durham Miners' Gala is the greatest celebration of working-class solidarity in the world; recognises the contribution mineworkers have made to the working-class movement throughout history; recognises the contribution of mineworkers in defeating fascism in WWII; recognises the contribution of the National Union of Mineworkers to the labour movement, the Labour Party and trade-unionism; recognises the cultural, historical and political ties between County Durham and the mining industry; recognises the role of women in the coalfield areas; welcomes the news that the 2023 gala will be dedicated to striking workers, many of whom risked their lives for the public good throughout the coronavirus pandemic; and encourages everyone to become a Marra.

1293 Support for the International Commission of Human Rights Experts on EthiopiaTabled: **12/06/23** Signatories: **1****Dame Angela Eagle**

That this House notes that the International Commission of Human Rights Experts on Ethiopia (ICHREE) found that rape and crimes of sexual violence have been perpetrated on a staggering scale in the conflict in Ethiopia, with Ethiopian and Eritrean forces and their allies in the Amhara militia and Fano, targeting Tigrayan women and girls with particular violence and brutality and Tigrayan forces, also committing rape and sexual violence; further notes that there has been repeated pressure to curtail the funding and mandate of the ICHREE; expresses its full support for the work of the ICHREE; and calls on the Government to mark the UN Day on 19 June 2023 for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict by ensuring that the ICHREE is provided with the support and funding to complete its investigations and that its findings are followed through in judicial action against perpetrators and their enablers, with restitution for survivors and victims of the violence.

1294 Declaration on UN Day for Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict

Tabled: 12/06/23 Signatories: 1

Dame Angela Eagle

That this House notes the UN's strong opposition to conflict-related sexual violence set out in resolutions 1325, 1820, 1888, 1960, 2106, 2331 and 2467 and its designation of 19 June 2023 as the Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict; welcomes the UK's leadership role in the global campaign against such violence, including the November 2022 London ministerial conference at which 52 countries signed a protocol supporting accelerated action to prevent and prosecute such crimes and support survivors and victims; deplores that in conflicts in Ethiopia, Ukraine and elsewhere during the past year many thousands of women have suffered brutal conflict-related sexual violence and are still, like the hundreds of thousands more in the Rohingya, Uyghur, Yazidi and other communities, waiting for services and justice; and calls on the Government to press through the UN and its agencies for its excellent resolutions to be turned into reality, for international support and resources for tribunals and commissions investigating conflict-related sexual violence as war crimes, crimes against humanity or constitutive acts of genocide, for prompt prosecution of perpetrators, including those in the chain of command, for justice and support services for survivors, for the inclusion of women in peace negotiations and processes and for the burden of the campaign against sexual violence in conflict to be borne not by survivors and victims, but by perpetrators and those in positions of power.

1295 Graeme Souness cross-Channel swim for epidermolysis bullosa

Tabled: 12/06/23 Signatories: 1

Mr Gregory Campbell

That this House notes that former footballer and manager Graeme Souness, aged 70, is taking part with five other volunteers in swimming the English Channel in an effort to raise over £1million to create greater awareness of the condition known as recessive dystrophic epidermolysis bullosa (EB) which, in many cases, leaves the sufferer with extremely fragile skin and excruciating pain; and commends all those involved in trying to highlight this little known condition in an effort to help find a cure.

1296 HSBC and bank accounts in Hong Kong

Tabled: 12/06/23 Signatories: 1

Mr Gregory Campbell

That this House notes reports that HSBC Bank has closed accounts of one of the few opposition parties remaining in Hong Kong, the League of Social Democrats, limiting the pro-democracy group from legitimate fundraising; finds this reprehensible following the same bank's backing of the Beijing Government's draconian measures to oppose pro-democracy groups in Hong Kong; and calls on the Government to hold discussions with other democratically-elected governments to coordinate an international response to the bank's unacceptable actions.

1297 162nd anniversary of St Anthony's Roman Catholic Church, Govan

Tabled: 12/06/23 Signatories: 1

Chris Stephens

That this House congratulates St Anthony's Roman Catholic Church on its 162nd anniversary as a parish; notes the occasion was marked by a mass celebrated on Saturday 10 June 2023, presided by Archbishop Nolan; and wishes all at St Anthony's every success in the future, in the years to come.

1298 150th Anniversary of Govan Linthouse Parish Church

Tabled: 12/06/23 Signatories: 1

Chris Stephens

That this House celebrates the 150th Anniversary of Govan & Linthouse Parish Church and its unified congregation of Govan Old, New Govan and Linthouse; notes the church celebrations through a range of anniversary events marking this significant milestone; highlights the extensive community work the Church is involved in; recognises the work of their Minister David Gray in support of the congregation and non-members who come seeking support; and commends the parishioner's assistance in the everyday life of the Church; and welcomes the steps taken to ensure the longevity of Govan and Linthouse Parish Church's community and places of worship.

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.

1224 Carers Week 2023

Tabled: 5/06/23 Signatories: 21

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

Caroline Lucas

Sir George Howarth

Carol Monaghan

Chris Stephens

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, GlasgowTabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **5**

Stewart Malcolm McDonald
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Allan Dorans
Alison Thewliss

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 ClubTabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **5**

Gavin Newlands
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Allan Dorans
Alison Thewliss

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.

1228 Heritage sites and barriers to energy efficiencyTabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **14**

Jamie Stone
Jim Shannon
Richard Foord
Wera Hobhouse
Wendy Chamberlain
Mr Alistair Carmichael

Caroline Lucas

Chris Stephens

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.

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

Tabled: 5/06/23 Signatories: 5

Stewart Malcolm McDonald
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Allan Dorans
Alison Thewliss

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.

1231 Reducing methane emissions

Tabled: 5/06/23 Signatories: 13

Wera Hobhouse
Jim Shannon
Richard Foord
Wendy Chamberlain
Jamie Stone
Munira Wilson

Caroline Lucas

Ms Marie Rimmer

Ms Diane Abbott

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.

1233 Honouring Laura NuttallTabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **13**

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

Sir Julian Lewis

Chris Stephens

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.

1238 End Child Poverty Coalition All Kids Count campaignTabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **34**

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

Ms Marie Rimmer
 Alison Thewliss
 Alan Brown

Paul Blomfield
 Ian Byrne

Grahame Morris
 Chris Stephens

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.

1239 Luton Town Football Club, winners of the EFL Championship Play-Off 2022-23Tabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **9**

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

Alison Thewliss

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.

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

Tabled: 5/06/23 Signatories: 6

Stewart Malcolm McDonald
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Allan Dorans
Neale Hanvey
Alison Thewliss

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: 9

Barry Gardiner
Jim Shannon
Jon Trickett
Neale Hanvey
Kate Osborne
Claudia Webbe

Caroline Lucas

Chris Stephens

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.

1253 Eritrea and the UN Human Rights CouncilTabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **10**

Patrick Grady
Jim Shannon
Jonathan Edwards
Jeremy Corbyn
Chris Law
Allan Dorans

Caroline Lucas

Alison Thewliss

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 NetworkTabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **15**

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

Crispin Blunt [R]

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 collisionTabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **15**

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

Chris Stephens

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.

1258 HospitalsTabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **9**

Owen Thompson
Jonathan Edwards
Apsana Begum
Chris Law
Allan Dorans
Claudia Webbe

Alison Thewliss

Chris Stephens

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.

1260 Tackling skills shortagesTabled: **5/06/23** Signatories: **17**

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

Caroline Lucas

Chris Stephens

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.

1267 Anniversary of Tiananmen Square

Tabled: 6/06/23 Signatories: 6

Jim Shannon
Sir Mike Penning
Carla Lockhart
Gavin Robinson
John McDonnell
Caroline Lucas

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.

1269 Deep sea mining

Tabled: 6/06/23 Signatories: 9

Ben Lake
Liz Saville Roberts
Hywel Williams
Sir Mike Penning [R]
Jim Shannon
Jonathan Edwards

Caroline Lucas

Alison Thewliss

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: 7

Daisy Cooper
Jim Shannon
Mohammad Yasin
Sarah Olney
John McDonnell
Richard Foord

Caroline Lucas

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: 16

Apsana Begum
Jeremy Corbyn
Jim Shannon
Jonathan Edwards
Mary Kelly Foy
Jon Trickett

Caroline Lucas

Chris Stephens

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.

1272 Celtic Football Club Scottish Cup winsTabled: **6/06/23** Signatories: **8**

David Linden
Brendan O'Hara
Jim Shannon
Jonathan Edwards
Allan Dorans
Neale Hanvey

Chris Stephens

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.

1274 Lasswade High SchoolTabled: **7/06/23** Signatories: **4**

Owen Thompson
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans
Chris Stephens

That this House congratulates the talented football players of Lasswade High School, Midlothian, who became Scottish Shield champions this week; notes the team's 2-1 win against Grove Academy to lift the Senior Girls Shield; commends the coaches and support staff for their hard work; welcomes the continued growth of girls' and women's football; acknowledges the profound mental and physical health benefits of sport at all levels; and wishes the team continued success in the future.

1275 Pride Month 2023Tabled: **7/06/23** Signatories: **26**

Nadia Whittome
Dame Angela Eagle
Hannah Bardell
Christine Jardine
Layla Moran
Apsana Begum

Caroline Lucas

Dr Jamie Wallis

Jonathan Edwards

That this House celebrates Pride Month 2023 and the LGBTQ+ community; recognises that generations of LGBTQ+ people have had to fight for the rights they have today; regrets that this year's Pride Month is taking place in a climate of heightened hostility, particularly towards trans people; is deeply concerned that, in recent years, the UK has slipped from first to seventeenth place in ILGA-Europe's rankings of LGBTQ+ rights in Europe; notes that reported hate crimes against LGBTQ+ people have reached their highest rate in a decade; further notes that almost one in five LGBTQ+ people in the UK have experienced homelessness at some point in their lives; further notes that waiting times for transition-related healthcare exceed four years in some areas; calls

on the Government to condemn rising hatred towards LGBTQ+ people and the trans community in particular, strengthen LGBTQ+ rights and combat discrimination and inequality; and urges the Government to implement a trans-inclusive ban on conversion practices, de-medicalise the process of obtaining a gender recognition certificate and reduce waiting times for transition-related healthcare.

1276 Industrial dispute at Allied Bakeries in Liverpool

Tabled: 7/06/23 Signatories: 15

Ian Mearns
Ian Byrne
Kim Johnson
Mick Whitley
Dan Carden
John McDonnell

Jon Trickett

Chris Stephens

That this House expresses support and solidarity to members of the Bakers, Food and Allied Workers Union taking industrial action over pay at Allied Bakeries' Liverpool site; applauds the contribution made by these key workers throughout the period of the covid-19 pandemic; regrets that these workers have experienced a continued real-terms cut in their levels of pay with wages failing to meet the costs resulting from soaring inflation; draws attention to the findings of a recent Bakers, Food and Allied Workers Union survey, which found that 17.5 per cent of workers across the sector now have to use foodbanks, an increase of 10 per cent; is shocked that, once additional shift and overtime payments are subtracted from their consolidated rate, workers at Allied Bakeries' Liverpool site are paid as little as £8.08 per hour; further notes that, Allied Bakeries parent company, Associated British Foods, posted annual profits of £1.43 million; and therefore calls on the management of Allied Bakeries to make a significantly improved pay offer to their workers, and calls on the Government to initiate a comprehensive review into exploitation and profiteering across UK food supplies.

1277 Allan Glen Rugby Club's first all-girls match

Tabled: 7/06/23 Signatories: 6

Amy Callaghan
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans
Alison Thewliss
Anne McLaughlin
Chris Stephens

That this House celebrates Allan Glen Rugby Club's first all-girls rugby match; recognises the importance of sporting opportunities being open to all; and thanks Allan Glen Rugby Club for providing this opportunity for girls in Bishopbriggs to get involved with the sport at a competitive level.

1278 Human rights in PakistanTabled: **7/06/23** Signatories: **6**

Neale Hanvey
Jim Shannon
Kenny MacAskill
John McDonnell
Ms Marie Rimmer
Chris Stephens

That this House recognises reports of the deteriorating human rights situation in Pakistan; expresses its concern over the alleged widespread human rights abuses of peaceful protestors, activists and journalists; deplores the postponement of elections, which it believes, represents a serious violation of democracy; further notes that the arrest of opposition leader and former Prime Minister, Imran Khan, by the Pakistani military has led to condemnation both in Pakistan and further afield; and calls on the Government to ensure that continued support to Pakistan must depend on that regime respecting the fundamental human rights of its citizens and the reinstatement of democratic values.

1279 Withdrawal from the Energy Charter TreatyTabled: **7/06/23** Signatories: **13**

Wera Hobhouse
Wendy Chamberlain
Kenny MacAskill
Mick Whitley
Lloyd Russell-Moyle
John McDonnell

Caroline Lucas
 Stewart Hosie

Alan Brown
 Chris Stephens

Jonathan Edwards

That this House notes the growing number of European countries withdrawing from the Energy Charter Treaty including France, Germany, Spain and Italy; is deeply concerned about the increasing number of legal cases from fossil fuel companies brought against countries introducing climate policy; notes with concern the impact these legal challenges have on the cost and speed of energy transition; further notes that attempts to modernise the Energy Charter Treaty have failed; recognises the need for a new global framework to incentivise global investment in renewable energy sector to meet global targets to reduce emissions and reach Net Zero; and calls on the Government to withdraw from the Energy Charter Treaty and back a new framework replacement Renewables Treaty to drive innovation, cooperation and the greater adoption of renewable energy.

1280 Four Pillars charityTabled: **8/06/23** Signatories: **4**

Kirsty Blackman
Allan Dorans
Alison Thewliss
Chris Stephens

That this House congratulates Four Pillars for winning the Charity/Group Initiative Award and their CEO Deejay Bullock for being nominated for the Community Champion Award at the Proud Scotland Awards 2023; and understands this is a tremendous achievement which reflects the staff and volunteers' enthusiasm and continued commitment to supporting the LGBTQI+ community in manners of mental, emotional, physical and sexual health throughout Grampian.

1281 DanceBeatz 10th AnniversaryTabled: **8/06/23** Signatories: **2****Christine Jardine**
Alison Thewliss

That this House congratulates Edinburgh-based dance studio DanceBeatz on their recent tenth anniversary; commends their aim to bring Bollywood dancing to communities across Edinburgh with entertaining and engaging lessons; notes their wide range of classes for children and adults in a variety of classic and modern styles of dance; acknowledges the money raised for charities Neeyum Naanae and The Little Princess Trust at their recent tenth anniversary celebration; and wishes DanceBeatz continued success in the future.

1282 Eisteddfod Genedlaethol yr Urdd Llanymddyfri 2023, Urdd National Eisteddfod Llandoverly 2023Tabled: **8/06/23** Signatories: **3****Jonathan Edwards**
Mary Kelly Foy
Chris Stephens

This House notes the remarkable success of the Urdd National Eisteddfod hosted by the town of Llandoverly in Carmarthenshire; further notes that the Urdd Eisteddfod is the largest youth festival of its kind in Europe; congratulates the estimated 75,000 young people that took part in competitions across Wales during qualifying rounds; notes the achievements of the 15,000 young people who competed at the National in Llandoverly; congratulates the Urdd for issuing over 9,000 free visitor tickets for low-income families; welcomes the huge increase in viewer interest on S4C platforms including 77,000 viewing sessions of live streaming, 217,000 TV viewers, and over 1 million impressions on social media content; pays tribute to the people of Carmarthenshire for offering a county-wide welcome to the Eisteddfod; and thanks all Urdd staff, volunteers, visitors and competitors for helping to make this year's Eisteddfod a tremendous success.

1283 Park View Medical CentreTabled: **8/06/23** Signatories: **18****Ian Byrne**
Paula Barker
Sir George Howarth
Kim Johnson
Dan Carden
Maria Eagle

Jon Trickett

Chris Stephens

That this House notes with deep concern the proposed closure of the Park View Medical Centre; notes that the medical centre is located in Tuebrook in the constituency of Liverpool West Derby and also provides GP services to many constituents of Liverpool Wavertree; recognises that the medical centre has been at the centre of the community for decades and provides vital primary care services to constituents in one of the most deprived areas of Liverpool; notes with alarm that the Liverpool Integrated Care Board has written to all patients at the practice to inform them that it will be closing in July and that all patients will be transferred to GP practices within 1 mile radius of the building; places on record that local residents have voiced their strong opposition to the closure

of Park View Medical centre and are campaigning to save this vital service; notes that the Members for Liverpool West Derby and Liverpool Wavertree have written to Cheshire and Merseyside ICB to ask that they revisit the decision to close Park View Medical Centre with the upmost urgency and to request meaningful discussions to consider the urgent steps that can be taken to save the service and protect its long-term future; and calls on the Department of Health to support the wishes of the local community and to take all steps available to keep the Park View Medical Centre open to protect the health and wellbeing of the whole community and future generations.