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## Early Day Motions tabled on Tuesday 30 April 2024

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### New EDMs

#### 703 Northern Ireland Beef Week

Tabled: **30/04/24** Signatories: **1**

**Jim Shannon**

That this House celebrates Northern Ireland Beef Week, running from 23 to 30 April, which celebrates strengthening connections with local farmers and where beef comes from; notes that beef farming in Northern Ireland contributes over £603 million to the local economy this year and this week provides an opportunity to celebrate nutritious and climate friendly beef that supports our ecosystems rural economy; and highlights the invaluable work by local farmers and thanks them for their daily work that is being done to benefit everyone in society with homegrown beef.

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#### 704 10 years of Good Morning Britain

Tabled: **30/04/24** Signatories: **1**

**Jim Shannon**

That this House notes the 10th anniversary of ITV's Good Morning Britain, first airing on 28 April 2014; highlights the three hour long programme that brings viewers the latest updates on breaking news stories, covering the UK's most topical issues socially and politically; further notes that since its launch in 2014, the programme's share of viewing has grown 7%, from 15% in 2014 to 22% today, reaching an average of 5.4 million viewers a week; and thanks all producers and presenters who make the show what it is and wishes all on the show many more years of success.

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**705 Contribution of university research**Tabled: **30/04/24** Signatories: **1****Ben Lake**

That this House commends the outstanding contribution of university researchers throughout the United Kingdom; agrees with the view of Professor Mark Field of the University of Oxford that impact is the good the researchers have in the world; notes the work of researchers at the University of Aberystwyth into restoring peatlands to remove greenhouse gases and other work on supporting farmers to use agricultural waste to produce native duckweed to feed livestock; further notes the University of Wales Trinity Saint David initiative Wales and its Global Literary Culture in partnership with Cardiff and Bangor Universities; acknowledges the role of university professional staff and training specialists in supporting researchers to demonstrate impact and engagement as required by the UKRI Research Excellence Framework 2029; and calls on the Government to fully recognise the role that UK researchers can play in providing evidence for the development and evaluation of policy across all fields and to engage with them to ensure researches have the impact their work deserves throughout the world.

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**706 Arthurlie FC and the Scottish Junior Cup 2024**Tabled: **30/04/24** Signatories: **1****Kirsten Oswald**

That this House congratulates Arthurlie FC, based at Dunterlie Park, Barrhead, on advancing to the final of the Scottish Junior Cup after defeating Johnstone Burgh 4-3 on aggregate; understands the first and second legs of the semi-final took place on 14 and 20 April respectively; applauds the commitment of manager Colin Reilly and the whole squad; notes that the second leg of the semi-final took place at Keanie Park with a massive crowd of 2,393 people in attendance; highlights the historical significance of Arthurlie progressing to the Scottish Junior Cup Final, the first time they have done so since 1998 when they beat Pollok 4-0 to lift the trophy; further notes that the Scottish Junior Cup Final will be held on 2 June at Cumbernauld Broadwood Stadium with Arthurlie competing against Darvel; and wishes all the very best of luck to Arthurlie FC ahead of the Scottish Junior Cup Final.

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**707 Wheelchair rugby**Tabled: **30/04/24** Signatories: **1****Sarah Dyke**

That this House congratulates Josh Payne-Gover's success in wheelchair rugby; wishes him the best of luck in achieving a place in the Team GB squad for the Los Angeles Paralympics in 2028; notes the high financial cost of equipment necessary to participate in wheelchair rugby; praises Josh's successful campaign to raise money for a new elite level titanium rugby chair; notes the financial barriers disabled people face when competing in sport; expresses concern that 37% of disabled people cite the cost-of-living crisis as a hindrance to partaking in sport; encourages steps to ensure more disability sport is shown on free-to-air TV; and stresses the importance of providing councils with support to enhance community sporting facilities, including facilities for disabled people.

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**708 Price cap on baby milk formula**Tabled: **30/04/24** Signatories: **14**

Barry Gardiner  
 Cat Smith  
 Ian Byrne  
 Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck  
 Rosie Duffield  
 Dame Siobhain McDonagh

Richard Burgon  
 Ms Marie Rimmer  
 Caroline Lucas

Sam Tarry  
 Dr Rupa Huq  
 Bambos Charalambous

Nadia Whittome  
 Lloyd Russell-Moyle

This House recognises the impact that food price inflation has had on family budgets in recent years, with annual inflation of 19.1% to March 2023, which was the highest rate of food inflation in 45 years; notes with dismay that some retailers have taken to placing baby milk formula under security lock to avert the risk of shoplifting; considers that no parent should feel they have to resort to criminality in order to feed their baby; and therefore urges all supermarkets to urgently review the retail costs of baby formula and to cap it at no more than 1% of its production cost.

**709 Councillor Robert Aldridge**Tabled: **30/04/24** Signatories: **1**

Christine Jardine

That this House congratulates Councillor Robert Aldridge, the Right Honourable Lord Provost and Lord Lieutenant of the City of Edinburgh, on the 40th anniversary of his election to City of Edinburgh Council; notes that 3 May 2024 marks forty years of his continuous service as a representative of his community, most recently representing the Drum Brae/Gyle ward; and thanks him for his dedicated service to his constituents and to the city.

**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.

**539 Town and Country Planning**Tabled: **21/03/24** Signatories: **31**

Keir Starmer  
 Yvette Cooper  
 Stephen Kinnock  
 Dan Jarvis  
 Feryal Clark  
 Sir Alan Campbell

Dame Andrea Jenkyns

That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Town and Country Planning (Former RAF Scampton) (Accommodation for Asylum-Seekers etc.) Special Development Order 2024

(S.I., 2024, No. 412), dated 20 March 2024, a copy of which was laid before this House on 21 March 2024, be annulled.

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**640 RBS branch closures**

Tabled: **18/04/24** Signatories: **19**

**Deidre Brock**  
**Stewart Malcolm McDonald**  
**Angela Crawley**  
**Chris Law**  
**Ronnie Cowan**  
**Stuart C McDonald**

Anne McLaughlin

That this House recognises the importance of maintaining bank branch services; regrets the latest closures announced by the Natwest banking group, which operates Royal Bank of Scotland, and the decision to close 18 of its 86 RBS branches across Scotland, with three branches in Edinburgh set to close including Leith, disadvantaging small businesses and customers in one of the most densely populated parts of the city; further recognises the importance of maintaining counter services to a significant proportion of the community who do not use digital banking; and calls on the Government to take much greater action to protect access to cash and face to face banking services across the UK high streets.

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**648 Civil Service Pay**

Tabled: **22/04/24** Signatories: **32**

**Chris Stephens**  
**Grahame Morris**  
**John McDonnell**  
**Ian Mearns**  
**Bell Ribeiro-Addy**  
**Nadia Whittome**

Angela Crawley

That this House notes that civil service pay has been eroded over the past 40 years, which has seen wages fall from above the national average to below average; regrets that, despite this, the Government did not ring-fence funding for a pay rise for civil servants in the recent Budget; expresses solidarity with the almost 150,000 members of the Public and Commercial Services (PCS) union who are currently balloting for national industrial action in their ongoing dispute over pay, pensions and working conditions; and calls on the Government to get back around the negotiating table with PCS and show respect for their workforce by offering them an inflation-proofed pay rise, pay equity across Government departments, a living wage of £15 per hour, a London weighting provision of at least £5,000 a year, and a minimum of 35 days annual leave.

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**672 UK's national minorities**

Tabled: **24/04/24** Signatories: **13**

**Ben Lake**  
**Liz Saville Roberts**  
**Hywel Williams**  
**Mary Kelly Foy**  
**Dave Doogan**  
**Allan Dorans**

Deidre Brock

Anne McLaughlin

That this House marks the 10th anniversary of the UK Government recognising the Cornish as a national minority through the Council of Europe's Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities; notes that this landmark decision set out numerous obligations including support for language and culture, education and the media, the greater visibility of national minorities in public life, the protection of historic territories, more opportunities on the international stage; further notes that the decision should afford the Cornish the same status as the UK's other national minorities; is however concerned that the UK Government has yet to fully meets its obligations under the Framework Convention by treating Cornwall equally with the other national parts of the UK; and calls on the UK Government to deliver meaningful devolution through the creation of a legislative Cornish Parliament or a National Assembly of Cornwall, full membership of the British-Irish Council and other trans-national bodies, fair funding for Cornwall and its public services, a Cornish Language Act, and public service broadcasting provision for Cornwall.

**681 Remembering Fergie MacDonald**

Tabled: **24/04/24** Signatories: **20**

**Angus Brendan MacNeil**  
**Chris Stephens**  
**Ian Blackford**  
**Wendy Chamberlain**  
**Carol Monaghan**  
**Jamie Stone**

Claire Hanna  
 Neale Hanvey  
 Grahame Morris  
 Kirsty Blackman

Deidre Brock  
 Hywel Williams  
 Patricia Gibson

Ronnie Cowan  
 Ian Mearns  
 Rebecca Long Bailey

That this House notes with sadness the passing of the great Fergie MacDonald, the legendary Scottish Ceilidh King and bandleader, who died aged 86 on 23 April 2024; pays tribute to his life and the joy and delight he brought to so many throughout the Highlands, Scotland, the pan-Celtic nations and through many other parts of the world; further notes that he lived a full Highland life as a stalker, gamekeeper, maybe even poacher, and most famously as a musician with the button box accordion, previous to that he was a physiotherapist to Partick Thistle FC in Glasgow and a trainer for the Fort William Shinty Club; also notes his successful music career spanning over 60 years with 23 released albums and many more original musical compositions, including topping the Scottish singles charts in 1966 with Loch Maree Islands; recognises his induction into the Scottish Traditional Music Hall of Fame; recalls his fantastic biography Fergie: Memoirs of a Musical Legend with Allan Henderson; remembers fondly his sense of fun, character, wit, humour and good nature which is why his passing is noted especially by so many Highland communities who valued and loved Fergie being Fergie with his trademark red socks on some small village hall stage entertaining the local community or a variety of weddings, with dances, tunes and entertaining chitchat in between

which brought him affection and fans from near and far; and joins with his family and friends in mourning the passing of a Highland legend.

## 682 World Malaria Day 2024

Tabled: **24/04/24** Signatories: **15**

**Patrick Grady**  
**Stuart C McDonald**  
**Wendy Chamberlain**  
**Deidre Brock**  
**Dr Philippa Whitford**  
**Jonathan Edwards**

Anne McLaughlin

Ian Byrne

Daisy Cooper

That this House notes that Thursday 25 April 2024 has been designated as World Malaria Day by the World Health Organisation, marking the 17th time the day has been observed since its establishment by the World Health Assembly in 2007; further notes that this year's theme focuses on accelerating the fight against malaria for a more equitable world, drawing attention to the decline in progress toward reducing malaria globally, particularly in the WHO African Region which in 2022 accounted for 94% of malaria cases and 95% of deaths and, that on current trajectories, critical 2025 milestones of the WHO global malaria strategy for reductions in malaria cases and deaths will be missed; also notes that the disease continues to directly endanger health and cost lives, and perpetuates a vicious cycle of inequity, with people living in the most vulnerable situations including pregnant women, infants, children under five years of age, refugees, migrants, internally displaced people, and Indigenous Peoples disproportionately impacted; and calls on the UK Government to increase its focus on working towards Sustainable Development Goal 3.3 to end the malaria epidemic, and to contribute required funding at the upcoming replenishments of Gavi, the vaccine alliance and the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria.

## 683 Two-child benefits limit

Tabled: **24/04/24** Signatories: **25**

**Mary Kelly Foy**  
**George Galloway**  
**Jon Trickett**  
**Richard Burgon**  
**Kate Osborne**  
**Jeremy Corbyn**

Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck

That this House recognises the new research from the End Child Poverty Coalition which highlights the extent to which the two-child limit impacts single parents and families with disabled children; notes that 20% of all households impacted by the two-child limit are families with at least one disabled child, which is just over 87,500 households; further notes that 25% of all families impacted by the two-child limit are single-parent households, with a child under 3; expresses incredulity that no assessment of the potential correlation between the proportion of children living in households affected by the two-child limit and levels of child poverty has been made by the Department for Work and Pensions; and calls for the two-child limit to be reconsidered.

**688 20th anniversary of The Leither Magazine**Tabled: **25/04/24** Signatories: **10**

**Deidre Brock**  
**Drew Hendry**  
**Stuart C McDonald**  
**Brendan O'Hara**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Chris Law**

Anne McLaughlin

That this House congratulates The Leither Magazine on its 20 year anniversary; notes the publication is read by around 45,000 people from Leith, Edinburgh and beyond, having built a strong readership since it was founded in 2004 by Billy Gould; congratulates the editorial, sales, design and writing teams and everyone involved with producing the Leither for their hard work and dedication which ensures each issue is an engaging read, covering topics as diverse, interesting and offbeat as the community it represents; recognises the importance of independent community journalism like The Leither in a world of increasingly centralised media voices; and wishes the Leither every success as it continues to provide its own unique take on the world from this vibrant historic docklands.

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**689 Leith Croft Community Pavilion**Tabled: **25/04/24** Signatories: **12**

**Deidre Brock**  
**Drew Hendry**  
**Dr Philippa Whitford**  
**Stuart C McDonald**  
**Brendan O'Hara**  
**Allan Dorans**

Anne McLaughlin

That this House congratulates the Leith Croft Community Pavilion on being shortlisted for a My Place Community Award 2024; applauds the inspiring work of this grassroots project which cleared two acres of debris-strewn wasteland and repaired, refurbished and returned a dilapidated old tennis pavilion for community use; notes the site now provides shared food growing plots to about 120 urban crofters and their families, a social enterprise tree nursery, horticultural training, a biodiversity play area, picnic facilities and a community cafe; further notes the project is run by local charity Earth in Common, founded by Evie Murray and built from a grassroots movement of Leith families who wanted to give their children a healthy outdoor experience in a crowded urban environment; welcomes the national platform provided by the My Place Awards from the Scottish Civic Trust to local community-led regenerative projects such as this; and thanks everyone involved including the many staff, volunteers and crofters for making this a fantastic new home for nature and people, benefitting thousands of Leithers.

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**690 Border Force staff at Heathrow Airport**Tabled: **26/04/24** Signatories: **16**

**John McDonnell**  
**Ian Byrne**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Charlotte Nichols**  
**Mary Kelly Foy**  
**Jon Trickett**

**Kim Johnson**  
**Ms Marie Rimmer**

**Richard Burgon****Zarah Sultana**

That this House expresses support and solidarity to members of the PCS union taking industrial action against their employer, Border Force, at Heathrow Airport; notes that on 29 April around 250 staff are being forced out of their current jobs on passport control as the Home Office have indicated they will no longer accommodate their contractual flexible working arrangements, reasonable adjustments or 'legacy' contractual terms on a new fixed teams based roster; believes that the proposed new roster will not effectively deal with the issues which the Home Office claims it is intended to address and that, on the contrary, the inflexibility of the roster will see many staff come off the roster or leave the service; and therefore calls on the Home Office to address staff concerns and agree to shift from its current entrenched position so that further industrial action might be averted.

**691 TS Scylla Sea Cadet Unit, Aberdeen**Tabled: **26/04/24** Signatories: **5**

**Richard Thomson**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Kirsten Oswald**  
**Kirsty Blackman**  
**Stephen Flynn**

That this House notes the fundraising efforts currently being carried out by Sea Cadet Helen Buswell and her colleagues at TS Scylla in Aberdeen by means of a sponsored walk; understands that in common with other Sea Cadet units, TS Scylla aims to give young people an experience that will help them grow into the person they want to be in a safe and friendly environment; is aware that through various activities and adventures, Sea Cadets learn teamwork, respect, loyalty, self-confidence, commitment, self-discipline, honesty and how to be the best version of themselves; and wishes the team at TS Scylla continued success going forward.

**692 Armenian Genocide**Tabled: **29/04/24** Signatories: **2**

**Martyn Day**  
**Jim Shannon**

That this House notes that on 24 April 2024 the Armenian community commemorated the Medz Yaghern (Great Crime) of the Armenian Genocide that saw the massacre and starvation of 1.5 million Armenians by the Ottomans; further notes the significance of recognising the Armenian genocide and engaging in commemorative actions in paying tribute to the victims and supporting the Armenian community; pays tribute to the survivors of the Armenian Genocide, including many who share their testimony day in, day out, to ensure the horrors of the past are never forgotten; thanks all of those who work to educate every person from every background in the UK about the Armenian Genocide, its contemporary relevance, and why we must acknowledge this crime



as having happened; urges all Rt hon. and hon. Members to observe this day and to pledge to speak out against the denial of the Armenian Genocide; and calls on the Government to formally recognise the Armenian Genocide.

693      **Building societies**

Tabled: 29/04/24      Signatories: 10

Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck  
Jim Shannon  
Bob Blackman  
Mary Kelly Foy  
Lloyd Russell-Moyle  
Kim Johnson

Grahame Morris  
Daisy Cooper

Mrs Sharon Hodgson

Mr Nicholas Brown

That this House recognises the financial and emotional hardship experienced by vulnerable, elderly building society customers and their families through being introduced by building societies which they trusted to firms offering unregulated wills and trusts; acknowledges that the products sold were unsuitable and failed, with investments that did not match members' attitude to risk, with excessive fees, and ultimately causing the loss of large portions of customers estates, and thereby the loss of their children's inheritance; highlights the concern victims have that the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) has failed to act against the building societies despite many FCA Principles for Business being breached, and that the societies failed to perform satisfactory due diligence on the firms they introduced customers to; and as such believes that the FCA should compel the building societies to fully compensate, including for the upset, stress and hardship caused; calls upon the Government to ensure that, if the building societies make an offer of compensation, that the Creditors' Committee can negotiate on behalf of the impacted individuals and if necessary give powers to the FCA to compel the building societies to compensate the victims in full; and further calls upon the Government to ensure that similar injustices do not happen in the future.

694      **Dundee United Football Club Scottish Championship winners**

Tabled: 29/04/24      Signatories: 7

Kirsten Oswald  
Stephen Flynn  
Stewart Hosie  
Stuart C McDonald  
Chris Law  
Jim Shannon

Marion Fellows

That this House congratulates Dundee United Football Club on their 2023-24 Championship winning season, which means they will be returned to the Scottish Premiership at first time of asking; notes that their victory was secured in the penultimate game of the season against Airdrie at the Excelsior Stadium; further notes that seven DUFC Academy graduates were amongst the Championship winning starting squad of Walton, McClelland, Graham, Wotherspoon, Sibbald, Middleton, Fotheringham, Mochrie, Thomson, Watt, McMann and substitutes Newman, Grimshaw, Moulton, Tillson, Meekison, MacLeod, Cudjoe, Gallagher, Cleall-Harding; understands that the Cinch Championship Trophy will be presented on Friday 3 May at Tannadice when Dundee United face Partick Thistle FC in the final game of the season; applauds the efforts of the squad, backroom staff, and manager Jim Goodwin; appreciates the tireless support of United fans, whose enthusiasm and dedication are second to none; recalls that Dundee United, the tangerines, have a proud history

over 115 years, since being formed as Dundee Hibernian in 1909, including the club under Jim McLean winning the Scottish Premier League in 1982-83, victory in the Scottish Cup in 1994 and 2010, and the Scottish League Cup in 1979 and 1980, reaching the European Cup semi-finals in 1983-84 and the UEFA Cup final in 1987; notes that Dundee United has a remarkable record having played and won four games against Barcelona, thus enjoying a 100% record against Barcelona in European ties; looks forward to the coming season; and wishes everyone at the club every continued success.

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#### 695 Royal Bank of Scotland, Newbridge

Tabled: 29/04/24 Signatories: 2

Christine Jardine  
Jim Shannon

That this House notes with concern the Royal Bank of Scotland has announced the closure of their Newbridge branch; further notes with concern that the impact on the residents of Newbridge this will have with their nearest branch now being nearly five miles away in Corstorphine; recognises the importance of the access to physical banking services with the impact of digital exclusion on older members of the community who rely on these services; and regrets the decision taken by the Royal Bank of Scotland's parent company, NatWest, to close 20% of their branches across the UK.

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#### 696 Kirkliston Post Office

Tabled: 29/04/24 Signatories: 2

Christine Jardine  
Jim Shannon

That this House regrets the planned closure of the Kirkliston Post Office, a crucial resource for the local community; recognises that this comes just weeks after the announcement of the closure of a vital Royal Bank of Scotland branch in Newbridge; notes with concern that these combined closures leave these villages with no access to in-person banking or access to government services in their local area; acknowledges the particular importance of physical Post Office services to elderly, isolated or vulnerable people; further notes that access to digital services is not universal; believes that there must be a renewed focus on protecting in-person local services; further believes that if pay and conditions are not improved for sub-postmasters and postmistresses, more facilities will be forced to close; and calls on the Government to work with the Post Office to prevent further closures.

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#### 697 AA810 Spitfire monument project

Tabled: 29/04/24 Signatories: 2

Christine Jardine  
Jim Shannon

That this House welcomes the campaign to create a monument for the unarmed Photograph Reconnaissance Unit for their work on behalf of the armed forces during the Second World War; notes that the unit captured around 20 million images throughout the conflict; regrets that there is no full record of their service to our country; commends the efforts of the AA810 project to both document the names of all who served in the unit and secure a national memorial to the unit in Westminster; encourages all Rt. hon and hon. members to support the campaign; and wishes the AA810 project every success in establishing this much needed monument.

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**698 900th anniversary of founding of City of Edinburgh**

Tabled: 29/04/24 Signatories: 2

**Christine Jardine**  
**Jim Shannon**

That this House celebrates the 900th anniversary of the founding of the City of Edinburgh and St Giles' Cathedral; notes the founding of the Cathedral in 1124 by King David I; recognises the cultural, historical and political significance of the role of the City in the last 900 years; further celebrates its diverse and rich culture, which brings over four million tourists a year generating hundreds of millions of pounds to the local economy, highlighted by festivals such as the world famous Fringe Festival and Hogmanay celebrations; further recognises its status as a UNESCO World Heritage site since 1995 with its distinguished architecture and natural beauty displayed by landmarks such as Arthur's Seat; and looks forward to the celebrations, reflecting over the last 900 years and exploring the future of the City.

**699 Bahrain's sponsorship of the Royal Windsor Horse Show**

Tabled: 29/04/24 Signatories: 4

**John McDonnell**  
**Kim Johnson**  
**Jeremy Corbyn**  
**Nadia Whittome**

That this House expresses concern at Bahrain's ongoing sponsorship of the Royal Windsor Horse Show 2024, to which the King of Bahrain and other Bahraini royals are likely to attend, despite Bahrain's appalling human rights record; notes that even after King Hamad's royal pardon including over 600 political prisoners on 8 April 2024, more than 550 political prisoners remain imprisoned and subject to egregious human rights violations, including prominent opposition leaders, activists and human rights defenders including Abduljalil Al-Singace, Abdulhadi Al-Khawaja, Abdulwahab Husain and Sheikh Abduljalil Al-Muqdad who have been arbitrarily imprisoned since 2011 for their role in the pro-democracy uprising; raises urgent concern about the deteriorating health of Hassan Mushaima, Bahrain's oldest political prisoner, age 76, who continues to be denied the urgent medical treatment that he requires; is further concerned that 26 individuals remain on death row at imminent risk of execution, many of whom allege torture including Mohammed Ramadhan and Husain Moosa; and therefore calls on the Royal Windsor Horse Show to uphold its own human rights policy adopted in 2021 and prevent the show from being used to sportswash the reputation of the Bahraini regime and use all available leverage to encourage King Hamad to immediately and unconditional release all political prisoners.

**700 205th Glasgow Eaglesham Boys' Brigade Company**

Tabled: 29/04/24 Signatories: 4

**Kirsten Oswald**  
**Owen Thompson**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Marion Fellows**

That this House congratulates the 205th Glasgow Eaglesham Boys Brigade Company on being crowned national UK champions in the Boys' Brigade five a side football competition; notes that the 205th won an impressive five out of five matches and conceded only two goals during the competition; recognises the skill and talent of the 205th team, consisting of Murray Black, Lyle Marshall, Finlay Fraser, Robbie McCoull, Samuel Blakely, Jack Ross, Andrew MacKiggan, and Jack Patterson; applauds Finlay Fraser on being named as company player of the year by the referee; understands the Boys' Brigade celebrated their 140th anniversary in October 2023 and originally

started with one group in Glasgow before spreading across the country and around the world, positively impacting the lives of millions of people; and wishes everyone at the 205th Glasgow Eaglesham Boys' Brigade Company all the very best for the future.

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#### **701 Samantha Gough Local Women Sport Awards 2024**

Tabled: **29/04/24** Signatories: **3**

**Owen Thompson**  
**Kirsten Oswald**  
**Jim Shannon**

That this House congratulates Samantha Gough for her recent success at the Local Women Sport Awards 2024; acknowledges her award for Special Recognition; recognises how this is a wonderful achievement and a testament to the dedication and hard work that she puts into her sporting career; applauds her recent feature on Sight Scotland's TV advert for their more than meets the eye campaign; further acknowledges how this award is a well-deserved recognition of her outstanding contribution to women's football and efforts to advocate for people with disabilities; and wishes Samantha continued success and acclaim in the future.

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#### **702 Award for HR Hub Plus Limited**

Tabled: **29/04/24** Signatories: **3**

**Richard Thomson**  
**Kirsten Oswald**  
**Jim Shannon**

That this House congratulates Aberdeen-based HR Hub Plus Limited on the company being awarded the Community Award in the Federation of Small Businesses' Celebrating Small Business Awards Scotland 2024; recognises the positive contribution made by HR Hub Plus Limited to the local community through its discounted services to charities, sponsorship of local community events, offering work placements and internships in collaboration with Robert Gordon University and local secondary schools and free CV and interview skills for businesses affected by redundancy and administration; notes the rapid success of the company since being founded in 2018; commends the company's ethos of respect, trust and inclusion; appreciates the nationwide coverage and range of expertise provided by the company; further recognises the incredible contribution made by businesses such as HR Hub Plus Limited in providing outstanding Human Resources support to small and medium sized businesses; and wishes all those involved with the company every success in the years to come.