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New EDMs

77 Inclusion of district councils in devolution negotiations

Tabled: 29/07/24 Signatories: 1

Max Wilkinson

That this House recognises the crucial role played by district councils in delivering services to communities across the country; welcomes the Government's commitment to further devolution talks; notes with concern initial comments from ministers that negotiations would take place with county councils only; but further welcomes subsequent suggestions that district councils would be consulted; and calls for the Government to commit to working with district councils whose expertise, local networks and knowledge for example supporting local economic development, housing and planning are key to a successful outcome.

78 Treatment of female activists in Iran

Tabled: 29/07/24 Signatories: 1

John McDonnell

That this House is alarmed by the breaches of International Humanitarian Law by the Iranian government; notes that the Islamic Republic's violent repression of women and the activists defending their rights has intensified across the country since the death of President Ebrahim Raisi on 19 May 2024; highlights that women are in danger of being executed and that four women face the death penalty, Sharifa Mohammadi, a labour activist, Pakhshan Azizi, a social researcher and women's activist, Nasim Gholami, a protester of the 2022 protests, and Vari

Moradi, a women's rights activist; notes that at least 12 women activists have been sentenced to prison terms, some as long as 21 years, in prosecutions lacking due process or fair trial rights, including the denial of chosen counsel; further notes that at least six women prisoners of conscience with serious medical conditions have been denied medical treatment by prison authorities, including an ailing elderly woman prisoner and one pregnant prisoner, that at least five have gone on hunger strike in protest, and that many of these women prisoners have also been denied contact with their families or lawyers; and condemns the Islamic Republic's intensified assault on women activists and its oppression of women.

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Scotland Schools win World Schools Debating Championship

Tabled: 29/07/24 Signatories: 1

Graeme Downie

That this House congratulates the Scotland Schools debating team on winning the World Schools Debating Championships; believes that Logan Moss from Dollar Academy, Sophie Hannigan and Callum Henry from St. Columba's School, Lena Zielinska from Broxburn Academy and Miya Turner from Portobello High School performed with distinction in arguing their position on the final motion This house regrets the glorification of champions; thanks their coaches, Jordan Pfotenhauer, Maxine Muirhead and Jamie Beverstock, for their work; believes that debating is a valuable and important skill that should be taught and practised in schools across Scotland; and hopes the winning pupils might assist new MPs as the House seeks to raise the level of debate and discourse in its own deliberations.

80 Olympics opening ceremony

Tabled: 29/07/24 Signatories: 1

Jim Allister

That this House condemns the gratuitous and offensive mocking of Christianity as part of the opening ceremony of the Olympic Games 2024; and calls on the Foreign Secretary to register a protest with the International Olympic Committee.

81 Andy Murray's legacy

Tabled: 29/07/24 Signatories: 1

Gordon McKee

That this House celebrates the remarkable tennis career of Andy Murray as he plays his last professional tournament at the Paris 2024 Olympics, including winning three Grand Slam singles titles, two Olympic Gold medals, leading his country to Davis Cup success and achieving the world No 1 ranking; recognises that tennis in Scotland and across Britain is far healthier as a result of Andy's inspirational achievements, with over 5.6 million adults and 3.6 million children

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playing tennis in Britain last year alone; and calls on the Government to continue investing in grassroots and community tennis to embed the Murray legacy in Scotland and across Britain.

82 **75 years of Comber Brass Band**

Tabled: 29/07/24 Signatories: 1

Jim Shannon

That this House notes 75 years of Comber Brass Band; highlights the 37 committed members that rehearse every Wednesday alongside their musical director Paul Hamilton; underlines the origins of the band go back to as far as 1900, when it was then known as the 2nd Comber Boys Brigade Flute band; further notes the transition to Comber Amateur Silver Band came in 1949; further highlights the extremely busy nature of the band with contests and concerts all year round, including the privilege of playing for Royalty over the years; thanks the band for their consistent engagement with the local community; and wishes them all the very best for the future.

83 Tony Blackburn's 60 years on air

Tabled: 29/07/24 Signatories: 1

Jim Shannon

That this House celebrates 60 years of Tony Blackburn on air; notes his first appearance on Radio Caroline on 25 July 1964 when he was only 21 and his contribution to the UK media since then; highlights his achievements over the last six decades in the media and presenting industry and that he is a much loved household name throughout the United Kingdom; and wishes him many more years of success on the radio.

84 RNLI lifeguard Callum McDonald

Tabled: 29/07/24 Signatories: 2

Jamie Stone Chris Law

That this House celebrates and pays its sincere gratitude to Callum McDonald, an RNLI lifeguard from Dundee; recognises his heroic effort which saved two young children from drowning in Farr Bay; appreciates the grave risks he exposed himself to in doing so; and echos the calls of the RNLI for greater awareness of the risks of drowning ahead of World Drowning Prevention Day.

85 Alan Gloak MBE

Tabled: 29/07/24 Signatories: 1

Sarah Dyke

That this House celebrates the life of Alan Gloak MBE; thanks him for his services to Somerset as a dedicated councillor; former Mayor of Glastonbury, and a tireless Liberal Democrat campaigner; recognises the pioneering role he played for the LGBTQ+ community as a writer for HIM magazine and Q International; is grateful for his contributions to Somerset life including establishing Glastonbury in Bloom over 25 years ago, and founding the charity TS5C which supported young able-bodied and disabled athletes in Somerset; appreciates his constant advocacy of change, freedom of expression and community spirit; and commemorates a life well lived.

86 Leven Beach world record attempt

Tabled: 29/07/24 Signatories: 1

Wendy Chamberlain

That this House congratulates the 500 people who participated in the attempted world record break in Leven for the biggest link'n'dip; recognises that all 500 participants walked into the sea holding hands to a piper's rendition of Flower of Scotland; celebrates the money raised for Megan's Space, a mental health charity for young people; and welcomes the fact that the event was part of a wellness day in Leven which brings the community together for activities along the Promenade.

87 Alcohol harm

Tabled: 29/07/24 Signatories: 3

Grahame Morris Dan Carden Mary Glindon

That this House supports the call from the Alcohol Health Alliance and leading public health professionals, made on 17 July 2024, for urgent action to tackle the escalating crisis of alcohol harm; realises that such action will help achieve ambitions to reduce NHS waiting times, crime and inequalities, and to grow the economy; notes with concern that over 10,000 people died due to alcohol in 2022, a record level and a 33% increase from 2019; further notes that alcohol-related illnesses account for one million hospital admissions annually; acknowledges that there are an estimated 4.2 million alcohol-related crimes each year, costing £14.6 billion; understands that more working years of life are lost to alcohol than the ten most common cancers combined; recalls that despite the Alcohol Charter, published on 16 October 2018 by All-Party Parliamentary Groups, the Commission on Alcohol Harm report, published on 14 September 2020, and the recommendations of the Public Accounts Committee's report on Alcohol treatment services, published on 24 May 2023, there has been no actual

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Alcohol Strategy published since 23 March 2012; and urges the Government to introduce a comprehensive Alcohol Strategy without delay, to address the escalating alcohol harm crisis.

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Armagh, All Ireland Men's Senior Football Champions 2024

Tabled: 29/07/24 Signatories: 1

Colum Eastwood

That this House congratulates Armagh on their 2024 All Ireland Senior Football Championship victory; further congratulates all the players, managerial, coaching and backroom teams involved in securing the county's 2nd All- Ireland Senior Football Championship; celebrates the fact that all of the Men's All-Ireland football titles, from schools to seniors, are now home in Ulster; and pays tribute to all those involved in the GAA from coaches and players to staff behind the scenes and volunteers across Ireland and Britain, their dedication and commitment to their clubs and communities which remain an important sporting and cultural fixture in life across these islands as well as a focal point for the diaspora abroad.

89 **Human rights in Balochistan**

Tabled: 29/07/24 Signatories: 1

John McDonnell

That this House notes with alarm that Pakistani security forces have violently repressed a peaceful gathering in Gwadar, a port city in the southern province of Balochistan, which was organised by the Baloch Solidarity Committee, an organisation resisting enforced disappearances, military operations, resource extraction, and the targeting of political dissent; further notes that the gathering aimed to demand justice for Balochistan's missing persons and that leaders and protestors of the Baloch Solidarity Committee have been stopped, harassed, arrested, and attacked by Pakistani security forces and to ensure news does not come out Pakistani authorities have blocked internet connectivity; and therefore calls upon the Government to demand that the government of Pakistan lifts the internet censorship, publishes information on the number of arrests, injuries, disappearances, and deaths that have taken place and to demand an immediate cessation of this history of repression that is putting the safety and lives of human rights protestors at risk.

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Rifles Regiment in the South West

Tabled: 29/07/24 Signatories: 1

Steve Darling

That this House commends the selflessness and bravery of the Rifles Regiment; notes the integral part that it plays in defending the realm by undertaking deployments in Cyprus and Estonia, thereby providing important reassurance in relation to the Middle East and the northern flank of NATO, and by training the Ukrainian armed forces; acknowledges that the

Rifles Regiment celebrated and affirmed its Freedom of the Borough at a ceremony in Torbay on 27 July 2024; and further notes that the Freedom of the Borough is a great privilege and reflects the strong links between the Rifles Regiment and many communities across the south west of England.

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.

3 Third runway at Heathrow

Tabled: 17/07/24 Signatories: 8

Sarah Olney
Jeremy Corbyn
Christine Jardine
Munira Wilson
Mr Paul Kohler
John McDonnell

Charlotte Cane

That this House recognises Heathrow's renewed focus on the third runway project; condemns the expansion due to its widely-recognised impact on local communities; highlights the existing impact of flying at Heathrow on south west and west London; further highlights that support for the expansion of the third runway contradicts stated commitments to achieving net zero; and urges the Government to reject the project.

7 Consumer water bills

Tabled: 17/07/24 Signatories: 40

Sarah Olney Steff Aquarone Luke Taylor Liz Jarvis Alex Brewer Pippa Heylings

Charlotte Cane

That this House regrets the large increases that have been proposed to consumer water bills; notes that water companies continue to dump sewage into local waterways; believes, as a point of principle, that it is unfair for water companies to make consumers bear the brunt of the costs for improvements to infrastructure when companies have paid out millions to

shareholders in profits and bonuses to directors and executives; and calls on water companies to ensure water bills make clear to customers where their money is being spent.

9 Cumbria coal mine court appeal

Tabled: 17/07/24 Signatories: 41

Tim Farron
Christine Jardine
John McDonnell
Jim Shannon
Ellie Chowns
Carla Denyer

John Milne Charlotte Cane Rachel Gilmour Dr

Roz Savage Mike Martin Ian Roome

Lisa Smart Adam Dance Angus MacDonald

That this House welcomes the Government's decision to withdraw support for plans for a new coal mine at Whitehaven in Cumbria; recognises that commissioning the coal mine contradicts the UK's commitment to reduce carbon dioxide emissions; calls for urgent investment to be made in Cumbria for alternative sources of high skilled employment in green industries; and urges the new Secretary of State to reject planning permission if the court rules in favour of the appeal.

12 **200th anniversary of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution**

Tabled: 17/07/24 Signatories: 45

Helena Dollimore Neil Duncan-Jordan Ben Lake Liz Saville Roberts Llinos Medi

Christine Jardine

Perran Moon Josh MacAlister Henry Tufnell

Tom Hayes Mr Richard Quigley

That this House congratulates the Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI) on its 200th anniversary of saving lives at sea; thanks all crew members who have risked their lives to save over 140,000 lives at sea; and pays tribute to all volunteers past and present who support this vital work.

13 Britain's first black police officer, John Kent

Tabled: 17/07/24 Signatories: 11

Ms Julie Minns Ben Lake Liz Saville Roberts Llinos Medi Ann Davies Adam Jogee

Markus Campbell-Savours

That this House pays tribute to Britain's first black police officer, John Kent who died on 20 July 1886; notes that John Kent was the son of a freed slave, Thomas Kent; further notes that John Kent began his policing career in Maryport, Cumbria in 1835 before transferring to the Carlisle City Police in 1837; commends John Kent for his service, in particular his policing of the Carlisle election riots during which he and other officers were injured; and asks that the Speaker's Advisory Committee on Works of Art consider commissioning a portrait of Britain's first black police officer to mark the 220th anniversary of John Kent's birth which falls in 2025.

14 International Criminal Court, Gaza and the Rule of Law

Tabled: 17/07/24 Signatories: 41

Richard Burgon Imran Hussain Zarah Sultana Ms Apsana Begum Bell Ribeiro-Addy John McDonnell

Adrian Ramsay

That this House rejects attempts by the previous Government to undermine the International Criminal Court's (ICC) right to seek an arrest warrant against Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu for war crimes, following the decision by the ICC Chief Prosecutor to issue applications for arrest warrants for a number of Israeli and Hamas leaders in May 2024; opposes the decision by the previous Government to challenge the ICC's jurisdiction over Israeli actions in Gaza; notes that the ICC has a well-established jurisdiction over Israeli actions in Palestine; believes that the UK, as an ICC member committed to a rules-based international order, should protect the Court's independence and reject any efforts to impede or interfere with its work, or to intimidate or retaliate against its officials; further believes that attempts to hinder the ICC's work not only risk undermining accountability for war crimes in Gaza but also weaken the wider rule of law and international justice as a whole; calls on the UK Government to do all it can to support the International Criminal Court in its efforts to ensure accountability and justice for the victims of war crimes; and further calls on the UK Government to immediately

drop the challenge made by the previous Government regarding arrest warrants and the ICC's jurisdiction over Israeli actions in Gaza.

22 Child poverty and the two-child benefit cap

Tabled: 17/07/24 Signatories: 74

Wendy Chamberlain
Daisy Cooper
Richard Foord
Mr Alistair Carmichael
Wera Hobhouse
Jamie Stone

Sarah Gibson

That this House believes no child should grow up without adequate food, a warm home or security for their future; notes the Department for Work and Pensions' April 2024 statistics which state that 1.6 million children are affected by the two-child benefit cap; further notes that parents subject to the cap have less income available for childcare costs and therefore experience barriers to employment; recognises that removing this cap is the most cost-effective way of immediately lifting children out of poverty and deep poverty; and urges the Chancellor of the Exchequer to remove the two-child limit on social security payments in her first Budget.

28 Dental provision in the South West of England

Tabled: 17/07/24 Signatories: 20

Anna Sabine Caroline Voaden Vikki Slade Wera Hobhouse Sarah Dyke Ben Maguire

Sarah Gibson

That this House notes with concern the lack of NHS dentist provision in South West England; is shocked to learn that parents are often being told to take their children to private dentists in order to get a basic check-up; is concerned that over 100,000 children aged between 6 and 10 years have been admitted to hospital with rotting teeth since 2018; believes that the current situation is leading to children missing out on vital check-ups; supports providing supervised toothbrush training for children in nurseries and schools; further believes that VAT on children's toothbrushes and toothpaste should be scrapped; and calls on the new Government to work with relevant primary care bodies to end the dental deserts in the South West region by bringing dentists back to the NHS from the private sector by fixing the broken NHS dental contract and

using flexible commissioning to meet patient needs so that local residents can access NHS dental services when they need it.

44 Fire Brigades Union

Tabled: **22/07/24** Signatories: **15**

Stephen Gethins
Mary Kelly Foy
Jim Shannon
Jon Trickett
Ben Lake
Liz Saville Roberts

John McDonnell

That this House recognises the hard work of the Fire Brigades Union and Jim Malone, a constituent of the hon. Member for Arbroath and Broughty Ferry, who, with the support of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, Scottish Trades Union Congress and Scottish Government, have been able to facilitate the training of over 100 Palestinian firefighters in Scotland; notes that the Fire Brigades Union has successfully delivered essential equipment to Palestine, such as fire appliances and firefighting kits; further notes that the Fire Brigades Union is currently delivering another fire appliance to the Nablus Municipality Fire Department and that appliance, packed with kit and equipment, is sailing to the Israeli port of Ashdod; calls for the safe passage of the lifesaving equipment and hopes that the local organisations will safely collect this humanitarian donation; and commends the important and life-saving work that these organisations are providing.

48 **50** years since Turkey invaded Cyprus

Tabled: 22/07/24 Signatories: 3

Jim Shannon Cameron Thomas John McDonnell

That this House notes that it has been 50 years since Turkey invaded Cyprus; highlights that in 1974, Turkish forces launched what they called a peace operation after a brief Greek inspired coup; further notes that whilst it has been years since there has been any violence between the two sides, the ethnically split island is a persistent source of tension between Greece and Turkey; underlines that both are partners in NATO but are at odds over numerous issues and that reunification talks collapsed in 2017 and have been at a stalemate since; and urges the UK Government to take diplomatic steps to achieve peace and stability and work towards a settled, happy future for all citizens in the region.

51 **Radiotherapy**

Tabled: 22/07/24 Signatories: 23

Grahame Morris
Ellie Chowns
Mary Kelly Foy
Jim Shannon
Jeremy Corbyn
Jon Trickett

Luke Akehurst Graham Stringer Dr Simon Opher

Mary Glindon Valerie Vaz Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck

John McDonnell Nadia Whittome

That this House recognises the value of radiotherapy as a key and lifesaving cancer treatment, necessary for around half of all cancer cures and as a highly effective, non-invasive treatment for patients; celebrates the invaluable contribution of the approximately 6,400-strong radiotherapy workforce who treat over 100,000 cancer patients in the UK each year; welcomes the technological advancements in radiotherapy that can deliver more effective treatments, reduce side effects, and increase treatment capacity to reduce waiting lists; and further welcomes the work of radiotherapy cancer charities, such as Radiotherapy UK, in supporting cancer patients and advocating for a world-leading national radiotherapy and cancer service.

53 Student protests in Bangladesh

Tabled: 22/07/24 Signatories: 26

Apsana Begum Ellie Chowns Sammy Wilson Carla Denyer Zarah Sultana Jeremy Corbyn

Ian Byrne Andy McDonald John McDonnell

Grahame Morris

That this House is alarmed about the human rights situation Bangladesh; is particularly appalled that a large number of students have been killed or brutally injured whilst protesting against the Government's quota system; notes Bangladesh Supreme Court's latest ruling on the quota system but remains concerned for the safety of the students and civilians in Bangladesh participating in protests; believes that the violence towards them, unlawful killings, the shutting down of the internet and mobile services, and other forms of repression are unacceptable and are in conflict with Bangladesh's human rights obligations; is concerned about the potential long-term consequences for civilians; and reaffirms that the right to protest, freedom of assembly and freedom of expression are inalienable and fundamental to any functioning democracy.

57 Somerset and Dorset Railway Heritage Trust

Tabled: 23/07/24 Signatories: 6

Anna Sabine
Edward Morello
Jim Shannon
Mr Gideon Amos
Sarah Dyke
Susan Murray

That this House joins in the celebrations of the Somerset and Dorset Railway Heritage Trust marking the 150th anniversary of the opening of Midsomer Norton Station on the Bath extension of the Somerset and Dorset Railway; thanks the Trust and its volunteers for their sustained commitment to preserving and developing this prized heritage asset; offers the Trust its best wishes for their future plans; and encourages everyone to visit the Somerset and Dorset Railway so that this important heritage facility can be preserved for future generations.

58 UK arms exports to Israel

Tabled: 23/07/24 Signatories: 40

Layla Moran
Tom Morrison
Sarah Dyke
Clive Jones
Dr Danny Chambers
Anna Sabine

Alison Bennett Charlotte Cane Sarah Gibson

That this House notes with deep concern possible breaches of International Humanitarian Law by Israel in the Occupied Palestinian Territories; expresses its concern that UK arms supplied to Israel may have been used to commit breaches of International Humanitarian Law; resolves to improve parliamentary scrutiny of the UK's control of arms exports; urges the UK Government to introduce a presumption of denial for arms exports to governments listed as human rights priorities in the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office's annual human rights report; therefore calls on the UK Government to cease the export of UK arms to Israel; recognises that the Palestinian Authority and Hamas are listed within the Occupied Palestinian Territories section of the 2022 FCDO human rights report; further calls on the UK Government to use all political and diplomatic powers to halt arms supplied to Hamas from Iran and other actors that are hostile to Israel; further urges the UK Government to take steps to secure an immediate bilateral ceasefire in Israel and Gaza to put an end to the humanitarian devastation in Gaza, get the hostages home and create space to secure a two-state solution; and believes that only two-states and a lasting peace can delivery the security and dignity that Israelis and Palestinians need and deserve.

60 All England Lawn Tennis Club proposal to develop Wimbledon Park

Tabled: 24/07/24 Signatories: 7

Mr Paul Kohler Sarah Olney Sarah Dyke Jim Shannon Munira Wilson Charlotte Cane

Susan Murray

That this House congratulates the All England Lawn Tennis Club on this year's successful Championships; acknowledges the Club's status as the host of the world's premier tennis tournament; recognises their plans to build a 10 storey stadium, nine further outbuildings, 38 tennis courts and over 9km of roads on Capability Brown's historic parkland in Wimbledon Park; notes the impact the proposed expansion will have on both the local community and the environment; urges the Club to fully and constructively engage with residents and other stakeholders to reach a compromise that addresses the needs of all parties; and calls upon the All England Club to honour and abide by the solemn promises and legal undertakings they committed to when they originally purchased this environmentally significant area of Metropolitan Open Land.

61 Southern Water, Havant Thicket Reservoir

Tabled: 24/07/24 Signatories: 15

Jess Brown-Fuller Alex Brewer Dr Danny Chambers John Milne John McDonnell James MacCleary

Caroline Voaden Mr Joshua Reynolds Manuela Perteghella Alison Bennett Dr Roz Savage Helen Maguire Charlotte Cane Marie Goldman Mike Martin

That this House notes with concern that Southern Water proposes to introduce recycled waste water into the spring-fed drinking water supply at the Havant Thicket Reservoir; further notes that this method of reverse osmosis will be the first of its kind in the United Kingdom and is a system used primarily in countries with an insecure water supply; expresses concerned that this project does not fit within the articles of association for water companies to put the environment and customers at the heart of their objectives; asks why a capital investment of £1.2bn can be financed but no such investment is forthcoming in wastewater management; and requests that all proposed customers of this drinking water supply are consulted before this national infrastructure project creates a blueprint for all water companies to do the same.

62 Contribution of lidos

Tabled: 24/07/24 Signatories: 10

Max Wilkinson Zöe Franklin Alex Brewer Mr Lee Dillon Martin Wrigley Freddie van Mierlo

Munira Wilson

That this House celebrates the contribution to our country's health, wellbeing and heritage made by lidos; notes with concern the significant financial challenges being faced by the sector, principally due to energy costs but also as a result of ongoing maintenance to heritage assets and required capital investment; notes that environmental sustainability for lidos can be achieved while lowering energy costs; recognises that lidos are run by a variety of organisations including local government and the third sector; and calls on the Government to explore options to secure the long-term financial and environmental sustainability of lidos.

63 **Zero carbon homes**

Tabled: 24/07/24 Signatories: 10

Tim Farron
Max Wilkinson
Vikki Slade
Wendy Chamberlain
Tom Gordon
John McDonnell

Charlotte Cane

That this House believes that all new homes should be built to a zero carbon standard; urges the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government to grant local councils and National Park authorities the powers to enforce the Future Home Standard for all new homes; calls for all new houses to be built to a minimum standard of producing 75-80% lower CO2 emissions than homes currently being built; further calls for all new homes to be built with solar panels; and recognises the need to cut energy bills and cut carbon emissions as a matter of great urgency.

64 Flooding In the River Severn catchment area

Tabled: 24/07/24 Signatories: 8

Cameron Thomas [R]
Max Wilkinson
Mr Gideon Amos
Sarah Dyke
Wendy Chamberlain
Ian Roome

John Milne

That this House recognises the economic, environmental, logistical and humanitarian impact upon businesses and residents of, and commuters through Tewkesbury constituency, owing to consistent flooding from the River Severn; notes that the population centre of Tewkesbury and several rural communities all lie within the River Severn catchment area; and expresses concern that Tewkesbury is particularly vulnerable to flooding following periods of heavy rainfall.

65 Tax on private jets

Tabled: 24/07/24 Signatories: 11

Neil Duncan-Jordan Jon Trickett Mary Kelly Foy Andy McDonald Carla Denyer Siân Berry

Jim Shannon

That this House is concerned that private jets release 10 times more carbon per passenger than commercial flights, pay no VAT or fuel duty and most passengers pay the same low rate of air passenger duty as ordinary commercial flyers; recognises that the UK has more private flights and more pollution from private jets than any other country in Europe; and calls on the Government to tackle this issue by levying VAT, tax fuel and increase air passenger duty on private jets which would raise £700m a year.

71 Recognition of the state of Palestine

Tabled: 25/07/24 Signatories: 13

Shockat Adam
Ayoub Khan
Jeremy Corbyn
Mr Adnan Hussain
Iqbal Mohamed
Carla Denyer

Pete Wishart

That this House notes the UN General Assembly resolution of 9 May 2024 which recommended that the Security Council reconsider the matter of the recognition of the state of Palestine following the use of their veto by the United States on 18 April 2024; recognises the international community's growing consensus, noting that as of May 2024 Ireland, Spain, and Norway joined 145 UN member states in recognising the state of Palestine; condemns the vote of Israel's Knesset on 18 July 2024 to reject the establishment of an independent Palestinian state; and calls on HM Government to immediately recognise the state of Palestine in accordance with the International Court of Justice's advisory opinion of 2024, which recognised that the West Bank, East Jerusalem and the Gaza strip constitute a single territorial unit the integrity of which is to be respected.

72 South Devon gymnast at the Paris Olympics 2024

Tabled: 26/07/24 Signatories: 3

Steve Darling Jim Shannon Martin Wrigley

That this House congratulates every athlete selected to represent Team GB at Paris 2024 and wishes them every success at the Games; notes that 16-year-old Paignton born gymnast Abigail Martin, member of the South Devon School of Gymnastics is competing; and further notes the vital contribution of UK Sport and The National Lottery in supporting these athletes on their journey to the pinnacle of sport.

73 Community Ownership Fund

Tabled: 26/07/24 Signatories: 3

Claire Hanna John McDonnell Jim Shannon

That this House notes that the Community Ownership Fund was introduced by the last Government to support voluntary and community groups; further notes that current Community Ownership funding will come to an end in March 2025; acknowledges that many organisations

and projects are reliant on this funding due to the withdrawal of EU structural funds and face uncertainty about what comes next; and calls on the new Government to provide reassurance and to outline plans for the continuation or replacement of the fund as soon as possible to allow organisations to plan ahead.

74 Olympic Games 2024 legacy

Tabled: 26/07/24 Signatories: 2

Sarah Dyke Jim Shannon

That this House wishes Olympic athletes from Glastonbury and Somerton, Sophie Hamilton and Matt Richards, luck in the Paris Olympic Games; commends them for being positive role models in the community that will make their nation proud; calls on the Government to ensure a lasting legacy from the Games to boost participation in grassroots sports by investing in leisure centres, swimming pools and supporting community sports clubs; further calls for sports funding via the National Lottery to be protected; notes that Somerset has a proud history of producing Olympic athletes; and wishes everyone in Team GB the best of luck in Paris.

75 St Leonard's Catholic School, City of Durham

Tabled: 26/07/24 Signatories: 5

Mary Kelly Foy John McDonnell Luke Akehurst Iqbal Mohamed Jim Shannon

That this House expresses its support for the parents, pupils and staff at St Leonard's Catholic School in City of Durham who were deeply affected by the reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete crisis in August 2023; notes the extent of the disruption that the crisis caused; believes the previous Conservative government did not do enough to support the school or its community; further notes that the previous Secretary of State for Education did not provide mitigating circumstances for pupils despite the hardships they faced; highlights the support that the St Leonard's community received in City of Durham and throughout the North East of England; and pays tribute to the determination of the St Leonard's community, whose hard work has secured a rebuild of the school estate.

76 NHS staff car parking charges

Tabled: 26/07/24 Signatories: 5

Jon Trickett John McDonnell Iqbal Mohamed Jim Shannon Neil Duncan-Jordan

That this House supports free car parking for all NHS staff; notes that driving to work is the only viable option for some NHS staff; further notes that some NHS Trusts have introduced complicated invoicing systems through which staff are billed for parking, which has contributed to low morale in the workforce; recognises that during the pandemic NHS staff did not have to pay for parking but charges were subsequently reinstated; believes that NHS staff do an incredible job looking after us and the Government should look after them in return; and calls on the Government to examine the possibility of permanently scrapping car parking charges for NHS staff.