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Early Day Motions tabled on Thursday 24 October 2024

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New EDMs

308 Hazel Irvine and BAFTA Scotland's Lifetime Achievement Award

Tabled: **24/10/24** Signatories: 1

Christine Jardine

That this House congratulates Hazel Irvine on receiving the BAFTA Scotland Lifetime Achievement Award; notes her extensive career in journalism began at Radio Clyde and STV, before moving to the BBC; further notes she became the youngest ever presenter of the BBC's sports programme, Grandstand in 1993; commends her range of experience as a prolific sporting presenter including coverage of golf, snooker and several Olympic and Commonwealth Games; celebrates her receiving an MBE in the 2024 New Year Honours for services to sport and charity; and wishes her further success in her career.

309 Banff, Macduff and District Men's Shed Scottish Men's Shed of the Year award

Tabled: **24/10/24** Signatories: 1

Seamus Logan

That this House congratulates Banff, Macduff and District Men's Shed on winning the Scottish Men's Shed of the Year title for the second consecutive year; notes the award was announced on the tenth anniversary of the Scottish Men's Shed organisation, the national support hub for over 200 Men's Sheds; applauds the other finalists, Breadalbane and Maryburgh on their achievements; commends the Banff, Macduff and District Men's Shed volunteers for the work

they are carrying out to improve men's health and wellbeing and the impact that they are making in their local communities; and wishes them continued success in the future.

310 **Fifth anniversary of the Commission on Justice in Wales report**

Tabled: **24/10/24** Signatories: **4**

Liz Saville Roberts

Ben Lake

Llinos Medi

Ann Davies

That this House commemorates the fifth anniversary of the publication of the Commission on Justice in Wales report, Justice in Wales for the People of Wales; recognises that the findings and recommendations of this extensive report, also known as the Thomas Commission report, continue to apply five years after publication; notes that among key recommendations of the report is the devolution of justice and policing to Wales, alongside the necessary funding; regrets that the Labour UK Government has refused to engage with these recommendations despite Welsh Government endorsement; acknowledges that Wales has its own distinct issues due to the jagged edge of the justice system in Wales; is concerned that recent data published by the Wales Governance Centre shows the scale of the crisis within prisons in Wales, primarily falling under UK Government jurisdiction; and calls on the UK Government to mark the anniversary of this important report by following the lead of their Welsh Labour colleagues and fully engaging with the report's recommendations to devolve justice and policing to Wales.

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.

232 **UN Special Rapporteur's report on atrocity crimes in Iran**

Tabled: **10/10/24** Signatories: **12**

Bob Blackman

Ellie Chowns

Jim Shannon

Martin Vickers

Siân Berry

Alex Sobel

Mary Kelly Foy

That this House welcomes the landmark Atrocity Crimes report by the UN Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Iran, published by the OHCHR in July 2024, which sheds light on grave human rights violations, including the 1988 massacre of political prisoners;

notes that the report states that there is considerable evidence that mass killings, torture and other inhumane acts against members of the People's Mojahedin Organisation of Iran were conducted with genocidal intent; commends Professor Javaid Rehman for his six years of service as the Special Rapporteur; condemns the Iranian regime's subsequent smear campaign against Professor Rehman, including false and malicious allegations aimed at discrediting his integrity and impartiality; recognises that these attacks stem from his unwavering commitment to fulfilling his mandate and his refusal to be intimidated by the Iranian government; believes that the Special Rapporteur's report opens a pathway to justice and an end to impunity in Iran; looks forward to working with Professor Rehman's successor, Dr. Mai Sato, in pursuing the quest for accountability; supports the No to Executions campaign; and calls on the Government to support initiatives aimed at holding the Iranian regime accountable for its human rights violations, including the 1988 massacre.

236 World Mental Health Day 2024

Tabled: **10/10/24** Signatories: **45**

Dr Danny Chambers

Helen Morgan

Sarah Gibson

Iqbal Mohamed

Bob Blackman

Dr Beccy Cooper

Rachel Gilmour

Mr Lee Dillon

That this House marks World Mental Health Day, which takes place each year on 10 October, and which raises awareness of mental health issues and promotes positive mental wellbeing globally; notes that the theme for 2024 is workplace mental health; expresses concern that, in 2024, Britain is facing increasing waiting lists for mental health diagnoses for both children and adults; emphasises the importance of talk-therapies, talking openly about mental health to allow individuals to express how they feel and access the support they need; and encourages anyone struggling with mental health issues to reach out for support.

237 Anytime Single tickets with railcardsTabled: **14/10/24** Signatories: **8**

Ayoub Khan
Iqbal Mohamed
Mr Adnan Hussain
Jon Trickett
Siân Berry
Carla Denyer

Cat Eccles

That this House notes with concern the targeting by Rail Operators of 16-25 and 26-30 railcard holders who have purchased Anytime Single tickets during peak morning times, unknowingly invalidating their tickets due to a Railcard minimum fare requirement; further notes that despite a £12 minimum fare for Anytime Singles at peak morning times with 16-25 and 26-30 Railcards, this critical information is obscured within the small print, leading to seeming widespread consumer confusion and inadvertent fare evasion; acknowledges that these tickets continue to be listed as available for sale without sufficiently clear warnings about the Railcard fare restrictions; notes with concern that there are people who now have a criminal record for buying an Anytime Single ticket which was not valid before 10am; urges the Government to introduce a role of the Crown Prosecution Service in regulating private prosecutions; and urges the Government to launch an investigation into the clarity and transparency of fare structures and ticketing practices to ensure fair treatment and protection for all rail passengers, particularly vulnerable younger travellers who rely on railcards for affordable travel.

240 Veterans and the Winter Fuel PaymentTabled: **14/10/24** Signatories: **33**

Helen Maguire
Mike Martin
Richard Foord
Jim Shannon
Steff Aquarone
Wendy Chamberlain

Mr Lee Dillon

That this House expresses its concern that changes to Winter Fuel Payment eligibility rules will adversely impact veterans; notes that these changes have been introduced with little notice as the winter months approach, and have been made without a full impact assessment; further notes with concern that this approach fails to take into account those with high energy needs because of illness or disability, those who live in energy inefficient homes, and those on modest incomes just above the entitlement threshold for Pension Credit; and calls on the Government to protect veterans from losing this crucial support by reversing the cuts to the Winter Fuel Payment.

249 World Food DayTabled: **14/10/24** Signatories: **27**

Anna Sabine
Jim Shannon
Steff Aquarone
Steve Darling
Liz Jarvis
Jamie Stone

Mr Lee Dillon

That this House marks World Food Day, a UN designated-day celebrated on 16 October every year; notes the approximately 733 million people facing hunger in the world; further notes that everyone should have the right to adequate food; acknowledges the role of farmers and rural communities in producing food to feed populations around the world; and recognises the pivotal role of farmers in securing the future of resilient food systems, climate mitigation, nature restoration and supporting a peaceful, resilient and inclusive livelihood for all.

257 Infant head measurementsTabled: **15/10/24** Signatories: **18**

Alex Brewer
Jim Shannon
Calum Miller [R]
Liz Jarvis
Shockat Adam
Helen Maguire

Mr Lee Dillon

That this House believes in the urgent need for regularly measuring each infant's head circumference to effectively identify early signs of hydrocephalus, also known as water on the brain; notes that hydrocephalus is the most common reason for brain surgery in children, with an estimated 1 in 770 babies diagnosed annually; emphasises that early diagnosis is critical for treatments to be successful, and a rapidly increasing head circumference, specifically an increase of 2 or more centile lines on a growth chart, serves as a key indicator of the condition; highlights that the UK conducts fewer head circumference checks than many other developed countries; and recognises that infants are already checked by health workers on a regular basis and that these routine checks could be used to increase the frequency of head measurements in order to save lives.

260 15th anniversary of the repair café movementTabled: **16/10/24** Signatories: **19**

Sarah Dyke
Ellie Chowns
Pippa Heylings
Siân Berry
Vikki Slade
Helen Maguire

Mohammad Yasin

Mr Lee Dillon

That this House celebrates the 15th anniversary of the repair café movement on 19 October; values the work done by the 3000 repair cafés globally, including the Castle Cary repair café that has repaired over 170 domestic items since its launch in July 2023, saving half a tonne of potential waste from landfill; recognises the roles repair cafés have in cutting CO2 emissions and creating a circular economy; is concerned that the UK is the second highest producer of electronic waste per capita in the world; and believes that the UK Government should do more to encourage repair and reuse schemes.

265 Establishment of the Women's Caucus in WestminsterTabled: **17/10/24** Signatories: **42**

Kirsty Blackman
Ellie Chowns
Dame Siobhain McDonagh
Christine Jardine
Liz Saville Roberts
Rachel Blake

Helen Maguire

Cat Eccles

Daisy Cooper

That this House agrees to establish a Women's Caucus in the UK Parliament, which is the women Members of Parliament working together to advance issues that disproportionately affect women; notes that there are women's caucuses in the devolved nations of Wales, Northern Ireland and Scotland; further notes that now is the time to establish a Women's Caucus which focuses on issues affecting women across the UK and within Parliament, and aims to find cross party solutions to these problems; and notes that this Parliament has the biggest cohort of women MPs in its history and marks a significant moment to drive forward gender equality not just within the UK Parliament but across the entire country.

273 Rural Crime Action Week 2024Tabled: **21/10/24** Signatories: **18**

Helen Morgan
Steff Aquarone
Christine Jardine
Wendy Chamberlain
Dr Roz Savage
Claire Young

Jess Brown-Fuller

Mr Lee Dillon

That this House recognises Rural Crime Action Week which runs between 21 and 25 October 2024 to highlight the impact of rural crime on communities; is concerned by the NFU's 2024 Rural Crime Report which states that the cost of rural crime increased by 4.3% across the UK in 2023; further notes that the highest regional cost of crime in 2023 was in the Midlands at £11.7 billion; acknowledges that Shropshire has been rated the third worst affected county for rural crime for two consecutive years; recognises that the impacts of rural crime are felt by business and across communities from large-scale fly-tipping to theft of farm machinery, tools and livestock; and calls on the Government to recognise the serious and organised nature of rural crime and urgently to take steps to tackle crime and disorder in the countryside.

275 Duncan Scott at Scottish Swimming Awards 2024Tabled: **21/10/24** Signatories: **7**

Brian Leishman
Christine Jardine
Jim Shannon
Mary Kelly Foy
Stephen Gethins
Irene Campbell

Chris Kane

That this House congratulates Duncan Scott on being named Swimmer of the Year at the Scottish Swimming Awards 2024; notes that Scott further cemented his legacy as Scotland's most decorated Olympian with his outstanding performances at the Paris 2024 Olympic Games, where he won a gold medal in the 4x200m freestyle relay and a silver medal in the 200m medley singles event; further congratulates coaches Steven Tigg and Bradley Hay on their deserved recognition as joint recipients of the Coach of the Year award; and applauds all those involved in Scottish Swimming and the wider sporting community for their dedication and support of athletes in reaching the highest levels of achievement.

277 FareShare's 30th anniversaryTabled: **21/10/24** Signatories: **16**

Wera Hobhouse
Christine Jardine
Wendy Chamberlain
Claire Young
Ian Sollom
Jim Shannon

Mohammad Yasin

Mr Lee Dillon

That this House congratulates FareShare, the UK's leading food redistribution charity, on its 30th anniversary; applauds FareShare for redistributing the equivalent of 135 million meals last year, equating to four meals per second, to over 8,000 frontline charities and community groups in almost every constituency across the UK; recognises the charity's significant social return on investment, delivering £13 in savings for every £1 spent through benefits to individuals and the state; and urges the Government to work with the charitable food redistribution sector to implement effective measures that further reduce food waste, increase surplus food redistribution to those in need, and strengthen communities throughout the United Kingdom, as the need for such collaboration is more pressing than ever.

278 Zoe's Place and funding for children's hospicesTabled: **21/10/24** Signatories: **30**

Ian Byrne
John McDonnell
Richard Burgon
Kim Johnson
Rebecca Long Bailey
Zarah Sultana

Sorcha Eastwood

That this House notes its deep concern at the announcement that children's hospice Zoe's Place in Liverpool is at risk of imminent closure; applauds the phenomenal response to this shocking news in the city and thanks the huge charitable drive to raise £5 million by 9 November to save Zoe's Place; notes its alarm that children's hospices across the country are facing huge funding challenges; therefore calls on the Government to urgently put funding into children's hospices, allowing Zoe's Place and children's hospices across the country to continue to care for seriously ill children and their families into the future; specifically calls on the Government to maintain and increase the £25 million Children's Hospice Grant into the future and return it to being a centrally-distributed funding stream; and more broadly calls on the Government to review the funding of children's hospices to ensure all seriously ill children and their families receive high quality care when and where they need it.

279 Oscar Mayer strikesTabled: **21/10/24** Signatories: **30****Steve Witherden****Andrew Ranger****John McDonnell****Jeremy Corbyn****Richard Burgon****Jon Trickett**

Kate Osborne

Siân Berry

Brendan O'Hara

Ayoub Khan

Rebecca Long Bailey

Seamus Logan

That this House acknowledges the strike by hundreds of Oscar Mayer workers in Wrexham, protesting the company's intention to alter contracts by removing fully paid breaks, eliminating enhanced payments, and ending days off in lieu for working bank holidays, changes which could cost workers up to £3,000 annually, whilst under the threat of fire and rehire tactics; commends the efforts of Unite the Union in advocating for its members and launching a multi-million-pound legal case regarding potential breaches of the Employment Agencies Act 1973; and urges the Government to expedite the implementation of promised legislation banning fire and rehire practices.

282 Prevention of cyber-crimeTabled: **21/10/24** Signatories: **10****Christine Jardine****Wendy Chamberlain****Dr Roz Savage****Ian Sollom****Jim Shannon****Ayoub Khan**

Mr Lee Dillon

That this House acknowledges the growth of cybercrime with the advent of new technologies; recognises the need for the UK Parliament to ensure that legislation keeps pace with evolving cyber threats, including the Computer Misuse Act 1990; notes the restrictions the Act places on the work of UK cyber security professionals by prohibiting all unauthorised access to computer systems, regardless of intent or motive; believes this inadvertently criminalises essential research into cyber threats; believes that modernising the Act could enhance the UK's national security, strengthen the criminal justice system, and unlock significant benefits to the UK economy with new opportunities in the cyber security industry; and calls on the Government to introduce an amendment to the Computer Misuse Act 1990 to better protect the public from emerging threats.

283 Frozen pensions for UK citizens overseasTabled: **21/10/24** Signatories: **14****Christine Jardine****Dr Roz Savage****Ian Sollom****Jim Shannon****Claire Hanna****Ayoub Khan**

Mr Lee Dillon

That this House notes the so-called frozen pensions policy; further notes this sees British overseas state pensioners living in certain countries denied access to index-linked uprating of the UK state pension; believes the level of the UK state pension paid should not be dependent on the pensioner's country of residence in later life; acknowledges the scale of the injustice which sees 453,000 British state pensioners impacted by the policy, many of whom reside in Commonwealth countries such as Canada and Australia; notes that the cost of indexing all overseas state pensions without a retrospective uprating is estimated at approximately £50 million in the first year; calls on the Government to index all overseas state pensions equally on a going-forward basis; and further calls on the Prime Minister to meet with affected pensioner and World War Two veteran Anne Puckridge, who is planning to travel from Canada to the UK this December, requesting a meeting on behalf of all those impacted by the policy.

284 Impact of austerity on the Fire and Rescue ServiceTabled: **21/10/24** Signatories: **11****Adam Dance****Dr Roz Savage****Jim Shannon****Claire Young****Tom Morrison****Andrew George**

Mr Lee Dillon

That this House expresses deep concern over the detrimental effects of austerity on the UK's fire and rescue services, particularly in rural areas like Yeovil, where funding, training, and recruitment have been significantly impacted; acknowledges that in recent years, one in five firefighter jobs has been lost and central government funding to fire services has been slashed by 30% resulting in fire services becoming increasingly reliant on the contributions of on-call officers who juggle other occupations; notes that due to severe staff shortages, around 4,000 firefighters are now working both full-time and part-time contracts, often within the same brigade or across different services; commends the tireless work of firefighters in engaging with their communities, supporting the fire safety of homes and businesses, and responding to emergencies under increasingly difficult conditions; further acknowledges the loss of essential control staff, fire engines, pumps, and other critical equipment due to funding cuts, which

have hampered the ability of firefighters to carry out their vital roles effectively; recognises the immense pressure firefighters face in responding to the growing frequency of storms, flooding, and wildfires, challenges exacerbated by the climate emergency; underscores the essential role of a well-funded fire service in tackling these climate-related disasters, which are expected to become even more frequent; and calls on the Government to urgently provide adequate funding for fire services to rebuild staffing levels, equipment, and resources.

286 Davidson Cottage in Aberlemno

Tabled: **22/10/24** Signatories: **5**

Dave Doogan
Seamus Logan
Graham Leadbitter
Jim Shannon
Pete Wishart

That this House commends the work of the Davidson Legacy Preservation Group in highlighting the historical importance of the Davidson Cottage in Aberlemno as the ancestral home of the Davidson family, co-founders of Harley-Davidson motorcycles; notes the value of this site as a cultural and educational resource for local communities, tourists and motorcycle enthusiasts worldwide; welcomes the Group's ambition to secure the future of the Cottage as a historical site whilst providing living-history tours, educational programmes and workshops celebrating Victorian craftsmanship and culture; recognises the outstanding fundraising work of the Group undertaken so far; highlights how close they are to achieving their funding goal, having already raised over £320,000 with less than £50,000 left to raise; notes the uniqueness of the Cottage as a signature tourist attraction in Angus, Scotland; and wishes the Davidson Legacy Preservation Group every success.

289 30th anniversary of Bexley SNAP

Tabled: **22/10/24** Signatories: **3**

Daniel Francis
Jim Shannon
Mary Kelly Foy

That this House congratulates Bexley SNAP on reaching their 30th anniversary this year; notes that Bexley SNAP was founded by a group of parents in 1994 to provide activities and support to disabled children; highlights their work in offering disabled children and young people aged between 1 year to 25 years a variety of clubs to provide parents and carers support, guidance and valuable respite; thanks all staff, trustees and volunteers for their work, for supporting the community and assisting hundreds of young people and their families; and wishes them all the best for the future.

290 Forres Britain in Bloom awardTabled: **22/10/24** Signatories: **5**

Graham Leadbitter
Seamus Logan
Dave Doogan
Jim Shannon
Pete Wishart

That this House congratulates Forres for winning the gold medal at the 2024 Britain in Bloom awards; recognises the hard work and dedication of the local community in creating and maintaining a beautiful and sustainable environment; pays special tribute to volunteer Barry Ashby, whose exceptional efforts and passion earned him the Community Champion Award; and notes that the contributions of all volunteers reflects the pride people rightly take in their town.

291 World Porridge Making Championship 2024Tabled: **22/10/24** Signatories: **5**

Graham Leadbitter
Dave Doogan
Jim Shannon
Seamus Logan
Pete Wishart

That this House celebrates the success of the 2024 Golden Spurtle World Porridge Making Championship held annually in Carrbridge, Scotland; congratulates Chris Ormiston on being crowned the Golden Spurtle World Champion and Kim McGhee for winning the Speciality Dish award; acknowledges the importance of this event in promoting Scottish produce and heritage; and commends the commitment of all participants and organisers over three decades in showcasing Scotland's culinary traditions, fostering community spirit, and encouraging tourism in the region.

292 Youth hub pilot schemes in LeicesterTabled: **22/10/24** Signatories: **3**

Shockat Adam
Jim Shannon
Ayoub Khan

That this House welcomes the Government's manifesto commitment to create a Young Futures programme with a network of hubs reaching every community; notes these hubs will have youth workers, mental health support workers and careers advisers on hand to support young people;

further notes Leicester City Council has a network of adventure playgrounds that are well used by young people in the city and supported through voluntary activity of community and friends groups; recognises funding cuts to local authority budgets has put the long term future of the adventure playgrounds in doubt; believes these facilities would be suitable for Young Futures hubs; and calls on the Minister for Sport, Media, Civil Society and Youth to work with Leicester City Council, local MPs and community groups to establish a pilot scheme of Young Futures youth hubs in the city.

293 Avanti West Coast disruptions

Tabled: **22/10/24** Signatories: **3**

Tim Farron
Christine Jardine
Ayoub Khan

That this House notes the ongoing disruption of train services operated by Avanti West Coast, particularly the frequent cancellation of services on the mainline north of Preston when there is disruption on the line in Scotland, even when it would be perfectly possible to run services to stations between Preston and the Scottish border; regrets the subsequent impact on train operations in Cumbria, north Lancashire and south west Scotland; notes that these disruptions have led to significant inconvenience for commuters, tourists, students and businesses relying on reliable transport links; urges the Secretary of State for Transport to work closely with Avanti West Coast to improve service reliability in Northern England; calls for compensation for affected passengers; and believes that Avanti should lose their franchise if they do not end the practice of unnecessarily cancelling services north of Preston.

294 Outdoor education

Tabled: **22/10/24** Signatories: **8**

Tim Farron
Christine Jardine
Jim Shannon
Andrew George
Sarah Dyke
Charlotte Cane

Jess Brown-Fuller Ayoub Khan

That this House notes the profound benefits of outdoor education for children's physical, mental, and emotional well-being; highlights the value of residential outdoor learning in developing essential life skills; urges the Government to make it a statutory part of the school curriculum; calls for inclusivity, ensuring all children can access outdoor learning regardless of background; further highlights the success of centres like Outward Bound at Ullswater, the Bendrigg Trust, the Brathay Trust, and Patterdale Hall in providing an unparalleled backdrop

for educational development; and urges the Government to prioritise investment in outdoor learning for the benefit of future generations.

295 **Reductions in jobs and services at the BBC**

Tabled: **23/10/24** Signatories: **9**

Rebecca Long Bailey

Grahame Morris

John McDonnell

Kim Johnson

Andy McDonald

Claire Hanna

Mary Kelly Foy

Andrew George

That this House greatly regrets the announcement of further new cuts to news and current affairs programming, resulting in a net loss of 130 employed posts; notes that, whilst the World Service itself is a valuable international service which needs secured funding, using it to replace domestic UK BBC radio listeners' overnight news risks displacing important domestic news from the cycle for minimal savings; further notes the loss of night shifts in the London newsroom, again impacting domestic news coverage; fears the impact of the BBC's decision to cut frontline journalistic posts at a time when impartial news and information from our trusted public service broadcaster is vital; recognises that harm arising from these proposals will see a reduction in relevant, creative and accessible content offering audiences choice; further regrets the plan to axe the popular Hard Talk news interview slot; supports the calls from the National Union of Journalists that are urging the Government to commit to restore the direct financing of the vital work of the BBC World Service through the Foreign, Commonwealth, and Development Office budget; and calls on the Government to further ensure that future BBC licence fee settlements provide sufficient revenues to maintain high quality services without frequent rounds of cuts.

296 **Disarmament Week**

Tabled: **23/10/24** Signatories: **2**

Ayoub Khan

Andrew George

That this House notes the commencement of the United Nations' Disarmament Week, created to promote measures that ensure the prevention and cessation of armed conflict; expresses regret over the staggering human, social, economic, and ecological costs of armed conflict; observes the critical importance of pursuing multilateral disarmament as a means of building a safer, more secure world that will protect humanity from harm; is alarmed by the continued threat and increased proliferation of interstate conflict, which fundamentally undermines the objectives of sustained peace and development; recognises that the goal of complete disarmament is enshrined in international law and should guide the Government's security and foreign policy conduct; calls upon the Government to utilise its diplomatic influence to

achieve absolute disarmament; urges the Government to condemn all unjust acts and threats involving the use of nuclear, chemical, biological, cyber and conventional weapons; endorses the UN Secretary General's Agenda for Disarmament, which underscores the pivotal role of disarmament in advancing the UN's Sustainable Development Goals; welcomes all efforts by the Government to regulate the excessive trade of arms and limit the weaponisation of dual-use technologies, such as Artificial Intelligence; and values the necessity of preserving order and stability within the international system, such that the prosperity of future generations may be assured.

297 **United Nations Day**

Tabled: **23/10/24** Signatories: **5**

Ayoub Khan
Shockat Adam
Ellie Chowns
Iqbal Mohamed
Andrew George

That this House commemorates the 79th anniversary of the entry into force of the United Nations Charter; values the UN's role as a vanguard of the international system and a custodian of peace, justice, respect, human rights, tolerance, and solidarity; notes with appreciation the UN's role in addressing complex global issues that transcend national boundaries; welcomes ongoing Government efforts to uphold the legitimacy and efficacy of all United Nations institutions, organisations, bodies, and initiatives; endorses all endeavours to deepen the UK's participation in multilateral initiatives that ensure international peace and security, safeguard human rights, provide humanitarian aid, support sustainable development and climate action, uphold international law, and preserve democratic norms; expresses deep concern at the UN's obstructive bureaucracy and increasingly undemocratic processes, emphasising the need for urgent and extensive reform; fears the implications of escalating costs of operations and the further proliferation of international policy issues, which have placed many UN agencies on the brink of bankruptcy; urges the Government to contribute towards bridging the £4 trillion annual financing gap required to achieve the UN's Sustainable Development Goals by 2030; and hopes for swift action to restructure and adequately fund the United Nations, such that it may continue its vital work in eradicating poverty, war and injustice around the world.

298 **Grangetown Netball Club's contribution to sport and the community in Redcar and Cleveland**

Tabled: **23/10/24** Signatories: **2**

Anna Turley
Mary Kelly Foy

That this House celebrates the outstanding achievements of Grangetown Netball Club, which, since its founding 40 years ago in one of the most deprived areas of Redcar and Cleveland, has grown from strength to strength, reaching the highest level of national

netball competition in the Premier League; commends the dedication of volunteer coaches Ria Small, Faye Summerhill, and Jade Stainthorpe, who, while balancing full-time jobs and family responsibilities, have been instrumental in developing players and nurturing talent; recognises the significant impact the club has had on its members, with numerous players from disadvantaged backgrounds progressing to successful careers as doctors, teachers, and business owners; acknowledges the leadership and passion of the club's founder and first team coach, Gel Williams, who has dedicated four decades to promoting sport and community engagement in Grangetown; further pays tribute to the late Margaret Seed for her profound influence on the club's success; and praises the club for its role in fostering essential life skills and promoting community cohesion which will benefit the young people of Redcar and Cleveland far beyond sport.

299 **75th anniversary of Tayport Amateur Dramatic and Musical Society**

Tabled: **23/10/24** Signatories: **2**

Wendy Chamberlain
Dr Scott Arthur

That this House celebrates the 75th anniversary of Tayport Amateur Dramatic and Musical Society (TADMS); recognises that the existing society was founded in 1949 by two local men, Bill Wedderspoon and Harry Clark, but has roots dating back to the 1870s; congratulates TADMS on having staged 117 productions to date and providing the people of Tayport the opportunity to enjoy musical theatre locally; looks forward to more productions; and wishes TADMS all the best for the future.

301 **SEND provision at Kingsbury High**

Tabled: **23/10/24** Signatories: **2**

Dawn Butler
Mary Kelly Foy

That this House commends the extraordinary education that Kingsbury High school provides for SEND children and young people; expresses concern about young people with special educational needs and disabilities; acknowledges these children have behaviour issues and struggle to socialise; further expresses concern that SEND children struggle with reading and writing, due to dyslexia, and that their concentration levels can be impacted by attention deficit hyperactivity disorder; recognises physical disability affects their ability to take part in traditional schooling; urges the Government to ensure all schools receive increased funding to help SEND students get access to the public school system; further acknowledges that around 40% of all home educated children in UK are children with SEND; and calls on the Government to ensure they get the same exposure to education in a safe space adapted to their needs.

302 Drug deathsTabled: **23/10/24** Signatories: **6**

Grahame Morris
Mary Kelly Foy
Andrew George
Ayoub Khan
Charlotte Nichols
Steve Witherden

That this House notes with alarm data released by the Office for National Statistics on 23 October 2024 showing that a record 5,448 deaths related to drug poisoning were registered in England and Wales in 2023; further notes that the highest death rates are again in areas suffering greatest deprivation; recognises that the influx of highly potent synthetic opioids such as Nitazenes risks a rapid rise in drug deaths; and calls on the Government to tackle the crisis by committing to long-term sustainable funding for drug treatment in the autumn budget and future spring spending review, continuing to implement the recommendations of Dame Carol Black's independent review of drugs, and accelerating the availability of naloxone, the lifesaving antidote to opioid overdose.

304 New coxswains at Porthdinllaen Lifeboat StationTabled: **23/10/24** Signatories: **5**

Liz Saville Roberts
Ben Lake
Llinos Medi
Ann Davies
Seamus Logan

That this House congratulates Caryl Parry Thomas and Adam Daniel Lewis for qualifying as coxswains for the Royal National Lifeboat Institution in Porthdinllaen; notes that Caryl holds the distinction of being the first female coxswain in the station's 160-year history; acknowledges the hard work of both, who completed a simulated search for a casualty, safe passage and anchoring as part of their assessments; highlights that the Porthdinllaen Lifeboat Station is home to a Tamar class all-weather lifeboat, and its crews have been presented with five awards for gallantry; recognises the efforts of the entire team at the station; and thanks them for their invaluable work in patrolling the Llŷn Peninsula.

305 Retail movement scheme regulationsTabled: **23/10/24** Signatories: **3**

Jim Allister
Sammy Wilson
Alex Easton

That this House calls on the Government to withdraw the Windsor Framework (Retail Movement Scheme: Plant and Animal Health) Regulations 2024 (S.I., 2024, No. 853), because they use Northern Ireland's continued place in the EU Single Market, and subjection to EU law, to tie GB regulatory standards to those of the EU, thereby undermining hard won Brexit freedoms in GB, give effect to Regulation (EU) 2023/1231 through which the EU governs the movement of many goods from one part of the United Kingdom to the other through the imposition of an international border that divides the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland into two, while asserting its right to make laws the Northern Ireland side of the border in 300 areas, all in violation of the UN Declaration on Principles of International Law concerning Friendly Relations and Co-operation among States in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations, which censures any action which would dismember or impair, totally or in part, the territorial integrity or political unity of sovereign and independent States, and could be rendered null and void at any time, along with all other Northern Ireland Retail Movement Scheme legislation, not because of a decision of Parliament, but because of a decision of the EU under Article 14 of Regulation (EU) 2023/1231 which would have the effect of removing keys aspects of the Government's UK Internal Market System.

306 Kilmarnock FC prize at the 2024 Best Kept War Memorial competitionTabled: **23/10/24** Signatories: **9**

Lillian Jones
Elaine Stewart
Kirsteen Sullivan
Douglas McAllister
Katrina Murray
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That this House congratulates Kilmarnock FC on winning the Satellite Memorial with gardens prize at the 2024 Best Kept War Memorial competition; and thanks to Kilmarnock's branch of the British Royal Legion Scotland and club Ambassador Raymond Montgomerie for their contribution.

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That this House notes that Glasgow will celebrate the city's 850th birthday in 2025; recognises that this is a significant milestone for the city which will mark the anniversary of Glasgow becoming a burgh; acknowledges the preparations that are underway to mark this special year and harness the opportunities it provides; welcomes plans to develop a year-long programme of inclusive events and activities across Glasgow to mark this anniversary, delivering memorable moments for all the city's communities and enhancing Glasgow's reputation across the country and world; encourages communities, individuals and businesses across the city to take the opportunity to participate in this important year for the city, whether through organising or participating in a community event, helping to deliver a successful programme of events as a Glasgow 850 volunteer, or using the anniversary year to showcase the products and services offered by local businesses; notes that the glasgow850.com website has been launched to provide more information on the celebrations and how people can get involved; and looks forward to an anniversary year that celebrates the city's rich history and success, particularly in the last fifty years, and inspires a better, sustainable future, for the next fifty years.