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New EDMs

723 **Women's health hubs**

Tabled: **30/01/25** Signatories: **1**

Helen Maguire

That this House notes with deep concern the Government's decision to reduce women's health targets in NHS guidance, including the removal of the commitment to roll out women's health hubs across all integrated care boards; recognises that these hubs provide vital services, including faster diagnosis for conditions such as endometriosis and osteoporosis, which disproportionately impact women's quality of life; further notes that the Government's own cost-benefit analysis found that every £1 spent on these hubs generates £5 in benefits; notes that waiting times for gynaecological services remain unacceptably high, with conditions like endometriosis taking an average of 8 years and 10 months to diagnose; warns that deprioritising women's health risks worsening health inequalities; and urges the Government to reinstate the target for a nationwide rollout of women's health hubs to ensure women receive the care they deserve.

724 **Impact of Storm Herminia in Somerset and the South West**

Tabled: **30/01/25** Signatories: **1**

Adam Dance

That this House is concerned by the impact of the flash flooding caused by Storm Herminia in Somerset and the South West; notes that communities in South Petherton, Chard, and

Ilminster were some of the worst affected; thanks the Emergency Services and Somerset Council personnel for their bravery and tireless work in response to the flooding; further thanks local volunteers for their support and generosity; recognises the role of climate change in exacerbating extreme weather events and the threat this poses to communities across the South West; acknowledges that the funding and resources available to emergency services and Somerset Council remain under immense pressure; and calls on the Government to provide more funding for councils in the South West to respond to flash flooding and provide funding for flood defences into the future, to ensure communities can commit to long-term flood preparedness plans.

725 Maternity care in the UK

Tabled: **30/01/25** Signatories: **5**

Jess Brown-Fuller

Alison Bennett

Helen Morgan

Dr Danny Chambers

Adam Dance

That this House notes the devastating toll of deaths and trauma in childbirth on families across the country; further notes that the Care Quality Commission investigation of over 100 maternity units found that 65% are not sufficiently safe; notes that maternity services are afflicted by low staff morale, burnout, absenteeism, and the loss of trained staff; notes that maternity cases account for nearly 60% of the cost of NHS clinical negligence claims; regrets that many women do not automatically receive referral to mental health and other services after a miscarriage; further regrets the prevalence of inadequate equipment, inappropriate and crumbling maternity wards, and of weak management of incidents and slow triage of those in need of urgent intervention; regrets that failures identified at Shrewsbury and Telford and East Kent Hospitals are widespread and, years later, have not been adequately addressed; believes that addressing disparities in obstetric care is essential for a fair society; further believes that the UK should strive to be the safest place in the world to have a baby; calls on the Government to urgently implement the Immediate and Essential Actions in the Ockenden report; and further calls on the Government to end needless tragedy in our maternity units, and ensure that every woman who is giving birth can expect the highest standards of safety, professionalism, care and respect.

726 Martin Kennedy as NFUS President

Tabled: **30/01/25** Signatories: **1**

Seamus Logan

That this House celebrates Martin Kennedy's success in his role as President of the National Farmers' Union Scotland (NFUS); wishes him well following the end of his term as NFUS President on 7 February 2025; commends his work ethic, first becoming involved in the NFUS by representing the East Central region on the national Less Favoured Areas Committee in 2009

and working his way up to the role of President; praises the way he has successfully raised the profile of Scottish farmers and agriculture; further commends the professional way he has represented the interests of Scottish farmers to politicians in Holyrood, Westminster and on the international stage; recognises the importance of NFUS's Shelfwatch campaign which analyses the availability of Scottish agricultural produce in supermarkets; supports his backing of the Farm Safety Foundation's Yellow Wellies campaign which promotes farm safety and mental health; and sends him and his successor best wishes for the future.

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.

673 CAMRA Pub of the Year award 2024 for The Bailey Head

Tabled: **21/01/25** Signatories: **24**

Helen Morgan

Mr Angus MacDonald

Helen Maguire

Wendy Chamberlain

Vikki Slade

Steve Darling

Dr Danny Chambers

Anna Sabine

That this House congratulates the staff of The Bailey Head pub in Oswestry on their outstanding achievement of winning the prestigious CAMRA 2024 Pub of the Year competition; recognises the challenges faced by pubs in recent years due to economic pressures and changing social habits; expresses hope that this well-deserved award will bring continued success and prosperity to The Bailey Head and inspire other pubs across the UK to strive for excellence in their service to their local communities; appreciates the importance of The Bailey Head supporting local suppliers; praises the pub's dedication to providing outstanding drinks and snacks, a feeling of community within Oswestry and exceptional service; acknowledges the sense of community, effort and commitment that the team at The Bailey Head has shown in establishing a warm atmosphere for both locals and visitors; and underlines the significance of pubs as essential social centres that contribute significantly to local economies and offer a place for people to come together.

679 Furniture poverty in social housingTabled: **22/01/25** Signatories: **16****Neil Duncan-Jordan****Steve Witherden****John McDonnell****Grahame Morris****Jeremy Corbyn****Jim Shannon**

Imran Hussain

That this House recognises the problem of furniture poverty; notes that 6 million people in the UK are living without basic furniture; understands that the problem is particularly serious in the social rented sector with 2.3m social housing tenants lacking three or more essential items; acknowledges that only 2% of social housing properties are currently let as furnished or part-furnished compared to 29% in the private rented sector; believes in the importance of increasing the supply of homes for social rent but that a proportion of these homes must be offered to tenants furnished to reduce the levels of furniture poverty that exist across the UK; further believes this would help to provide stable accommodation for those fleeing domestic violence, helping to improve education outcomes for children and also helping to improve health outcomes; and calls on the Government to amend the Decent Homes Standard to ensure that at least 10% of all social homes be made available as furnished properties.

693 Mobile phone theftTabled: **24/01/25** Signatories: **30****Dawn Butler****Robin Swann****Iqbal Mohamed****Ms Diane Abbott****Sorcha Eastwood****Bell Ribeiro-Addy**

Maureen Burke

Imran Hussain

That this House notes with concern that an estimated 78,000 people had phones or bags snatched from them in Britain in the year to March 2024; further notes that this represented a 153% rise when compared to the year to March 2023; acknowledges that 70% of all thefts in London are specifically related to mobile phones; recognises concerns that it is currently too easy to re-register mobile devices to new individuals; and calls on leading phone companies to do more to work with the police to design methods to discourage phone theft.

694 Cervical Cancer Prevention Week 2025Tabled: **24/01/25** Signatories: **23****Anna Sabine****Adam Jogee****Adam Dance****Ian Roome****Wera Hobhouse****Helen Maguire**

Sorcha Eastwood

That this House commemorates Cervical Cancer Prevention Week which has just passed; celebrates the progress the UK has made in routine cervical screening, known as smear tests, for women and HPV vaccinations for young girls and boys; remains committed to increasing the uptake of cervical screening as well as HPV vaccinations across society, as 80% of people will contract a high risk HPV infection in their lifetime; and praises the work of nurses, doctors and healthcare professionals in the screening and treatment of cervical cancer as well as the work of charities such as Macmillan and Cancer Research UK in their support for patients, families and the bereaved.

702 Preventing sudden deaths from undiagnosed heart conditionsTabled: **27/01/25** Signatories: **14****Helen Maguire****Ian Roome****Jim Shannon****Jess Brown-Fuller****Sir Julian Lewis****Wera Hobhouse**

Imran Hussain

Calum Miller

That this House notes with concern that at least 12 young people die each week in the UK from undiagnosed heart conditions, often without symptoms; highlights that these conditions can often be detected through simple electrocardiogram screenings; calls for greater awareness of cardiac health in schools, universities and grassroots sports, where physical activity increases risks; and urges the Government to expand access to diagnostic checks and screenings to prevent avoidable deaths among young people.

703 RED January campaignTabled: **27/01/25** Signatories: **4**

Jim Shannon
Mr Gregory Campbell
Ayoub Khan
Wendy Chamberlain

That this House notes RED January, Rise Every Day in January, a nationwide campaign that encourages people to engage in physical activity every day in January and raises awareness about the connection between exercise and improved mental wellbeing; highlights that recent research shows a 4% decrease in adult participation in any type of activity during the winter months, resulting in a movement decline of 1.8 million participating adults; and encourages people to take part where possible and get involved for the betterment of mental and physical health.

706 Leeds railway station ticket office vacanciesTabled: **27/01/25** Signatories: **12**

Richard Burgon
Grahame Morris
Ian Lavery
Jon Trickett
Ian Byrne
Kate Osborne

Imran Hussain

Mary Kelly Foy

That this House acknowledges that Leeds is one of the UK's busiest railway stations, with nearly 25 million passengers travelling to and from the station in 2023-24; recognises the vital role that ticket offices play for passengers, including ensuring they get the best value ticket for their journey, providing high quality advice and journey planning information, and providing a full range of fares and services, many of which are not available online or via Ticket Vending Machines; further recognises that the importance of ticket offices was exemplified by the unprecedented public opposition to plans to close around 1,000 ticket offices in 2023; notes with concern reports that there are seven longstanding unfilled vacancies at the ticket office which has caused the ticket office to be understaffed, leaving around 25 shifts a week uncovered; further notes that this understaffing is having a detrimental impact on passengers and the existing staff working in the ticket office; recalls that the terms of the Memorandum of Understanding signed by the Department for Transport-managed train operators and the National Union of Rail, Maritime and Transport Workers (RMT) in November 2023 provided for any recruitment freezes to be lifted and vacancies filled; understands that Leeds station ticket office is managed by Northern Trains Ltd, which is owned by the Government; and therefore calls on the Government to ensure that all unfilled vacancies at Leeds ticket office are permanently filled as a matter of urgency.

707 The Bereavement Journey programmeTabled: **27/01/25** Signatories: **6**

Ruth Jones
Adam Jogee
Jim Shannon
Christine Jardine
Ayoub Khan
Mary Kelly Foy

That this House celebrates that The Bereavement Journey community grief support programme, produced by AtaLoss, has doubled to running in 400 locations across the country since its relaunch last year; further celebrates 30 years since its start in original form; and commends the communities running the programme as they seek to respond to the cumulative impact of bereavement on society.

708 Congratulating Kathleen Coy on 60 years of volunteering with ScoutsTabled: **28/01/25** Signatories: **3**

Dave Robertson
Jim Shannon
Mary Kelly Foy

That this House congratulates Kathleen Coy, who has stepped back after almost 60 years as a volunteer leader at the 5th Lichfield Scout group; recognises that as a cub and beaver leader Kathleen provided thousands of hours of fun for hundreds of local children; further recognises that, as a district organiser for the cubs, she shared her experience with scout groups across Lichfield district; and acknowledges that over her many decades in scouting she has inspired countless others to become leaders, with local volunteers describing her as an amazing person whose legacy will live on in the work she continues to do behind the scenes, and through the many lives she has touched.

709 Congratulating Dr Neville Brown, Britain's oldest teacherTabled: **28/01/25** Signatories: **3**

Dave Robertson
Jim Shannon
Mary Kelly Foy

That this House congratulates Dr Neville Brown, Britain's oldest teacher, on celebrating his 90th birthday, and on more than 60 years in education; the House recognises Dr Brown's achievement, as the founder of Maple Hayes Dyslexia School in Lichfield, in pioneering a morphological approach to teaching reading—that is to say, an approach that focuses on the structure and meaning of words, as opposed to phonics, which focuses on the sounds of words; recognises that Dr Brown's ground-breaking approach has helped many pupils who were

previously unable to write to achieve academic success; and amplifies his call for a review of Britain's reliance on phonics-based teaching and the need for an inclusive approach that works for all children.

710 130th anniversary of the Diglake Collier Disaster in Newcastle-under-Lyme

Tabled: **28/01/25** Signatories: **3**

Adam Jogee

Jim Shannon

Andrew Ranger

That this House marks the 130th anniversary of the Diglake Collier Disaster that took place in Bignall End, Newcastle-under-Lyme on 14 January 1895; acknowledges the memories of the 77 men and boys who lost their lives in this mining disaster; gives thanks that 161 of the 238 men and boys who were underground managed to escape with their lives; recognises that the law of 1895 prohibited all women and boys under 12 years of age from working underground hence many of the workers were local boys of 13 to 19 years of age where fathers and sons would often accompany each other on the same shift, with tragic results on 14 January 1895; notes that the then Staffordshire Sentinel inaugurated a relief fund, eventually raising £17,000 for the 37 widows and 88 bereaved children; rededicates itself to the importance of ensuring that workers can safely and securely carry out their duties now and in the future; appreciates the Revd Joy Ventom and the Church Wardens, led by Bob Alcock, at Audley Methodist Church for hosting a weekend of remembrance including on Sunday 19 January, a procession and memorial service featuring the Audley Brass Band; and, 130 years after the disaster reaffirms its duty, responsibility and privilege to remember the men and boys who died with pride, both now and for generations to come.

713 Royal Horticultural Society and A3/M25 roadworks

Tabled: **28/01/25** Signatories: **4**

Zöe Franklin

Jim Shannon

Helen Maguire

Monica Harding

That this House recognises the outstanding contribution of the Royal Horticultural Society (RHS) to horticultural education and research at Wisley Gardens in Guildford; further recognises the important contribution the garden makes in terms of community engagement and events, leisure and health and wellbeing; notes with concern the current £6 million financial loss, predicted to total £11 million by 2026, that the National Highways A3/M25 roadworks are having on the Wisley Gardens and the RHS; and calls on the Government to engage with the charity and recognising this financial impact through compensation in order to safeguard for the future the RHS and its vital work.

715 Heathrow airport third runway expansionTabled: **29/01/25** Signatories: **7****Munira Wilson****Sarah Olney****Mr Joshua Reynolds****Dr Roz Savage****Dr Al Pinkerton****Edward Morello**

Christine Jardine

That this House regrets that the Government has indicated its support for the expansion of Heathrow airport; highlights that Heathrow is the single largest polluter in the UK and that its emissions account for over half of all UK aviation emissions; further highlights that the addition of a third runway contradicts the Government's stated net zero targets; believes that economic growth should be balanced by environmental and health considerations; and urges the Government to reject proposals for a third runway at Heathrow.

717 Nuneaton and North Warwickshire tractor runTabled: **29/01/25** Signatories: **2****Jodie Gosling****Mary Kelly Foy**

That this House congratulates Sheepy Ploughing and Hedgecutting Association for their outstanding achievement in raising over £14,000 for charity through their Christmas tractor run; thanks them for their tireless efforts brightening our dark December nights; and applauds the valuable work they do in campaigning for health and wellbeing and bringing communities together.

718 Expanding airportsTabled: **29/01/25** Signatories: **2****Siân Berry****Jeremy Corbyn**

That this House considers the Government's support for the expansion of airports including Heathrow, Gatwick and Luton is in direct contradiction to advice given by the statutory Climate Change Committee (CCC); further considers that airport expansion at this scale will make meeting the UK's legally binding climate targets all but impossible; notes that these three proposed airport expansion plans alone would cancel out the carbon savings made by the Government's new Clean Power 2030 Action Plan by 2050; further notes that the Government's belief that sustainable aviation fuels and airspace modernisation can be relied upon to decarbonise aviation emissions in line with the UK's climate commitments has been widely criticised by experts as unrealistic; is concerned that despite passenger numbers being

expected to grow from 292.2 million passengers per annum in 2018, to 438 million by 2050, the Government has not brought forth proposals for aviation demand management despite the CCC's repeated recommendation; calls on the Government to urgently operationalise the commitment to include aviation emissions in the 6th Carbon Budget and commit to doing so for future carbon budgets; and further calls on the Government to update the Airports National Policy Statement in line with our climate commitments and to require planning inspectors to consider a cumulative impact assessment when considering applications by airports to expand.

720 Dinosaur trackway discovery in Ardley, Oxfordshire

Tabled: **29/01/25** Signatories: **12**

Calum Miller
Olly Glover
Layla Moran
Ian Roome
Adam Dance
Charlie Maynard

Wendy Chamberlain
Helen Maguire

Steff Aquarone
Steve Darling

Dr Roz Savage
Freddie van Mierlo

That this House commends researchers from the Universities of Oxford and Birmingham on uncovering and excavating the largest known dinosaur footprint site in the UK, traversed by some of the Middle Jurassic period's biggest dinosaurs; notes the continuity of significant palaeontological discoveries in the region, dating back to William Buckland's discoveries at Stonesfield of a *Megalosaurus* in 1824; congratulates Gary Johnson for his discovery of the footprints on this 166 million-year-old dinosaur highway, in the course of his duties on the quarry floor at Dewars Farm Quarry near Ardley in Oxfordshire; recognises the diligent work of over 100 scientists, students, and volunteers, in unearthing over 200 well-preserved dinosaur footprints, including overlapping tracks, where the three-toed print of a *Megalosaurus*, a carnivorous theropod, partially compressed the large, rounded footprint of a *Cetiosaurus*, a herbivorous sauropod; wishes the team success in preserving the trackways for future generations; and looks forward to further discoveries, and additions to the fossil record, in the course of subsequent investigations as this impressive site continues to be explored.

721 Coastal erosion in north NorfolkTabled: **29/01/25** Signatories: **6**

Steff Aquarone
Ian Roome
Adam Dance
Dr Roz Savage
Helen Maguire
Steve Darling

That this House notes with concern the erosion of the north Norfolk coastline, in Happisburgh, Trimingham and other small villages; recognises that this coastline is the fastest eroding in north-west Europe; acknowledges that these communities are at the frontline of the climate emergency; further notes that the oldest human footprints in Europe, dating from up to 950,000 years ago, were uncovered on Happisburgh beach; celebrates the work of North Norfolk District Council to support local communities through the Coastwise scheme; calls on the Government to consider extending existing erosion protections for energy infrastructure to areas where offshore wind cables make landfall; further calls on the Government to create a scheme to enable re-insurance for properties at risk of coastal erosion, similar to the FloodRe scheme; believes that farmers should be given incentives and support for land management practices which can mitigate coastal erosion; and reaffirms its support for these precious coastal communities, which must not be lost to the ever-encroaching North Sea.

722 Free-to-air television coverage of the Six NationsTabled: **29/01/25** Signatories: **12**

Max Wilkinson
Adam Dance
Wera Hobhouse
Dr Roz Savage
Helen Maguire
Calum Miller

Tom Morrison
Christine Jardine

Edward Morello
Martin Wrigley

Ian Sollom
Graham Leadbitter

That this House recognises the unique place of the Six Nations Championship within the cultural life of each of the four nations of the UK; believes that, given the special national interest, free-to-air live television coverage of the Championship must be protected; notes with grave concern recent reports that rights for live coverage of the Championship may be sold and coverage put behind a paywall; and calls for the men's and women's Six Nations to be listed as Category A listed events under the Broadcasting Act 1996.