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## Early Day Motions tabled on Monday 3 February 2025

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### New EDMs

727      **Northern Ireland Protocol**

Tabled: **3/02/25**      Signatories: **1**

#### **Alex Easton**

That this House acknowledges the ongoing harm caused by the Northern Ireland Protocol to Northern Ireland's place within the United Kingdom and its economic and trade stability; recognises the disruption caused by the Irish Sea border, which imposes unnecessary regulatory and customs barriers between Northern Ireland and Great Britain; notes with deep concern the damage inflicted on businesses across North Down, where local firms have faced increased costs, supply chain disruptions, and reduced competitiveness as a direct consequence of the Protocol; further highlights the democratic deficit created by the imposition of EU laws without consent; welcomes the Mutual Enforcement Bill introduced by the hon. Member for North Antrim as a fair and practical alternative to the Protocol; believes that mutual enforcement would remove the need for internal trade barriers while respecting both UK and EU regulations; and urges the Government to adopt this Bill as the definitive solution to restoring Northern Ireland's full and equal place within the United Kingdom, protecting businesses, and ensuring economic stability.

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**728 Renaming Heathrow Airport after Queen Elizabeth II**Tabled: **3/02/25** Signatories: **1****Adam Jogee**

That this House remembers with gratitude the 70 years of service Her late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II gave to the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth; gives thanks for her commitment and dedication over seven decades; acknowledges that Tuesday 21 April 2026 will be the 100th anniversary of Her late Majesty's birth; supports the calls of the hon. Member for Newcastle-under-Lyme to mark this anniversary by renaming Heathrow Airport after Her late Majesty as a fitting tribute to a lifetime of service; and fondly remembers the contribution to our United Kingdom made by Her late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II over 70 long and glorious years.

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**729 World Cancer Day and Leukaemia UK's Take Action, Save Lives report**Tabled: **3/02/25** Signatories: **1****Clive Jones [R]**

That this House recognises that World Cancer Day is held on 4 February; welcomes the launch of Leukaemia UK's report, Take Action, Save Lives, which highlights the need for a National Cancer Strategy with commitments to save and improve the lives of those affected by leukaemia; notes that nearly 60,000 people are affected by leukaemia in the UK, and 10,000 people are newly diagnosed every year, while it mainly affects adults, leukaemia is the most common childhood cancer; expresses concern that if no action is taken nearly 80% of those diagnosed with Acute Myeloid Leukaemia (AML) today, will not survive this Parliament; appreciates that the five-year survival rate of AML, 22%, is one of the lowest of all cancers; urges the Government to adopt the report's recommendations, including a commitment to double the 5-year survival of AML from 22% to 44%; and encourages all Members of Parliament to attend Leukaemia UK's drop-in event in Parliament on World Cancer Day.

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**730 Recognition of Mary Cobbett's outstanding community contribution**Tabled: **3/02/25** Signatories: **1****Dr Roz Savage**

That this House recognises the exceptional dedication and community spirit of Mary Cobbett, whose tireless efforts have made a profound difference to the lives of many in Cirencester; acknowledges her role as a founder of Cirencester Pantry, a cooperative initiative that not only helps families struggling with the cost-of-living crisis but also plays a crucial role in reducing food waste; commends her outstanding work in securing over £60,000 in benefits for local families this year, ensuring that those in need receive the support they are entitled to; further applauds her extensive involvement in organising community events, supporting local organisations such as Armes House, and advocating for vulnerable individuals; notes that her selfless commitment extends far beyond a single project, encompassing welfare support, social inclusion, and practical assistance for those facing hardship; and calls on this House to

recognise Mary Cobbett as a true community hero, whose dedication and compassion continue to transform lives across Cirencester.

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**731 World Cancer Day 2025**

Tabled: **3/02/25** Signatories: **1**

**Jim Shannon**

That this House notes World Cancer Day 2025, celebrated on 4 February; highlights that cancer is more than just a medical diagnosis, behind every diagnosis lies a unique human story, with the same hope but different outcomes; underlines that about one in five people develop cancer in their lifetime, and approximately one in nine men and one in 12 women die from the disease; further notes that on World Cancer Day, everyone can make a difference by sharing their stories and spreading the word; and urges Government to continue providing funding and research into further cancer study, to ensure we can live in a world where millions of cancer deaths are prevented.

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**732 MV Princess Victoria**

Tabled: **3/02/25** Signatories: **1**

**Jim Shannon**

That this House remembers the 72nd Anniversary of the sinking of the MV Princess Victoria, which went down off the County Down Coast, with the loss of 135 passengers and crew; notes that the 1950s ferry disaster was the biggest loss of life in UK waters after the second world war; highlights that the disaster happened during a gale-force wind storm, which claimed the lives of two senior Unionist figures, Northern Ireland's Deputy Prime Minister, Maynard Sinclair and North Down MP Sir Walter Smiles; underlines the lifeboats fantastic crew, that saved the lives of 33 of the 44 people rescued and that a vigil is to be held on Donaghadee Harbour to mark the occasion; and remembers the lives of those lost and that this event will never be forgotten.

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**733 Eco-Museum of Scottish Mining Landscapes**

Tabled: **3/02/25** Signatories: **1**

**Brian Leishman**

That this House recognises the cultural, historical, and environmental significance of Scotland's mining landscapes and welcomes the creation of the Eco-Museum of Scottish Mining Landscapes; commends the work of Dr Catherine Mills of the University of Stirling, in collaboration with local communities and heritage partners, in preserving and celebrating the legacy of coal mining across the Midland Coalfield, which stretches from Ayrshire to Fife; notes that this project builds on the success of the Landscape Legacies of Coal initiative, saving and expanding a collection of over 180 miles of walking routes with more than 1,000 points of interest, illustrated with historical images, maps, oral histories, poetry, song, and art;

acknowledges that coal mining once played a vital role in Scotland's economy and social fabric, employing 150,000 workers at its post-war peak, yet the rapid decline of the industry led to the erasure of much of its industrial archaeology; further recognises that, despite this loss, mining landscapes remain rich with memory, identity, and potential, serving as spaces of heritage, ecological transformation, and green energy transition; further welcomes the community-led approach of the Eco-Museum, which ensures that local voices shape the narrative of Scotland's industrial past; and calls on the Government to support the preservation and promotion of Scotland's mining landscapes through heritage funding, community engagement initiatives, and the integration of these landscapes into national education, conservation, and tourism strategies.

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734 **South Western Railway service standards and performance**

Tabled: **3/02/25** Signatories: **1**

**Luke Taylor**

That this House notes with deep concern the inadequate state of train services provided by South Western Railway, particularly affecting Worcester Park Station, but also across the broader train network; highlights the ongoing issues of frequent cancellations, delays, and short-formed trains, often leaving commuters unable to board and contributing to overcrowding; further notes the decline in service frequency, despite growing passenger demand post-pandemic; and emphasises the frustration of constituents, who are facing rising fares while enduring deteriorating service standards.

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735 **Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 (Amendment) Bill**

Tabled: **3/02/25** Signatories: **4**

**Liz Saville Roberts**

**Ben Lake**

**Llinos Medi**

**Ann Davies**

That this House condemns sexual harassment in the workplace; highlights a 2023 TUC poll that shows three in five women, 58%, have experienced sexual harassment, bullying, or verbal abuse in the workplace; argues that legislating in this space is long overdue, and is necessary to ensure staff safety in the workplace; notes that while international law recognises the right to work free from violence and harassment, the recommendations of the International Labour Organisation's Convention 190 have yet to be fully implemented in the UK; calls on the Government to give its support for the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 (Amendment) Bill, developed alongside the Suzy Lampugh Trust and Rights of Women, which would amend the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 to make gender-based violence and harassment in the workplace an enforceable health and safety measure; further argues that the UK Government's goal to halve violence against women and girls in the next decade cannot be achieved without a cross-departmental and public health approach which goes beyond a focus on criminal justice;

and implores the Government to establish a systematic, collective, and publicly enforceable approach to gender-based violence prevention by supporting this Bill.

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**736 Chants at the Aston Villa vs Glasow Celtic UEFA Champions League match**

Tabled: **3/02/25** Signatories: **1**

**Mr Gregory Campbell**

That this House notes that at the recent Aston Villa versus Glasgow Celtic UEFA Champions League match there were a number of deeply regrettable and hate-filled chants from some Celtic supporters referencing the death of the late Queen Elizabeth II, in the knowledge that her grandson the Prince of Wales, a very well-known Aston Villa fan, was in attendance; and expresses the hope that where this type of chanting occurs at games there will be outright condemnation from the clubs whose so-called fans are responsible, and steps taken to identify those responsible and the appropriate action taken to prevent any repeat.

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**737 Caton Methodist Church**

Tabled: **3/02/25** Signatories: **1**

**Lizzi Collinge**

That this House marks the closing of the Caton Methodist Church building; thanks the community for all the work undertaken out of that building; further marks the continuation of said work in their new home of the Lune Valley Methodist Hub; and recognises the work of other community organisations across Morecambe and Lunesdale constituency.

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**738 Early detection of heart valve disease**

Tabled: **3/02/25** Signatories: **1**

**Gill Furniss**

That this House recognises heart valve disease as a common, serious, but treatable condition affecting 1.5 million people over the age of 65 in the UK; notes that with early diagnosis and appropriate treatment, patients can return to a good quality of life; acknowledges the urgent need to ensure that patients diagnosed with heart valve disease have clear and timely access to care, including streamlined referral pathways within the NHS to prevent delays that could compromise outcomes and burdens the NHS; further highlights the importance of equitable access to treatment, ensuring that no one is left behind; celebrates advances in digital health, including wearable technology, AI-powered diagnostics, and telehealth, which offer transformative opportunities for early detection; and calls on the Government to champion the integration of digital stethoscopes and AI tools into routine healthcare to enable faster, more accurate diagnoses and improve outcomes for patients with heart valve disease.

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## 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.

### 660 **Support for SMEs in coastal and farming constituencies**

Tabled: **20/01/25** Signatories: **25**

**Edward Morello**

**Ian Roome**

**Helen Maguire**

**Liz Jarvis**

**Steff Aquarone**

**Ben Maguire**

Liz Saville Roberts

Ann Davies

Llinos Medi

That this House acknowledges the detrimental impact of National Insurance contribution rises and higher business rates on small and medium enterprises (SMEs), particularly in coastal and farming constituencies like West Dorset; notes that these sectors are essential for tourism and seasonal employment but are disproportionately affected by these financial pressures; calls for fundamental reform of the business rates system to support small businesses and high streets while stopping the penalisation of productive investment; and further calls on the Government to take immediate action to alleviate the financial burden on SMEs before it forces closures that will devastate local economies.

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### 661 **Wassailing in Somerset**

Tabled: **20/01/25** Signatories: **13**

**Sarah Dyke**

**Helen Maguire**

**Adam Dance**

**Jim Shannon**

**Anna Sabine**

**Wera Hobhouse**

Zöe Franklin

Charlotte Cane

Claire Young

Manuela Perteghella

Tessa Munt

That this House celebrates the tradition of wassailing, a pagan ceremony deeply rooted in Somerset's cultural heritage; notes that this Anglo-Saxon and Celtic custom involves blessing orchards to ensure a fruitful apple harvest for the year ahead; recognises that this tradition, which typically takes place on Old Twelfth Night, 17 January, involves singing, chanting, beating pots and pans and pouring cider or apple juice around the base of the largest or oldest tree in the orchard in the hope of warding off evil spirits to ensure a bountiful crop, before sharing a traditional wassail drink of cider blended with honey and spices; highlights the cultural and communal significance of wassailing in Somerset in bringing communities together; celebrates

the importance of support for traditional cider producers, using British homegrown apples to create premium natural cider, superior in quality to sugar-laden cider made with concentrate, which circumvents the governments stipulation that cider must contain a minimum of 35% juice; acknowledges that the product's ability to evade government legislation is a leading reason why so many traditional orchards have been felled; calls on the government to strengthen their support for local orchards in Somerset and across the country to secure fair prices throughout the supply chain; and recognises the need to give the Grocery Code Adjudicator more powers to protect consumers and producers from unfair prices.

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**663      Cervical Cancer Prevention Week 2025**

Tabled: **20/01/25**      Signatories: **15**

**Jim Shannon**  
**Carla Lockhart**  
**Neil Duncan-Jordan**  
**Mary Kelly Foy**  
**Helen Morgan**  
**Mr Gregory Campbell**

Tristan Osborne

That this House notes Cervical Cancer Prevention Week 2025, which takes place from 20 to 26 January; highlights that cervical screening is not easy for many, but screening is estimated to save 5,000 lives a year across the UK; underlines that this week is a chance to support and empower individuals to take control of their health, and that it is also a time to advocate for better access to resources and education around cervical health; further notes by working together as a community, people can break down stigmas, encourage conversations and make cervical cancer awareness and cancer prevention a priority; thanks the wonderful NHS for all they do to support women through cervical cancer prevention; and calls on the Government to support calls to review and lessen the age for commencement of cervical screening.

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**670      Benefits of outdoor education to children's wellbeing**

Tabled: **21/01/25**      Signatories: **35**

**Tim Farron**  
**Jess Brown-Fuller**  
**Shockat Adam**  
**Mr Angus MacDonald**  
**Helen Maguire**  
**Steve Darling**

John McDonnell

That this House recognises the significant benefits of outdoor education to children's physical, mental, and emotional wellbeing; calls on the Secretary of State for Education to undertake a review into these benefits within six months of the passing of the Children's Wellbeing Bill;

further urges the Secretary of State to publish a report on the review's findings within six months of the passing of this Act; and believes that the inclusion of outdoor education within a child's learning experience is essential for promoting resilience, physical health, and social development.

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671 **Provision of residential outdoor education for children in kinship care**

Tabled: **21/01/25** Signatories: **34**

**Tim Farron**

**Jess Brown-Fuller**

**Shockat Adam**

**Mr Angus MacDonald**

**Helen Maguire**

**Steve Darling**

John McDonnell

That this House recognises the unique challenges faced by children in kinship care and the vital role outdoor education plays in fostering self-esteem and developing essential life skills; calls on local authorities to take such steps as are reasonably practicable to ensure that children living in kinship care receive at least one residential outdoor education experience; and urges the Government to prioritise access to outdoor education opportunities for children in kinship care as part of their broader commitment to child welfare and development.

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

Tabled: **21/01/25** Signatories: **28**

**Helen Morgan**

**Mr Angus MacDonald**

**Helen Maguire**

**Wendy Chamberlain**

**Vikki Slade**

**Steve Darling**

Martin Wrigley

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.

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**675 Flood preparedness**

Tabled: **21/01/25** Signatories: **29**

**Freddie van Mierlo**  
**Edward Morello**  
**Jess Brown-Fuller**  
**Mr Angus MacDonald**  
**Helen Maguire**  
**Wendy Chamberlain**

John McDonnell

That this House is deeply concerned by the recent flooding across the UK and the devastating impact this has had on communities, businesses and transport routes; recognises the particular tragedy of instances where members of the public have lost their lives as a result of flooding and severe weather; notes its gratitude for the efforts of emergency services, utilities company staff and communities who have responded to flooded events with bravery and efficiently; understands that issues in current eligibility criteria for flooding support schemes mean that many in rural communities miss out on vital support; further notes with concern that the Flood Recovery Framework has not been activated following the devastating floods this winter despite over 1,000 homes experiencing flooding following flooding in September 2024; calls on the Government to reassess the eligibility criteria for flooding support schemes to ensure all flooded properties are supported; urges the Government to tailor the qualifying criteria for the Farming Recovery Fund to reflect the realities of flooding for rural communities and farmers and to raise the Environmental Land Management budget by £1 billion a year to recognise farmers' key role in managing flood water; further calls on the Government to commit to funding for flood defences past 2026, to allow local authorities to commit to long-term flood preparedness plans; and asks the Government to ringfence funding allocations for natural flood risk management.

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**677 Imprisonment of Alaa Abd El-Fattah (No. 2)**

Tabled: **21/01/25** Signatories: **22**

**John McDonnell**  
**Richard Burgon**  
**Ian Byrne**  
**Bell Ribeiro-Addy**  
**Apsana Begum**  
**Brian Leishman**

Liz Saville Roberts

Ann Davies

Llinos Medi

That this House expresses its concern at the continued imprisonment of British citizen Alaa Abd El-Fattah; notes that the Foreign Secretary is due to visit Egypt imminently; and urges

the Foreign Secretary to insist that the Egyptian government release Mr El-Fattah and, as a minimum, allow him to visit Mr El-Fattah.

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**679 Furniture poverty in social housing**

Tabled: **22/01/25** Signatories: **20**

**Neil Duncan-Jordan**

**Steve Witherden**

**John McDonnell**

**Grahame Morris**

**Jeremy Corbyn**

**Jim Shannon**

Chris Hinchliff

Andrew George

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.

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**681 Road safety in rural areas**

Tabled: **22/01/25** Signatories: **20**

**Edward Morello**

**Adam Jogee**

**Ian Roome**

**Jess Brown-Fuller**

**Dr Roz Savage**

**Jim Shannon**

Tristan Osborne

That this House acknowledges the persistent road safety challenges in rural areas such as West Dorset, including large potholes, poor visibility, and narrow, winding roads shared by cars, lorries, buses, cyclists, and horse riders; calls on the Government to prioritise community-based road safety improvements and implement safety measures in new road infrastructure from the outset; highlights the importance of utilising advanced safety technologies in modern vehicles

and ensuring road designs are compatible with these technologies; and urges investment in rural road networks to protect all road users and support the needs of local communities.

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**686 Rural rail services**

Tabled: **23/01/25** Signatories: **19**

**Edward Morello**

**Adam Dance**

**Dr Roz Savage**

**Jim Shannon**

**Helen Maguire**

**Rachel Gilmour**

John McDonnell

That this House acknowledges the inadequate rail services in rural areas such as those on the Salisbury to Exeter railway line, which serves West Dorset constituency; calls on the Government to act on the analysis and recommendations of the Connecting South West England Report from Greengauge 21 on much-needed electrification and the upgrade of single-line tracks with passing points to double lines to reduce delays and improve service reliability for passengers and operators; expresses concern over the lack of alignment between the timeline for the nationalisation of South Western Rail and the establishment of Great British Railways, and the risk this poses for achieving a cohesive and integrated rail strategy; further highlights the potential for missed opportunities in delivering a unified vision for the rail network, risking fragmenting the long term approach to reform the rail network; and calls for targeted investment in rural rail infrastructure to address the underrepresentation of these areas in public transport planning.

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**687 Thailand legalises same-sex marriage**

Tabled: **23/01/25** Signatories: **8**

**Brian Leishman**

**Sarah Dyke**

**Will Stone**

**Apsana Begum**

**Carla Denyer**

**Ellie Chowns**

John McDonnell

Tristan Osborne

That this House congratulates Thailand on becoming the first country in Southeast Asia to legalise same-sex marriage, a historic milestone for rights and equality in the region; celebrates the thousands of couples who have joyfully formalised their unions since the law came into effect, recognising the profound significance this holds for their rights, dignity, and equality; commends the tireless efforts of activists and progressive lawmakers whose dedication made this landmark achievement possible; notes that the new law ensures equal legal protections

for same-sex couples, including inheritance rights, adoption, and medical decision-making; recognises Thailand's leadership in fostering a more inclusive society; and encourages other nations in the region to follow this example by advancing marriage equality, affirming that love and commitment deserve recognition and protection regardless of gender or sexual orientation.

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**689 Publication of fuel court prices**

Tabled: **23/01/25** Signatories: **24**

**Martin Wrigley**  
**Adam Dance**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Helen Maguire**  
**Tom Gordon**  
**Jess Brown-Fuller**

Sammy Wilson Claire Young

That this House calls on the Government to commit to the pump watch petrol price comparison platform, as recommended by the Competition and Markets Authority.

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**690 Independent parking regulator**

Tabled: **23/01/25** Signatories: **26**

**Martin Wrigley**  
**Adam Dance**  
**Helen Maguire**  
**Jess Brown-Fuller**  
**Vikki Slade**  
**Andrew George**

Sammy Wilson Liz Saville Roberts Ann Davies  
Llinos Medi

That this House believes there needs to be a proper independent parking regulator, with appropriate powers to regulate fees, enforcement and appeals.

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**691 95th Anniversary of Young Farmers' Clubs of Ulster**Tabled: **23/01/25** Signatories: **12**

**Robin Swann [R]**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Adam Jogee**  
**Sarah Dyke**  
**Tonia Antoniazzi**  
**Mr Gregory Campbell**

Liz Saville Roberts

Ann Davies

Llinos Medi

That this House congratulates the Young Farmers Clubs of Ulster on their 95th Anniversary; acknowledges the positive contribution they have made to the rural fabric and society in Northern Ireland, educating and supporting young people from all walks of life over numerous generations; appreciates and thanks all those who have held positions within the organisation, at club, county, national, international level and staff, by shaping our industry and community leaders; and further acknowledges the key role it has had in shaping Northern Ireland's farming future.

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**693 Mobile phone theft**Tabled: **24/01/25** Signatories: **37**

**Dawn Butler**  
**Robin Swann**  
**Iqbal Mohamed**  
**Ms Diane Abbott**  
**Sorcha Eastwood**  
**Bell Ribeiro-Addy**

Sammy Wilson

Cat Eccles

Tristan Osborne

Bob Blackman

Andrew George

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.

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**694      Cervical Cancer Prevention Week 2025**Tabled: **24/01/25**      Signatories: **31****Anna Sabine****Adam Jogee****Adam Dance****Ian Roome****Wera Hobhouse****Helen Maguire**

John McDonnell

Claire Young

Sarah Dyke

Tristan Osborne

Andrew George

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.

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**699      Police officers murdered in Londonderry**Tabled: **27/01/25**      Signatories: **5****Mr Gregory Campbell****Jim Shannon****Jim Allister****Gavin Robinson****Bob Blackman**

That this House notes that on 27 January 1972 two police officers, Sergeant Peter Gilgunn and Constable David Montgomery, one a 26 year old Roman Catholic, the other a 20 year old Protestant, were murdered while on patrol in Londonderry by the IRA using a Thompson Sub Machine Gun; further notes the considerable interest by public inquiry, books, films and discussion groups in events known as Bloody Sunday in the same location three days later while ignoring these murders; and acknowledges that this year Londonderry and Strabane Council, Northern Ireland Assembly, House of Lords and House of Commons were represented at a wreath laying ceremony held to ensure that innocents murdered by terrorists are not forgotten.

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**701 Australia Day**Tabled: **27/01/25** Signatories: **5****Andrew Rosindell****Jim Shannon****Sir Julian Lewis****Tristan Osborne****Bob Blackman**

That this House joins the people of Australia in celebrating 26 January, Australia's National Day, which commemorates the anniversary of Captain Arthur Philip's unfurling of the Union Flag at Sydney Cove in 1788, and the coming into effect of the Nationality and Citizenship Act 1948 establishing Australian citizenship as a legal concept; recognises the strong historical bonds and friendship between the United Kingdom and Australia, reinforced by a shared language, cooperation through the armed forces, competitive sports, the arts, and bilateral trade and investment; further recognises the importance of the common heritage and special relationship between the peoples of both countries; and calls on the Government to continue strengthening the close political, economic, and cultural ties that bind these two great nations and Commonwealth members, who share HM King Charles III as head of state and sovereign.

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**702 Preventing sudden deaths from undiagnosed heart conditions**Tabled: **27/01/25** Signatories: **19****Helen Maguire****Ian Roome****Jim Shannon****Jess Brown-Fuller****Sir Julian Lewis****Wera Hobhouse****John McDonnell****Sarah Dyke****Andrew George**

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.

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**703 RED January campaign**Tabled: **27/01/25** Signatories: **8**

**Jim Shannon**  
**Mr Gregory Campbell**  
**Ayoub Khan**  
**Wendy Chamberlain**  
**John McDonnell**  
**Tristan Osborne**

Bob Blackman

Andrew George

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.

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**705 Snares**Tabled: **27/01/25** Signatories: **6**

**Ruth Jones**  
**Mary Kelly Foy**  
**Neil Duncan-Jordan**  
**Carla Denyer**  
**Ellie Chowns**  
**John McDonnell**

That this House welcomes the Government's commitment to ban the use of snares in England and is heartened that the governments of Wales and Scotland have already successfully implemented such a ban; notes that a 2016 motion calling for a ban on snares was passed unanimously, and further, that a 2023 parliamentary debate on snares was triggered after more than 100,000 people signed a government petition; understands that many conservation land owners, such as The Woodland Trust, RSPB and Wildlife Trusts do not use snares on welfare grounds; further notes that many organisations including the British Veterinary Association, the Scottish Animal Welfare Commission, the RSPCA, Dog's Trust, Cats Protection and Badger Trust support a ban on snares on the grounds of animal welfare; acknowledges that snares are notoriously indiscriminate, catching, injuring and killing non-target animals, such as badgers, cats, dogs and deer, as well as causing pain and suffering to wild animals; and, in light of YouGov polling in 2025 demonstrating that 71% of those who live in England believe that the use of snares should be made illegal in the country, calls on the Government to bring in a ban on the sale, possession and use of all snares without delay.

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**707 The Bereavement Journey programme**Tabled: **27/01/25** Signatories: **9**

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

John McDonnell

Tristan Osborne

Monica Harding

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.

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**709 Congratulating Dr Neville Brown, Britain's oldest teacher**Tabled: **28/01/25** Signatories: **5**

**Dave Robertson**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Mary Kelly Foy**  
**Adam Jogee**  
**Tristan Osborne**

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.

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**710 130th anniversary of the Diglake Collier Disaster in Newcastle-under-Lyme**Tabled: **28/01/25** Signatories: **5**

**Adam Jogee**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Andrew Ranger**  
**John McDonnell**  
**Jon Trickett**

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.

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**711 Compensation for Equitable Life policyholders**Tabled: **28/01/25** Signatories: **9**

**Bob Blackman**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Neil Duncan-Jordan**  
**Fabian Hamilton**  
**Ellie Chowns**  
**Ben Lake**

Liz Saville Roberts

Ann Davies

Llinos Medi

That this House notes the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman's report into Equitable Life; acknowledges its finding of a decade of maladministration by Government Departments and their regulators and its recommendation for full financial redress; further notes the then Government's acceptance of the report's findings and how much individuals lost in retirement savings because of the maladministration; supports the principle that where the state has accepted responsibility for a failure, as well as the financial losses flowing from it, full redress should be provided; notes that of the £4.1 billion losses suffered by Equitable Life policyholders only £1.5 billion was made available for compensation; expresses deep concern that an estimated £180 million of that severely limited compensation is set to be kept by the Treasury and not reach the individuals affected; and calls on the Government to ensure that the full

value of the £1.5 billion compensation announced to and authorised by Parliament is paid to policyholders, including to the most elderly and vulnerable pre-1992 with-profits annuitants who were excluded from the Equitable Life Payments Scheme on a technicality.

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**712 Hayes School outstanding Ofsted rating**

Tabled: **28/01/25** Signatories: **5**

**Steve Darling**  
**Adam Dance**  
**Martin Wrigley**  
**Helen Maguire**  
**Ian Roome**

That this House congratulates Hayes School in Paignton on achieving a fantastic result in their recent Ofsted inspection with many areas, such as education quality, student behaviour, and leadership, receiving an outstanding evaluation; recognises the hard work, dedication, and commitment of the teachers, staff, and leadership team at Hayes School, including headteacher Mark Hanbury, in providing an exceptional standard of education for their pupils; acknowledges the importance of such achievements in inspiring other schools across the Bay to strive for excellence; and wishes Hayes School continued success in the years to come.

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**713 Royal Horticultural Society and A3/M25 roadworks**

Tabled: **28/01/25** Signatories: **8**

**Zöe Franklin**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Helen Maguire**  
**Monica Harding**  
**Dr Al Pinkerton**  
**Sarah Dyke**

Mr Will Forster                      Chris Coghlan

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.

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**715 Heathrow airport third runway expansion**Tabled: **29/01/25** Signatories: **18**

**Munira Wilson**  
**Sarah Olney**  
**Mr Joshua Reynolds**  
**Dr Roz Savage**  
**Dr Al Pinkerton**  
**Edward Morello**

Tom Morrison  
Ann Davies

John McDonnell  
Llinos Medi

Liz Saville Roberts  
Bob Blackman

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.

**716 Metropolitan Police's Gangs Violence Matrix**Tabled: **29/01/25** Signatories: **13**

**Kim Johnson**  
**Mary Kelly Foy**  
**Ian Byrne**  
**Ellie Chowns**  
**Zarah Sultana**  
**Ms Diane Abbott**

Clive Lewis  
Nadia Whittome  
Apsana Begum

Jeremy Corbyn  
Imran Hussain

John McDonnell  
Ian Lavery

That this House notes the imminent deadline of 13 February 2025 for the permanent deletion of the Metropolitan Police's Gangs Violence Matrix (GVM) database following a successful legal challenge that highlighted its racist application and breaches of the European Convention on Human Rights; further notes that this database has unlawfully profiled and targeted individuals, including many who have never committed a crime, and may have been used as illegal evidence to charge or prosecute individuals using a gang narrative, including under the Joint Enterprise doctrine; expresses deep concern that the deletion of this database will destroy critical evidence needed to rectify miscarriages of justice and to ensure accountability for illegal police practices; calls on the Home Secretary to immediately intervene to delay or prevent the deletion of the database; and urges the Government to identify an independent body to safeguard the data while investigating its harmful impacts and supporting those affected to seek justice.

**717 Nuneaton and North Warwickshire tractor run**Tabled: **29/01/25** Signatories: **4**

**Jodie Gosling**  
**Mary Kelly Foy**  
**Adam Jogee**  
**Jim Shannon**

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.

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**718 Expanding airports**Tabled: **29/01/25** Signatories: **12**

**Siân Berry**  
**Jeremy Corbyn**  
**Carla Denyer**  
**Ellie Chowns**  
**Ben Lake**  
**Victoria Collins**

John McDonnell  
Liz Saville Roberts

Caroline Voaden  
Ann Davies

Brian Leishman  
Llinos Medi

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.

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**720 Dinosaur trackway discovery in Ardley, Oxfordshire**Tabled: **29/01/25** Signatories: **20**

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

Sarah Dyke  
Llinos Medi

Liz Saville Roberts  
Andrew George

Ann Davies

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.

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**721 Coastal erosion in north Norfolk**Tabled: **29/01/25** Signatories: **10**

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

John McDonnell

Sarah Dyke

That this House notes with concern the erosion of the north Norfolk coastline, in Happisburgh, Trimmingham 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.

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**722 Free-to-air television coverage of the Six Nations**

Tabled: **29/01/25** Signatories: **23**

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

Ian Roome  
Llinos Medi  
Andrew George

Sarah Dyke  
Ann Davies

Liz Saville Roberts  
Bob Blackman

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.

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**723 Women's health hubs**

Tabled: **30/01/25** Signatories: **18**

**Helen Maguire**  
**Steve Darling**  
**Luke Taylor**  
**Adam Dance**  
**Anna Sabine**  
**Jess Brown-Fuller**

Martin Wrigley  
John McDonnell  
Jim Shannon

Tom Morrison  
Sarah Dyke  
Andrew George

Claire Young  
Steff Aquarone

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.

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

Tabled: **30/01/25**      Signatories: **9**

**Adam Dance**  
**Anna Sabine**  
**Helen Maguire**  
**Edward Morello**  
**Jess Brown-Fuller**  
**Martin Wrigley**

Ian Roome

John McDonnell

Jim Shannon

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.

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**725      Maternity care in the UK**

Tabled: **30/01/25**      Signatories: **23**

**Jess Brown-Fuller**  
**Alison Bennett**  
**Helen Morgan**  
**Dr Danny Chambers**  
**Adam Dance**  
**Steve Darling**

Dr Al Pinkerton  
Ian Roome

Martin Wrigley  
Richard Foord

Edward Morello  
John McDonnell



Sarah Dyke  
Peter Lamb

Steff Aquarone

Jim Shannon

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.

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726      **Martin Kennedy as NFUS President**

Tabled: 30/01/25      Signatories: 4

**Seamus Logan**  
**Pete Wishart**  
**Dave Doogan**  
**Jim Shannon**

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.