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# Early Day Motions tabled on Thursday 6 February 2025

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## **New EDMs**

769 Heather Kent's contribution to tackling litter

Tabled: 6/02/25 Signatories: 1

#### Dr Roz Savage

That this House recognises the exceptional efforts of Heather Kent, founder of the A Bag a Day Keeps Litter Away initiative, for her tireless commitment to improving the environment through regular litter-picking and community engagement; commends her dedication to raising awareness about the importance of maintaining clean and safe public spaces; celebrates the positive impact her actions have had on the local community and beyond, inspiring others to take pride in their surroundings and contribute to a cleaner environment; and calls on the Government and local authorities to support and encourage grassroots environmental initiatives, like Heather's, which play a vital role in fostering community spirit and protecting the natural environment.

770 Recognition of Paralympian Phoebe Paterson Pine

Tabled: 6/02/25 Signatories: 1

## Dr Roz Savage

That this House recognises the remarkable achievements of Phoebe Paterson Pine, an exceptional Paralympic archer who has represented Great Britain with distinction; celebrates her gold medal victory in the Women's Individual Compound Open event at the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games, showcasing her incredible skill, dedication, and resilience; acknowledges

her role as an inspiration to athletes with disabilities and her contribution to raising the profile of Paralympic sport in the UK; commends her advocacy for greater inclusivity in sport and her efforts to encourage more people with disabilities to participate in athletic pursuits; and calls on the Government to continue supporting Paralympians like Phoebe by providing adequate funding and opportunities to ensure that British athletes can continue to excel on the world stage.

## 771 Responders to Storm Éowyn

Tabled: 6/02/25 Signatories: 1

#### Carla Lockhart

That this House expresses its deep gratitude to all those who stepped up in the aftermath of Storm Éowyn, demonstrating remarkable resilience, dedication, and community spirit; recognises the extraordinary efforts of Northern Ireland Electricity engineers, call handlers, and all utility workers who worked around the clock to restore power and assist those affected; commends the response of individuals, community groups, and businesses who provided hot meals, charging facilities, washing facilities, and warm spaces to those in need; acknowledges the emergency responders and statutory authorities for their swift action in ensuring public safety; pays tribute to the farmers who helped clear roads and supported their communities; welcomes the £1 million financial assistance package from the Minister for Communities, Gordon Lyons MLA, to aid those impacted; and thanks the UK Government for its role in securing mutual aid, ensuring that helicopters, generators, batteries, and additional engineers were swiftly deployed to support recovery efforts upon request from the NI Executive.

#### 772 Mental health in farming

Tabled: 6/02/25 Signatories: 1

## Sarah Dyke

That this House recognises the mental health crisis among the British agricultural sector; acknowledges that 95% of farmers in the UK under the age of 40 ranked poor mental health as one of the biggest hidden problems facing the industry; is concerned by RABI's findings that revealed that one-in-five respondents to their Big Farming Survey knew someone within the sector who had taken their own life; further recognises the host of challenges facing British farmers from high energy, feed and fertiliser costs to unfair trade deals that have undercut the industry; understands that climate change has increased the risks of flooding and temperature increases that reduce crop yields and disrupt growing seasons; shows regret at the Government's recent proposed changes to APR and BPR that will have a negative impact on family farms across the country that are already struggling to be profitable; commends the work of mental health charities such as the Farm Safety Foundation whose annual Mind Your Head campaign aims to raise awareness of this growing issue within farming; and calls on the Government to reverse the changes to APR, increase the farming budget by £1 billion a year and improve access to mental health services in rural areas by supporting the continued roll-out of mental health hubs.

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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.

688 Scottish Golf Awards 2025 - North East Fife finalists

Tabled: 23/01/25 Signatories: 7

Wendy Chamberlain Dr Roz Savage Jim Shannon Helen Maguire Adam Jogee Mr Angus MacDonald

**Christine Jardine** 

That this House congratulates Ian Muir, Abigail May and the Fife Golf Trust on making the finalists list for the 2025 Scottish Golf Awards; recognises Ian Muir has been nominated for Coach of the Year for his work as a performance coach at the University of St Andrews; notes Abigail May has been nominated for Female Amateur Golfer of the Year for reaching the semi-finals at the Scottish Girls' Amateur and representing Scotland with distinction at home and abroad; celebrates Fife Golf Trust, which includes Scoonie Golf Course in Leven, being nominated for the Impact and Innovation award for their 'Seven Golf Courses for Nature' project which aims to boost biodiversity and underlines the Trust's wider commitment to sustainability; wishes everyone the best of luck; and looks forward to the winners being announced on 14 March.

689 Publication of fuel court prices

Tabled: 23/01/25 Signatories: 28

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

Charlotte Cane

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.

#### 690 Independent parking regulator

Tabled: 23/01/25 Signatories: 29

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

Charlotte Cane

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

694 Cervical Cancer Prevention Week 2025

Tabled: 24/01/25 Signatories: 37

Anna Sabine Adam Jogee Adam Dance Ian Roome Wera Hobhouse Helen Maguire

Zöe Franklin

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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#### 695 Attempted removal of Ayman Odeh from the Israeli Knesset

Tabled: 24/01/25 Signatories: 10

Ayoub Khan
Chris Law
Colum Eastwood
Shockat Adam
Jeremy Corbyn
Carla Denyer

Iqbal Mohamed

That this House expresses deep concern regarding the efforts of Israeli coalition and opposition politicians to oust MK Ayman Odeh from the Knesset; joins Odeh in welcoming the Israel-Hamas ceasefire deal which enabled the exchange of Israeli and Palestinian hostages and abductees; supports the sentiment of Palestinians and Israelis being freed from the burden of occupation and building a shared future; notes that, of the 90 Palestinians hostages most recently released by Israel, 69 were women, 21 were children, and most had been held without charge or trial; acknowledges the existence of myriad political mechanisms that enable the targeting, exclusion, and marginalisation of Palestinian-Israeli members of the Knesset, including the conflation of one's support for Palestinian rights with support for terrorism or incitement to violence; further notes the similar employment of the impeachment process against MK Ofer Cassif, as a result of his signing a petition in support of the South Africa's case forwarded in the International Court of Justice, accusing Israel of committing genocide against the Palestinians in Gaza; believes in the value of maintaining a representative democracy that encompasses a broad array of political, social, and ethnic creeds; and calls on the Government to vehemently oppose any efforts by Israeli parliamentarians to further solidify an ethnocratic, apartheid state, and deny the Palestinian population's right to self-determination through the rooting out of democratically elected officials that represent their cause.

#### 702 Preventing sudden deaths from undiagnosed heart conditions

Tabled: 27/01/25 Signatories: 26

Helen Maguire
Ian Roome
Jim Shannon
Jess Brown-Fuller
Sir Julian Lewis
Wera Hobhouse

Zöe Franklin

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.

705 Snares

Tabled: 27/01/25 Signatories: 9

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

**Andrew George** 

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.

707 The Bereavement Journey programme

Tabled: 27/01/25 Signatories: 11

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

Maureen Burke

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

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the communities running the programme as they seek to respond to the cumulative impact of bereavement on society.

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# 711 Compensation for Equitable Life policyholders

Tabled: 28/01/25 Signatories: 13

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

Stephen Flynn

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 £4.1billion 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.

713 Royal Horticultural Society and A3/M25 roadworks

Tabled: **28/01/25** Signatories: **12** 

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

Andrew George Sarah Olney

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 expansion** 

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

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

Zöe Franklin

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.

#### 723 Women's health hubs

Tabled: 30/01/25 Signatories: 31

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

Pippa Heylings Zöe Franklin Charlotte Cane

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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725 Maternity care in the UK

Tabled: 30/01/25 Signatories: 35

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

Pippa Heylings Charlotte Cane

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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Martin Kennedy as NFUS President

Tabled: 30/01/25 Signatories: 6

Seamus Logan
Pete Wishart
Dave Doogan
Jim Shannon
Mr Alistair Carmichael
Brendan O'Hara

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.

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## 729 World Cancer Day and Leukaemia UK's Take Action, Save Lives report

Tabled: 3/02/25 Signatories: 38

Clive Jones [R]
Sorcha Eastwood
Helen Maguire
Steve Darling
Ian Roome
Martin Wrigley

Andrew George Pippa Heylings

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.

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

Tabled: 3/02/25 Signatories: 6

Brian Leishman
Neil Duncan-Jordan
Jim Shannon
Mary Kelly Foy
Ian Lavery
Jon Trickett

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

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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.

## 734 South Western Railway service standards and performance

Tabled: 3/02/25 Signatories: 13

Luke Taylor
Helen Maguire
Steve Darling
Martin Wrigley
Edward Morello
Neil Duncan-Jordan

Zöe Franklin

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.

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

Tabled: 3/02/25 Signatories: 7

Liz Saville Roberts

Ben Lake Llinos Medi Ann Davies Jim Shannon Ellie Chowns

Jon Trickett

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.

# 741 Marking World Cancer Day 2025

Tabled: 4/02/25 Signatories: 20

Helen Maguire Ian Roome Wera Hobhouse Steve Darling Dr Roz Savage Claire Young

Dr Al Pinkerton Pippa Heylings Zöe Franklin

That this House marks World Cancer Day on 4 February 2025 and acknowledges the profound impact cancer has on individuals, families, and friends across the UK; recognises the courage and resilience of those living with cancer and the immeasurable support provided by loved ones; further recognises those who have sadly lost their lives to cancer and the lasting impact on their families and communities; expresses gratitude to the dedicated healthcare professionals, researchers, carers and volunteers who work tirelessly in cancer diagnosis, treatment and care; commends the ongoing efforts to improve early detection, treatment

options and patient outcomes; and urges the Government to reaffirm its commitment to reducing cancer inequalities and improving support for those impacted by this disease.

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#### 743 Callum Maclean, the Falkirk Knight

Tabled: 4/02/25 Signatories: 4

Euan Stainbank Jim Shannon Mary Kelly Foy Jon Trickett

That this House commends Callum Maclean, the Falkirk Knight, for his community spirit during Storm Eowyn; recognises his efforts in donning full medieval armour to assist pedestrians in extreme weather, bringing support and light relief to Falkirk residents; welcomes his GoFundMe campaign to repair local storm damage, including replacing the Scotland flagpoles, repairing community buildings and fences, and supporting those in need with essential supplies; and applauds his dedication to helping Falkirk recover and rebuild after the storm.

#### 744 Electric vehicle charging costs

Tabled: 4/02/25 Signatories: 20

Claire Young
Wera Hobhouse
Dr Roz Savage
Adam Dance
Jess Brown-Fuller
Tom Morrison

Jamie Stone Andrew George Pippa Heylings

That this House notes the growing number of electric vehicles on UK roads; is concerned that the current charging infrastructure is inadequate; recognises that helping people transition to owning an electric vehicle supports our Net Zero ambitions; further notes that making charging facilities available is key to ensuring people can make the switch to owning an electric vehicle; recognises that those in flats and shared buildings in particular are affected by a lack of at home charging; appreciates that being unable to charge your vehicle at home leaves people reliant on public charging points; is concerned about the cost to consumers if they have to rely solely on commercial charging; and calls on the Government to do more to reduce the cost of charging and to support the rollout of electric vehicle charging points, including reviewing the current planning framework to ensure new build homes are outfitted to support at home charging.

#### 748 Police funding settlement in rural areas

Tabled: 4/02/25 Signatories: 14

Edward Morello Alison Bennett Dr Roz Savage Steve Darling Claire Young Adam Dance

Jamie Stone

That this House notes with concern the ongoing funding disparities affecting rural police forces, particularly in areas such as West Dorset; recognises that rural forces face unique challenges, including vast geographical areas to cover with fewer officers, as well as significant seasonal population increases due to tourism, which are not adequately accounted for in current funding formulas; notes that West Dorset experiences a 42% increase in population during peak seasons, placing additional pressure on already stretched police resources; further notes that the current funding deficit of £3.6 million is projected to rise to £7.3 million next year, undermining the ability of local forces to keep communities safe; is alarmed that, despite submitting evidence-backed requests for an additional £12.2 million in annual funding—primarily to recruit 250 additional officers and staff—the necessary support has not been provided; regrets that to meet budget shortfalls, the Police and Crime Commissioner has been forced to reduce Community Support Officers by 43%, freeze staff recruitment, sell off surplus vehicles and buildings, restrict overtime, and halt all non-essential spending; and calls on the Government to urgently revise the police funding formula to ensure rural forces receive a fair and sustainable settlement that reflects the true demands placed upon them.

#### 749 **Hospital maintenance**

Tabled: 4/02/25 Signatories: 27

Helen Morgan
Jess Brown-Fuller
Alison Bennett
Dr Danny Chambers
Ian Roome
Wera Hobhouse

Olly Glover

That this House notes the appalling state of repair of NHS hospitals across the country; notes that the NHS maintenance backlog has reached £13.8bn; further notes that decaying and inadequate facilities threaten the safety of patients and staff; believes it is an outrage that overcrowded hospitals must close operating theatres because they are no longer fit for use; regrets the last Conservative government's record of starved repair budgets and exploding maintenance backlogs, which made sewage leaks, cracked walls, crumbling ceilings, and sinking floors commonplace; further regrets that patients have suffered a double betrayal on

the New Hospital Programme, of broken promises under the last Conservative government and of dither and delay under this government; also regrets the cost to the NHS of papering over the cracks and keeping hospitals running past their natural lifespan; calls on the government to ensure no one is treated in broken, uncomfortable and unsafe facilities; and further calls on the government to reverse their delay and urgently deliver the new hospitals that patients have long been promised.

750 Healthcare in Winchester

Tabled: 4/02/25 Signatories: 8

Dr Danny Chambers
Dr Roz Savage
Jim Shannon
Helen Maguire
Mr Angus MacDonald
Liz Jarvis

Adam Dance Olly Glover

That this House expresses deep concern over the ongoing crisis in healthcare provision in Winchester, including the two declarations of critical incidents at Royal Hampshire County Hospital in Winchester this winter; notes with alarm that a primary cause of hospital overcrowding is the lack of social care packages available from the Conservative-run Hampshire County Council, preventing patients from being discharged and freeing up vital hospital beds; condemns the years of cuts and neglect to both health and local services by the previous government, including the repeated broken promises of delivering a new hospital in Hampshire despite the lack of available funding; is dismayed by the announcement that the New Hospitals Programme for Hampshire will be delayed by another decade until between 2037 and 2039, failing to deliver the investment urgently needed in Winchester for the provision of A&E services and building improvements; recognises the tireless efforts of healthcare professionals who continue to work under immense strain; calls on the Government to release a full impact assessment of how the delays to the New Hospital Programme will affect patients and NHS staff; and urges immediate action to provide the necessary resources to improve hospital facilities in Winchester, including more support for NHS staff, increased funding for building maintenance and more social care packages.

#### 751 Drug-resistant superbugs

Tabled: 4/02/25 Signatories: 17

Dr Danny Chambers
Ian Roome
Dr Roz Savage
Steve Darling
Adam Dance
Jess Brown-Fuller

Andrew George Ben Lake Zöe Franklin

That this House recognises the urgent and growing challenge posed by drug-resistant superbugs emerging from the conflict in Ukraine and elsewhere, which have significantly impacted patient treatment and healthcare systems across Europe; acknowledges the severity of injuries sustained in the war and the subsequent need for medical care across multiple European nations, having at times left doctors and patients with no viable antibiotic options for life- and limb-threatening infections; notes that the UK has extensive experience in tackling antimicrobial resistance and that UK scientists have demonstrated how these superbugs can affect hospitals in the UK, leading to critical disruptions in surgical theatres and high-dependency units; further notes the UK's long-standing leadership in the discovery of antibiotics, investment in research, and development of rapid, cost-effective testing to combat such infections; welcomes the signing of the 100 Year Partnership between the UK and Ukraine in January this year and the opportunity it presents to improve infection control in hospitals, and enhance access to new diagnostic tests and antibiotic treatments to combat these infections; and calls on the Government to prioritise collaboration with Ukrainian healthcare professionals and our European partners to combat the spread of drug-resistant infections, ensuring that both Ukrainian and UK hospitals are better equipped with the necessary situational awareness/knowledge, tools, expertise, and antibiotics to safeguard public health.

752 National Apprenticeships Week 2025

Tabled: 4/02/25 Signatories: 23

Ian Sollom
Ian Roome
Dr Roz Savage
Steve Darling
Claire Young
Adam Dance

Andrew George Zöe Franklin Olly Glover

That this House welcomes National Apprenticeship Week from the 10th to the 14th February 2025; celebrates the positive impact apprenticeships have on the British economy; further welcomes any events in recognition of National Apprenticeship Week 2025; and encourages more businesses to consider the benefits of taking on apprentices within the workforce.

753 LGBT+ History Month 2025

Tabled: 4/02/25 Signatories: 25

Christine Jardine
Steve Darling
Dr Roz Savage
Claire Young
Adam Dance
Jess Brown-Fuller

Pippa Heylings Richard Foord Zöe Franklin

That this House celebrates February as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) History Month 2025; recognises that this year's theme is activism and social change, highlighting the contributions of LGBT+ people who helped advance society for all; notes that LGBT+ History Month can facilitate conversations around the continuing struggle for LGBT+ rights; regrets that there are a growing number of anti-LGBT+ laws in place across the world in nations including Russia, Hungary and Uganda; acknowledges the progress made for LGBT+ rights in the UK, but regrets that many inequalities still persist; notes with concern that nearly two-thirds of LGBT+ people in the UK have experienced violence or abuse; welcomes the Government's announcement of a draft Bill to ban conversion practices; and calls on all Rt hon. and hon. Members of this House to work together to tackle discrimination and achieve equality for all LGBT+ people.

755 **EWS1 forms and market disruption** 

Tabled: 5/02/25 Signatories: 5

Dr Al Pinkerton Christine Jardine Jess Brown-Fuller Martin Wrigley Zöe Franklin

That this House expresses deep concern over the systemic failures of the EWS1 assessment process, which have left thousands of leaseholders in financial limbo; notes reports that Adam Kiziak, owner of Tri Fire Ltd, has been sanctioned for failing to hold adequate professional indemnity insurance, having undisclosed prohibitive exclusions, failing to meet professional competency standards and breaching the ethics code regarding accuracy and diligence; further notes that major lenders, including Nationwide, NatWest and HSBC, are now refusing his assessments, blocking property sales and causing financial distress; highlights the case of affected residents in Surrey Heath constituency and the broader national implications of this scandal; calls on the Government to launch an urgent fraud investigation, convene an emergency meeting with industry stakeholders to restore confidence in EWS1 assessments and commission an independent inquiry into regulatory failures; and urges immediate action to protect leaseholders from further injustice.

#### 756 Injury on Duty Award Scheme

Tabled: 5/02/25 Signatories: 5

Tom Morrison
Ellie Chowns
Adam Dance
Christine Jardine
Zöe Franklin

That this House acknowledges the inherent risks undertaken by police officers, firefighters, paramedics and other members of the emergency services in the line of duty; notes that severe injuries sustained in the line of duty can prematurely end their careers; further notes with concern that current recognition for such sacrifices is insufficient as existing gallantry awards are seldom conferred due to stringent criteria; highlights the case of Cheadle resident Jane Notley, a dedicated police officer whose legs were crushed while protecting the public, leading to her medical discharge; commends the initiative by retired Sussex Police Officer Tom Curry, who has launched a campaign seeking official recognition for officers injured on duty, as detailed by the National Association of Retired Police Officers; supports the Fire and Rescue Services Association's campaign advocating for medal recognition for all emergency service workers who are severely injured and medically retired from service; and calls on the Government to establish an official Injury on Duty Award Scheme to honour and acknowledge the sacrifices of these brave individuals.

## 757 Proposals to forcibly displace and ethnically cleanse Palestinians from Gaza

Tabled: 5/02/25 Signatories: 41

Richard Burgon Imran Hussain Apsana Begum Andy McDonald Zarah Sultana Nadia Whittome

Mary Kelly Foy Mike Amesbury Andrew George
Iqbal Mohamed Pete Wishart Manuela Perteghella

That this House rejects the proposals for Gaza by President Trump on 4 February 2025; deplores the inhumanity and illegality of any efforts to forcibly displace and ethnically cleanse Palestinians from Gaza; affirms the provisions of Article 49 of the Fourth Geneva Convention, that individual or mass forcible transfers or deportations of protected persons from occupied territory are prohibited, regardless of their motive; expresses grave concern over the risk of destabilisation not only of the recently achieved ceasefire agreement but of wider regional peace; and calls on the Government unequivocally to reject such proposals and take action to oppose any efforts to forcibly displace and ethnically cleanse Palestinians from Gaza.

757A1 [Amendment]

Tabled: 6/02/25 Signatories: 1

#### Mr Alistair Carmichael

at end add 'and urges the Government immediately to recognise Palestine as a state on the 1967 borders and accordingly to advance a two-state solution.'.

## 758 116th anniversary of the 1909 West Stanley Pit Disaster

Tabled: 5/02/25 Signatories: 10

Luke Akehurst
Mary Kelly Foy
Josh Newbury
Mrs Sharon Hodgson
Grahame Morris
Mary Glindon

Kate Osborne Sam Rushworth

Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck

Chris McDonald

That this House acknowledges that 16 February 2025 marks the 116th anniversary of the 1909 West Stanley Pit Disaster; remembers the 168 men and boys who died in the explosion and its aftermath and those who risked their lives to rescue survivors; notes that the disaster was the worst in the history of the Durham coalfield and one of the worst coal mining disasters in British history; pays tribute to the resilience, courage and spirit shown by the community of Stanley; recognises that the disaster continues to have profound importance in the local community's collective memory; and honours the tremendous sacrifices made by miners and their families.

#### 759 School absences

Tabled: 5/02/25 Signatories: 2

# Mr Lee Dillon Helen Maguire

That this House notes with concern the impact of low school attendance on pupils' futures; acknowledges the significant effect of covid-19 on overall absence rates, which have increased by 57% since 2015; further notes with alarm that 26.5% of secondary school pupils in West Berkshire were persistently absent in 2023; recognises the detrimental consequences of high absence rates on children's educational achievements and future opportunities; calls on the Government to prioritise addressing the underlying causes of poor attendance, including the role of poor mental health; and urges the Government to take action to reduce inequalities in school attendance across different socioeconomic groups.

# 760 Ambulances in Newbury

Tabled: 5/02/25 Signatories: 2

# Mr Lee Dillon Helen Morgan

That this House notes with concern the lengthy wait times for ambulances in Newbury; further notes with alarm that only 18% of calls in Hungerford and Lambourn about life-threatening conditions are responded to within eight minutes when the response target time for such calls is seven minutes; recognises the significant impact that these long wait times may have on people's health and the potential increase in avoidable fatalities; also notes that as of March 2024, 22% of ambulances were waiting outside of the Royal Berkshire Hospital for longer than 30 minutes; and calls on the Government to recognise the negative impact this is having on the country and bring forward plans to combat these long wait times.

761 A&E waiting times in Berkshire

Tabled: 5/02/25 Signatories: 4

Mr Lee Dillon Adam Dance Helen Maguire Helen Morgan

That this House notes with concern that in December 2024 2,655 people admitted to A&E in the NHS Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire Integrated Care Board were waiting over 12 hours; recognises the significant negative impact that long hospital wait times are having on people's health; further notes with alarm that in February 2024 32% of patients at the Royal Berkshire NHS Trust were waiting longer than the target time of four hours in A&E, compared to the UK average of 29%; and also notes that the Royal Berkshire Hospital will not receive its promised funding under the New Hospital Programme to carry out vital improvements until 2037.

762 The Courier Food and Drink Awards shortlist

Tabled: 5/02/25 Signatories: 5

Wendy Chamberlain Dr Roz Savage Adam Dance Helen Maguire Christine Jardine

That this House congratulates nine North East Fife businesses and chefs on being shortlisted for The Courier Food and Drink Awards in partnership with Barnetts Dundee; recognises The Boudingait in Cupar being nominated for Bar of the Year, Futtle in Anstruther and The St Andrews Brewing Company for Brewer of the Year, The Adamson in St Andrews for Chef of the

Year, Craw's Nest in Pittenweem for Community Champion, Baern in Anstruther and The Rhynd Café in Leuchars for Independent Café of the Year, and that Baern is also shortlisted for the Sustainability Award; acknowledges that Georgia Scott of the Fairmont St Andrews and Luke Atagan of Craig Millar at 16 West End in St Monans are shortlisted for Rising Star of the Year which is voted on by the public; wishes everyone the best of luck; and looks forward to the results in March.

763 **US proposals for Gaza** 

Tabled: 5/02/25 Signatories: 58

Calum Miller
Monica Harding
Helen Maguire
James MacCleary
Layla Moran
Wendy Chamberlain

Freddie van Mierlo Adam Dance Luke Taylor
Mr Angus MacDonald Claire Hanna Caroline Voaden
Andrew George Tom Gordon Sarah Green
Christine Jardine Tessa Munt Iqbal Mohamed
Susan Murray Tim Farron Ben Lake

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Pippa Heylings Jon Trickett Helen Morgan
Zöe Franklin Victoria Collins Olly Glover

Charlotte Cane

That this House believes that President Trump's proposals for Gaza are dangerously irresponsible; recognises the need to uphold the rights and security of all citizens in Israel and Palestine; notes with concern that President Trump's approach demonstrates total disregard for the rights and aspirations of the Palestinian people; acknowledges the immense suffering that Palestinians have endured for so long; warns that President Trump's statements will only deepen fear and uncertainty in Palestinians' lives; stresses the importance of maintaining the current ceasefire as a foundation for lasting peace and stability in the Middle East; calls on the UK Government to condemn President Trump's proposals as both wrong and in violation of international law; and urges the UK to take this moment to immediately recognise Palestine as a state on 1967 Lines and accordingly advance a two-state solution.

#### 764 **Waitangi Day 2025**

Tabled: 5/02/25 Signatories: 3

Andrew Rosindell Lillian Jones David Mundell

That this House joins the people of New Zealand in celebrating Waitangi Day, their National Day, on 6 February 2025, commemorating the historic signing of the Treaty of Waitangi in 1840, that established a partnership between equals for both the Maori people and representatives of the British Crown; notes the importance of maintaining strong ties between the UK and New Zealand; recognises the shared heritage, longstanding trading relationships and deeply intertwined cultural, educational and military ties between the peoples of these two great allies and Commonwealth members who share His Majesty King Charles III as Head of State and Sovereign; and urges the Government to continue to foster and strengthen the special relationship that binds these two nations together.

765 Children's Mental Health Week

Tabled: 5/02/25 Signatories: 15

Christine Jardine
Ellie Chowns
Dr Roz Savage
Adam Dance
Steff Aquarone
Ian Sollom

Helen Maguire Tom Morrison Wera Hobhouse

Andrew George Helen Morgan Ben Lake Jess Brown-Fuller Zöe Franklin Olly Glover

That this House celebrates Children's Mental Health Week 2025, running from 3 to 9 February; notes with concern that 50% of children and young people with lifetime mental health problems first experience symptoms by the age of 14; further notes that this year's theme is Know Yourself, Grow Yourself, which is aimed at encouraging children and young people to use self-awareness to understand and regulate their emotions; acknowledges the positive impact of this approach on building resilience, developing healthy relationships, and avoiding self-destructive behaviours; also notes the positive impact this support can have on young people experiencing difficult life events such as bereavement; and calls on the Government to introduce a dedicated mental health professional in every school to make this vital support more accessible to every child.

#### 766 Pathway Project 32 year anniversary

Tabled: 5/02/25 Signatories: 2

# Dave Robertson Mary Kelly Foy

That this House congratulates Pathway Project for 32 years of vital work supporting survivors of domestic and sexual abuse in Staffordshire; recognises that, in that period, Pathway Project has helped more than 25,000 people, and in the past year alone provided almost 6,000 hours of support and received 3,500 calls to its helpline; further recognises the transformational impact that Pathway Project's work can have on survivors, who have referred to the organisation as the place that gave them back their life; and hopes that the charity will continue to support all those who need its help for many years to come.

#### 767 Elliot Holmes Memorial Fund

Tabled: 5/02/25 Signatories: 2

# Dr Lauren Sullivan Mary Kelly Foy

That this House commends the invaluable work of the Elliot Holmes Memorial Fund, a Community Interest Company based in Gravesham, focused on providing direct access to mental health counselling for young people locally; notes that the Memorial Fund was set up by Kerry Holmes and her husband, Peter Scutts, after the tragic loss of her 19 year old son Elliot to suicide in 2020; recognises the Memorial Fund for their work in referring and funding 341 young people in Gravesham to counselling services since 2022, including 24 young people already referred so far in 2025; further recognises their impact in bettering access to critical mental health support for young people in Gravesham; and also recognises the need for services like those funded by the Elliot Holmes Memorial Fund across the country to provide timely, effective mental health intervention at the point of need to prevent further tragic losses of young people.

# 768 Safety regulations for large-scale battery storage facilities

Tabled: 5/02/25 Signatories: 8

Charlotte Cane [R]
Dr Roz Savage
Adam Dance
Christine Jardine
Anna Sabine
Pippa Heylings

Ian Sollom John Milne

That this House notes the increasing reliance on battery storage facilities, particularly lithiumion technologies, to support renewable energy projects and grid stability; acknowledges the concerns raised by residents and emergency services in Ely and East Cambridgeshire regarding

the safety implications of such sites; calls for such concerns to be recognised during the consideration of the planned Sunnica Energy Farm; recognises the risks posed by thermal runaway events, including fires, explosions, and the release of toxic gases; expresses alarm at the potential for soil and water contamination from firefighting runoff and chemical leaks; believes that the current regulatory framework governing battery storage safety is inadequate; calls on the Government to urgently review and update regulations to ensure robust safety standards for large-scale battery storage facilities, including clear guidance on site location, emergency response protocols, and environmental protection measures; and urges the Government to provide clarity on which department holds responsibility for these regulations, along with a timeline for their implementation, to ensure these facilities can contribute to greater renewable energy infrastructure and net zero targets while also safeguarding public safety.