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Early Day Motions tabled on Monday 12 May 2025

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New EDMs

1234 **Improving equestrian road safety awareness**

Tabled: **12/05/25** Signatories: **1**

Mr Lee Dillon

That this House acknowledges the vital role of horses in rural communities, particularly in areas such as Lambourn, known for its contributions to British horse racing; notes with deep concern that in 2024 alone, 3,100 road incidents involving horses were reported to the British Horse Society; recognises that one third of these incidents involve road rage or abuse directed at the rider; highlights the lack of public awareness around the 2022 changes to the Highway Code, including Rule 163, which advises drivers to pass horses at no more than 10mph and a minimum distance of 2 metres; commends the efforts of those taking part in the Road Safety Awareness Ride from Lambourn in memory of the two-year-old racehorse Knockalla who was killed; and calls on the Government to work with the equine sector, local authorities and road safety bodies to improve public awareness, enforce safe driving practices and protect horses and riders on UK roads.

1235 **Long Service and Good Conduct Medal for Police Community Support Officers**

Tabled: **12/05/25** Signatories: **1**

Grahame Morris

That this House recognises the vital contribution made by Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs) in communities across the UK; notes with deep appreciation the commitment and

professionalism shown by PCSOs who dedicate their careers to public service and community safety, often facing great risk; further notes with concern the current absence of a Long Service and Good Conduct Medal (LSGCM) or equivalent national recognition for PCSOs, despite their uniformed presence and frontline role in policing; acknowledges the disappointment felt by many long-serving PCSOs, including those with over 20 years' service, who remain ineligible for the honours afforded to regular police officers, special constables, firefighters, and paramedics; welcomes the ongoing review by the Home Office into the creation of a new medal for police staff; and urges the Government to move swiftly to establish a Long Service and Good Conduct Medal for PCSOs to formally recognise their years of dedicated service and invaluable contribution to safer streets and stronger communities.

1236 **Eastbourne Spring Water Festival 2025**

Tabled: **12/05/25** Signatories: **1**

Josh Babarinde

That this House celebrates the Eastbourne Spring Water Festival 2025; recognises the need to reduce use of single-use plastics and the role of the Spring Water Festival as part of this effort; further recognises the need to improve local water quality for residents, visitors and our natural environment; encourages residents to attend events and amenities on offer, including beach cleans, sea swims, paddleboarding sessions and use of the water refill stations; and congratulates Plastic Free Eastbourne Community Leader Oliver Sterno and his team of volunteers and partner organisations to bringing together the Eastbourne Spring Water Festival 2025.

1237 **Museums, libraries and community centres in Leicester and the UK**

Tabled: **12/05/25** Signatories: **1**

Shivani Raja

That this House expresses deep concern at the decision by Leicester City Council to consult on closing museums and removing local authority funding for libraries and community centres across Leicester; notes that these vital community assets provide educational, social and cultural value for residents of all ages, particularly children, pensioners and vulnerable people; further notes that many Leicester residents, including parents, students and community leaders, have gathered outside Leicester Town Hall to protest against the proposed plans; recognises that similar threats to libraries and community spaces are emerging in local authorities across the country due to budgetary pressures; believes that libraries and community centres are essential to literacy, social cohesion, digital access and community wellbeing; and calls on Leicester City Council and councils nationwide to prioritise the protection of frontline community services and to urgently review whether savings can instead be achieved through reductions in senior management and administrative costs, rather than closing museums or removing funding from vital public spaces.

1238 UK-EU SummitTabled: **12/05/25** Signatories: **5**

James MacCleary
Calum Miller
Helen Maguire
Monica Harding
Sarah Olney

That this House recognises the benefits of a comprehensive Youth Mobility Scheme between the UK and the European Union; urges the Government to adopt a more ambitious approach to negotiations, acknowledging that such a scheme would enhance cultural exchange, expand opportunities for our young people and boost our economy; calls on the Government to strengthen cooperation with the EU by securing a comprehensive Defence and Security Pact, which includes associating the UK with the European Defence Agency; and advocates for a closer trading relationship with the EU, including the negotiation of a bespoke Customs Union, to reduce trade barriers and support businesses by cutting red tape.

1239 80th anniversary of Victory in Europe Day in Newcastle-under-LymeTabled: **12/05/25** Signatories: **1****Adam Jogee**

That this House notes that the 80th anniversary of Victory in Europe Day has been marked through a host of commemorative events in Newcastle-under-Lyme including a church service at St Giles Church, the lighting of a beacon in Queens Gardens outside the headquarters of the District Borough Council, Castle House, a number of sessions and film screenings at the award winning Brampton Museum, a community party in the Westlands, commemorations at the brilliant local schools in Newcastle-under-Lyme and many important and personal reflections in the homes, gardens and lives of local people; acknowledges the remarks of His Majesty the King to the nation at 9pm on Thursday 8 May 2025; welcomes the spirit of remembrance, of community and of appreciation that brought people from right across Newcastle-under-Lyme and North Staffordshire together; gives thanks for the contribution and sacrifice of the greatest generation; and recommits itself to honouring the most important tribute to those who gave their lives, building a more tolerant, inclusive and peaceful world.

1240 Overseas-qualified dentistsTabled: **12/05/25** Signatories: **1****Dr Roz Savage**

That this House notes that around 5,000 overseas-qualified dentists are currently waiting to sit the Overseas Registration Exam (ORE) in order to practice dentistry in the UK; further notes that each application process costs individuals approximately £5,000; highlights the case of one South Cotswolds constituent who has been unable to secure an exam slot for over two years;

recognises the acute shortage of dentists, particularly in rural areas; acknowledges the serious consequences of limited access to dental care, including chronic pain and untreated infections; believes that enabling overseas-qualified dentists to practice can help relieve pressure on the existing dental workforce; and calls on the General Dental Council to re-evaluate the ORE process, expand exam capacity, and explore supervised practice pathways as a route to registration.

1241 **25th anniversary of Ballynahinch Protestant Boys Flute Band**

Tabled: **12/05/25** Signatories: **1**

Jim Shannon

That this House celebrates the 25th anniversary of Ballynahinch Protestant Boys Flute Band; notes the band's contribution to the musical culture in Northern Ireland over the last 25 years and that to this day the band still has members that have participated from their conception; highlights the diversity of the band, in that the ages of members ranges from young children of primary school age to those in their 60s; commends the band's efforts in engaging with lodges, and community groups, which instils a real feel of social cohesion; further notes the band's 25th anniversary parade which will take place on 27 June 2025 in Ballynahinch, that lies in the constituency of Strangford; and wishes all members of the band the very best for their parade and future, and that they will achieve continued success for years to come.

1242 **Future of the UK baking industry**

Tabled: **12/05/25** Signatories: **9**

Rebecca Long Bailey

John McDonnell

Grahame Morris

Andy McDonald

Ian Byrne

Kim Johnson

Ian Lavery

Apsana Begum

Richard Burgon

That this House notes with concern recent media reports that Associated British Foods, parent company of Allied Bakeries which produces Kingsmill bread, are in talks over a potential merger with Hovis, owned by Endless LLP; further notes that this comes as a response to reports of unsustainable losses in the Allied Bakeries division; is concerned that any merger on this scale may result in restructuring, rationalisation or closures that could affect the job security and livelihoods of thousands of UK workers both directly employed and in the supply chain; is further concerned about the potential implications for competition in the UK bakery sector and possible impact on future UK food security; and therefore calls on the management of both businesses to engage immediately with the Bakers, Food and Allied Workers union and other recognised

trade unions across their sites and undertake meaningful consultation prior to the agreement or implementation of any merger proposal.

1243 **Nurses Day 2025**

Tabled: **12/05/25** Signatories: **1**

Jim Shannon

That this House notes Nurse's Day 2025 on May 12 which celebrates the incredible skill and dedication of all nurses across the UK and further afield; highlights the vast variety of settings, from GP staff to hospitals and from community care staff to pharmacies; underlines that despite their invaluable work, the nursing sector faces huge challenges in terms of funding and staff shortages which must be addressed as a priority for Government; further notes the positive effects nursing care has on millions of people; and thanks all nurses and NHS staff for their invaluable contribution to healthcare across the United Kingdom.

1244 **Court transcript costs**

Tabled: **12/05/25** Signatories: **1**

Sarah Olney

That this House believes that victims of crime should be able to access a transcript of court proceedings free of charge; notes that this would improve transparency throughout the criminal justice process; regrets the extortionate costs associated with court transcript fees, noting particular instances where victims were charged up to to £22,000; acknowledges this acts as a barrier to justice; recognises that being able to review sentencing remarks helps provide victims and survivors with clarity and closure about the outcome of their case; and urges the Government to make permanent the Rape and Sexual Offences Free Sentencing Remarks Pilot Scheme and extend this to include victims of all crime.

1245 **Restructure of local government debt**

Tabled: **12/05/25** Signatories: **1**

Jon Trickett

That this House expresses deep concern that local government net debt across UK has doubled since 2010 and is spiralling out of control; notes a funding gap of £6.4 billion forming in the day-to-day council budgets in 2024-25 in comparison to 2019-20 budgets; acknowledges that councils will be confronted with the unacceptable choice of cutting services or using already worryingly declining reserves to balance their budgets without accounting for increased energy costs and inflationary pressures; recognises that over a decade of austerity has brought unnecessary Section 114 notices, which are ineffective and myopic; notes that these political decisions and Government action has encouraged risky behaviour and borrowing; further notes that councils are now laden with debt and spending a fortune on repayments; and calls on the

Government to restructure local government debt to future-proof local authorities against the need to cut jobs, pay conditions and critical public services.

1246 **Community Energy Pathways and the King's Award for Sustainable Enterprise**

Tabled: **12/05/25** Signatories: **1**

Pippa Heylings

That this House congratulates Community Energy Pathways (CEP), a not-for-profit community energy social enterprise based in Lewes, East Sussex, on being awarded the prestigious King's Award for Sustainable Enterprise; notes that this award reflects two years of rigorous due diligence by the King's Fund, acknowledging CEP's outstanding contribution to empowering communities to deliver locally-owned, low-carbon energy solutions; recognises CEP's work in supporting over 60 community energy groups across 15 counties and towns, as well as the successful securing of £1 million from UK Power Networks to expand its reach to 20,000 people and facilitate over 1,200 in-person home energy visits; commends the organisation's innovative Energy Champions programme, which creates local jobs and equips residents with the knowledge and tools to cut energy costs and carbon emissions; further notes that community energy enjoys significantly greater public support than privately-owned alternatives, as evidenced by recent polling from Common Wealth; and calls on the Government to provide greater support to the community energy sector to accelerate the just transition to a low-carbon economy, reduce household energy bills, and strengthen local resilience and ownership of the UK's energy future.

1247 **International Nurses Day 2025**

Tabled: **12/05/25** Signatories: **1**

Mary Kelly Foy

That this House recognises 12 May 2025 as International Nurses Day and pays tribute to the exceptional dedication, professionalism and expertise of nursing staff across the UK and around the world; notes that nursing is a highly skilled and safety-critical profession requiring rigorous training, advanced knowledge and continuous development; acknowledges the vital care provided by nurses in a wide range of settings, and the trust placed in them by the public during their most vulnerable moments; commends the Royal College of Nursing for its ongoing advocacy and support for nurses across the UK; and calls on the Government to work in partnership with organisations such as the RCN to ensure nursing staff are fairly rewarded, properly resourced and recognised as the essential professionals they are.

1248 Impact of the UK-US trade deal on the domestic ethanol industry and the green economyTabled: **12/05/25** Signatories: **1****Karl Turner**

That this House recognises and applauds the historic trade deal established between the UK and the US as a major achievement for the UK economy and a testament to the Government's commitment to enhancing international trade relations; acknowledges the potential boost that this agreement represents for various sectors across the nation, further solidifying the UK's standing within the global market; expresses concern, however, regarding the impact of the tariff removal on ethanol imports from the US, which allows volumes that are equivalent to the entire current UK market; believes that this adjustment poses significant challenges to local companies, whose competitiveness may be adversely affected by the influx of US ethanol, threatening jobs and growth in the UK's domestic ethanol industry; notes the importance of the green industry in Hull and East Yorkshire, which plays a crucial role in the sustainable energy landscape of the UK; and calls upon the Government to carefully consider the potential economic repercussions on local producers and ensure measures are taken to protect and nurture this vital sector of the UK economy, promoting a balanced trade approach that supports both international and domestic growth.

1249 Driving tests in HampshireTabled: **12/05/25** Signatories: **1****Liz Jarvis**

That this House notes significant backlogs in access to practical driving tests in Hampshire; recognises the impacts on young drivers and access to employment opportunities; acknowledges new measures introduced by the Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency, including the recruitment of additional examiners and the extension of the driving test cancellation period from three to ten working days; expresses concern over the growth of third-party reselling sites and reports of botting of the driving test booking system that creates major barriers for genuine learners; further notes the closure of the Forest Hills practical driving test centre in Southampton in 2022 and the reduction of capacity across the Solent region; further acknowledges the ongoing backlog and the impact that covid-19 has had on test availability; and calls on the Government to intensify efforts to reduce driving test waiting times in the Eastleigh constituency and across Hampshire.

1250 Wallace High School Senior Girls Football TeamTabled: **12/05/25** Signatories: **1****Chris Kane**

That this House congratulates Stirling's Wallace High School Senior Girls Football Team on their resounding 9-1 victory on Friday 9 May to win the Scottish Schools' Football Association

Senior Girls Shield; notes that this triumph crowns them Scottish champions for the second year in a row and highlights their exceptional dedication, skill, and teamwork; recognises that this success builds on last year's historic invincible season and reflects the sustained excellence of Wallace High's School of Sport programme, which nurtures young talent; commends the players, coaches, teachers, school staff and families whose commitment and support have made this achievement possible; and celebrates this extraordinary moment for the school and the wider Stirling community.

1251 **Support for the trans community**

Tabled: **12/05/25** Signatories: **1**

Siân Berry

That this House celebrates the contribution that the trans community, binary and nonbinary, makes to the UK; recognises that transgender transition liberates trans people to be their true selves; notes that there is no such thing as gender ideology, but that term is used to oppose acceptance of trans people in society; condemns baseless fearmongering in the media that trans people present a risk to others; further notes that the increase in anti-trans hate crime recorded in England and Wales between 2012 and 2023 was 1,426 per cent; supports inclusive language for trans and nonbinary people; and calls on the Government to perform its statutory public sector equality duty to trans people, by eliminating discrimination against them, advancing equality of opportunity for them, and fostering good relations between trans and cis people.

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.

1148 **Black Maternal Health Awareness Week 2025**

Tabled: **28/04/25** Signatories: **15**

Bell Ribeiro-Addy

Jim Shannon

Kim Johnson

Cat Eccles

Will Stone

Chris Law

Shockat Adam

That this House notes with concern that Black women in the UK are still three times more likely to die during pregnancy or childbirth, and Asian women are two times more likely; is further concerned by reports from MMBRACE UK's maternity mortality data which indicates

a statistically significant increase in the overall maternal death rate in the UK in 2020-22 and that this increase remained statistically significant when deaths due to covid-19 were excluded; acknowledges that racial disparities persist in maternity care, with ethnic minority women more likely to experience poorer health outcomes, substandard care, and higher rates of complications during pregnancy and childbirth; recognises that factors contributing to these disparities include structural racism, unconscious bias, socioeconomic inequalities, and gaps in culturally competent care; urges the NHS to ensure that all maternity services adopt targeted policies to address inequalities, including better access to interpreters, community midwives, and tailored perinatal mental health support for ethnic minority mothers; welcomes the Government's commitment to set a target to end the racial disparity in maternity care but regrets that one has not yet been set; and calls on the Government to establish a national strategy to eliminate racial disparities in maternity care, with clear accountability mechanisms and measurable targets.

1151 Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week

Tabled: **28/04/25** Signatories: **32**

Liz Jarvis

Vikki Slade

Jim Shannon

Steve Darling

Wera Hobhouse

Clive Jones

Mr Will Forster

That this House marks Multiple Sclerosis (MS) Awareness Week from 26 April to 4 May 2025; recognises the unpredictability and variable presentation of the disease in the 150,000 living with MS in the UK; notes the need to provide individualised support to manage the unique symptoms and needs of each person living with the condition; calls on the Government to ensure neurology is a priority of the NHS 10-Year Plan so that timely diagnosis and treatment can be accessible to all; acknowledges the need to empower employers to make work more inclusive and better support people with MS to stay in good-quality employment for longer; and highlights the importance of protecting PIP payments that provides vital support to help sufferers manage extra costs associated with living with the disease and accessing work.

1166 Public Hearts defibrillator campaignTabled: **29/04/25** Signatories: **18**

Max Wilkinson
Sarah Dyke
Adam Dance
Jess Brown-Fuller
Wera Hobhouse
Jim Shannon

Helen Morgan

That this House congratulates Clare Seed and everyone at the Public Hearts campaign for their work in installing 100 lifesaving defibrillator machines in Cheltenham; notes that the Public Hearts campaign is a leading example of how the charity, private and public sectors can work together on lifesaving health initiatives; applauds the campaign's efforts to raise awareness of defibrillator use; acknowledges the benefit that this will have in helping save lives and encouraging community-led health initiatives; and celebrates the role Public Hearts has already played in saving lives.

1168 Congratulating Prime Minister Mark CarneyTabled: **29/04/25** Signatories: **29**

Helen Maguire
Calum Miller
Sarah Dyke
Adam Dance
Jess Brown-Fuller
Wera Hobhouse

David Chadwick

That this House congratulates Prime Minister Mark Carney on his victory in the Canadian elections; reflects with gratitude on the deep historic and culture ties between our countries; celebrates our shared values and joint commitment to liberalism, free trade and democracy; strongly supports the strengthening of ties between the UK and Canada, including on defence and trade; further supports Prime Minister Carney's willingness to stand up for Canadian interests in the face of annexation and economic threats from US President Donald Trump; and urges the Government to adopt this same approach in its dealings with President Trump, including calling on the President to end his damaging global trade war and to recommit to support for Ukraine.

1178 Pavement parkingTabled: **30/04/25** Signatories: **8****Carla Denyer****Siân Berry****Ellie Chowns****Jim Shannon****Rachael Maskell****Vikki Slade**

Clive Jones

That this House notes that communities across the UK are negatively impacted by inconsiderate pavement parking and its knock-on effects on pavement use by wheelchair users, parents and carers with prams, and other pedestrians; further notes this is a major concern for the charity Guide Dogs who have been calling for a change in the law to tackle unsafe and antisocial pavement parking for decades as it is consistently highlighted as one of the key challenges people with sight loss face; also notes that with the exception of Scotland and London, the procedure for prohibiting this antisocial and discriminatory behaviour at specific locations is cumbersome and often relies on going through a laborious, costly and long-winded Traffic Regulation Order process; notes that a summary of responses to the Government consultation entitled Pavement parking: options for change concluded on 22 November 2020 is yet to materialise; notes local authorities need urgent clarity about how to deal with the issue on an ongoing basis; and calls on the Government to publish the outstanding summary of responses to the consultation with recommendations, a roadmap, and the necessary funding for local authorities to introduce legislation to tackle inconsiderate pavement parking across England, similar to that which is currently being implemented in Scotland and which has been in place in London since 1974.

1181 Trans+ History WeekTabled: **30/04/25** Signatories: **47****Kate Osborne****Charlotte Nichols****Nadia Whittome****Emily Thornberry****Catherine Fookes****Emily Darlington**

Kim Johnson

Lorraine Beavers

Manuela Perteghella

That this House welcomes the second annual Trans+ History Week; notes the week held from 5 to 11 May 2025 will celebrate the millenia-old history and contributions of transgender, non-binary, gender-diverse and intersex people; highlights the ongoing challenges faced by Trans+ communities that includes high rates in hate crimes and threats to their rights; encourages efforts to protect Trans+ rights as well as ensuring Trans+ histories are included in education

public life; and further welcomes Trans+ History Week efforts to ensure that all Trans+ people can thrive in a future of dignity respect and equality.

1184 Climate and Nature BillTabled: **1/05/25** Signatories: **51****Clive Lewis****Dr Roz Savage****Alex Sobel****Olivia Blake****Nadia Whittome****Dr Simon Opher**

Charlotte Cane

Cameron Thomas

Luke Taylor

That this House declared an environment and climate change emergency on 1 May 2019, recognising the urgent need for action; notes that the Second Reading debate of the Climate and Nature Bill was adjourned, but not concluded, on 24 January 2025; further notes that the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs was disappointed that the Bill did not progress; acknowledges the Government's recognition of the climate and nature crisis as our greatest, long-term, global challenge, but that climate and nature policies remain siloed; welcomes the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero's commitment to collaborate with the Bill's proponents to advance its objectives, including via legislation, alongside the Government's acceleration of four related workstreams, and an annual climate and nature statement; reaffirms the Government's obligations to limit global warming to 1.5°C under the Paris Agreement, and to halt and reverse nature loss by 2030 under the Global Biodiversity Framework; also welcomes Ministers' statements that legally-binding climate goals and nature goals provide certainty, spur investment, address market failures and deliver policy outcomes; notes with concern the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs' recognition that Britain is among the world's most nature-depleted countries, and the Prime Minister's warning that exceeding 1.5°C will expose thousands of people in the UK to flood risk, economic instability, and national security threats; and therefore urges the Government to allocate parliamentary time for further debate on the Climate and Nature Bill to address these critical challenges.

1191 Safe sleep standards in early years settingsTabled: **6/05/25** Signatories: **21**

Tom Morrison
Helen Maguire
Liz Jarvis
Jim Shannon
Adam Dance
Clive Jones

Caroline Voaden

That this House expresses its heartfelt condolences to the family of nine-month-old Genevieve (Gigi) Meehan, who tragically died in May 2022 while in the care of a nursery in Cheadle, Greater Manchester; pays tribute to her mother Katie Wheeler and father John Meehan for their courage and determination in campaigning for change to prevent further tragedies; acknowledges the vital support and expertise of the Lullaby Trust in championing safer sleep guidance; notes with serious concern the failings in nursery safety standards and oversight that led to Gigi's death, including dangerous sleep practices and a lack of proper monitoring; also notes with concern that there have been 5,795 allegations of children being harmed in nursery settings in the last five years; believes urgent reform is needed to ensure consistent, enforceable safer sleep standards across early years settings; calls on the Government and Ofsted to conduct a full review of current guidance and practice; and further calls for mandatory safer sleep training for all early years staff and inspectors, compulsory installation of CCTV in all nurseries and early years settings, routine review of CCTV footage during inspections, regular genuinely unannounced Ofsted visits where concerns have been raised, and clear, statutory guidance on safe sleep practices and products for babies under two.

1195 Better Jobs, Better Services campaignTabled: **6/05/25** Signatories: **23**

Kim Johnson
John McDonnell
Rachael Maskell
Bell Ribeiro-Addy
Apsana Begum
Grahame Morris

Shockat Adam

Olivia Blake

Charlotte Nichols

That this House notes that the Government has committed to oversee the biggest wave of insourcing for a generation; welcomes the RMT's new Better Jobs, Better Services campaign, calling for an end to outsourcing of essential rail services such as cleaning, station staffing, catering, security, infrastructure and engineering across the rail and metro networks; further notes that RMT research shows outsourcing has cost the taxpayer and farepayer £400 million annually in profits leaking out of the rail industry, the equivalent of a 3.8 per cent fare cut, while insourcing and integrating these services with the rest of the network would provide better

quality, safety and value for money; also notes concerns that outsourcing is driven by employers engaging workers on inferior terms and conditions, such as poor sick pay and pensions, and that outsourcing could be embedding systemic racism on parts of the rail network where workers are disproportionately from a BME background; is encouraged that cleaning, station, catering, infrastructure and engineering services are already provided in-house, or there are discussions to do so, on many parts of the parts of the network; and therefore calls on the Government and devolved transport authorities to extend the policy of building an integrated and publicly-owned railway network to also become a vehicle to end rail outsourcing, delivering better jobs and services.

1196 World Asthma Day 2025Tabled: **6/05/25** Signatories: **9**

Jim Shannon
Rachael Maskell
Robin Swann
Chris Kane
Ellie Chowns
Claire Young

Adam Jogee

Shockat Adam

That this House notes World Asthma Day 2025 on 6 May, and its theme, Make Inhaled Treatments Accessible for All; understands that 7.2 million people in the UK are living with asthma and that it is the most common long-term childhood health condition; regrets that, despite four people dying daily from asthma, of which the majority are preventable according to data from Asthma + Lung UK, 70% of people with asthma are not receiving all three basic elements of asthma care, including an annual review, inhaler technique check and written action plan; supports efforts to extend better care to all those living with asthma, and the implementation of new asthma guidelines from the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence, British Thoracic Society and Scottish Intercollegiate Guidelines Network; and recognises the work of charities such as Asthma + Lung UK to improve asthma prevention, diagnosis, treatment and care across the country.

1198 Household Support Fund (No. 2)Tabled: **6/05/25** Signatories: **6**

Mr Lee Dillon
Helen Maguire
Jim Shannon
Clive Jones
Sarah Dyke
Jess Brown-Fuller

That this House notes with deep concern that applications for the Household Support Fund in Newbury have increased by nearly 1,000 to 2,715 applications between April 2024 and March 2025 compared to the previous year; while welcoming the Government's allocation of over £1 million to West Berkshire Council's Household Support Fund, expresses serious concern that this funding is insufficient given the stark increase in demand; recognises the vital role of this fund in supporting vulnerable pensioners struggling with the cost of living crisis; further notes with concern that the increase in applications may be attributed to the withdrawal of winter fuel payments for pensioners; and calls on the Government to review and increase the level of support available through both the Household Support Fund and winter fuel payments to ensure adequate protection for vulnerable residents during this continuing cost of living crisis.

1199 Legal protection of the nurse job titleTabled: **6/05/25** Signatories: **29**

Dawn Butler
Paulette Hamilton
Tulip Siddiq
Mrs Sharon Hodgson
Barry Gardiner
Juliet Campbell

Sorcha Eastwood
Sadik Al-Hassan

Shokat Adam
Ian Lavery

Olivia Blake

That this House notes with concern that the job title of nurse is not currently a legally protected term, despite the high levels of public trust placed in the profession; further notes that, while the title of registered nurse is protected, the widespread and unregulated use of the term nurse by individuals without appropriate qualifications and registration on parts one and two of the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) register poses a serious risk to patient safety and undermines the integrity of the profession; recognises the findings of a Nursing Standard freedom of information request that revealed over 8,000 individuals across 93% of NHS trusts are using the title of nurse without being registered; is alarmed that individuals struck off the NMC register, including those with criminal convictions, can continue to use the title without legal consequence; acknowledges that the term nurse is protected in many other countries as a means of safeguarding the public; supports the Protect Nurse campaign backed by professional

bodies, patient safety organisations, unions and the Royal College of Nursing; believes exemptions should apply for the use of the designations such as veterinary nurse and dental nurse; and calls on the Government to support the Nurse (Use of Title) Bill in the name of the hon. Member for Brent East to include nurse as a protected professional title, thereby ensuring that only those registered on part one and two of the NMC register may legally use the term.

1202 Sewage dischargeTabled: **6/05/25** Signatories: **20**

Mr Lee Dillon
Mr Joshua Reynolds
Adam Dance
Helen Maguire
Tom Gordon
Gideon Amos

Jess Brown-Fuller

Jamie Stone

That this House notes with grave concern the 450,000 sewage discharges from storm overflows recorded in England during 2024; further notes with alarm the 512 sewage discharges into waterbodies in Newbury from just eight storm overflows, lasting 8,981 hours in total; expresses particular concern about these discharges affecting Newbury's internationally significant chalk streams, which require special environmental protection; condemns the Government's continued failure to take decisive action to stop water companies from dumping raw sewage into our rivers, lakes and seas; and calls on the Government to introduce mandatory monitoring of all sewage outlets, legally binding targets to reduce sewage discharges, and proper enforcement of existing regulations.

1205 Publication of the Police Ombudsman's Report on the Kingsmill MassacreTabled: **6/05/25** Signatories: **6**

Gavin Robinson
Carla Lockhart
Sammy Wilson
Jim Shannon
Jim Allister
Andrew Rosindell

That this House notes the publication of the Police Ombudsman for Northern Ireland's report into the Kingsmill massacre of 5 January 1976, in which ten Protestant workmen were brutally murdered by the IRA; acknowledges the courage and enduring dignity of the sole survivor, Mr Alan Black, whose testimony and persistence have been instrumental in the pursuit of justice; expresses deep concern at the findings of the report which highlight the inadequate police investigation that followed the atrocity; further recognises the Ombudsman's conclusions regarding systemic failings and lost investigative opportunities; regrets the prolonged decade

delay in the publication of the report, in part due to the withholding of vital information by the Irish Government; and calls on all relevant authorities, both in the UK and the Republic of Ireland, to cooperate fully and transparently in any ongoing or future efforts to secure accountability and justice for the victims and their families.

1206 Upholding biological sex-based protections in single-sex spaces

Tabled: **6/05/25** Signatories: **10**

Rupert Lowe
Mr Peter Bedford
Simon Hoare
Jim Shannon
Sir John Whittingdale
Sir Gavin Williamson

Andrew Rosindell

That this House notes the recent UK Supreme Court ruling in *For Women Scotland Ltd v The Scottish Ministers*, which clarified that the terms man, woman, and sex in the Equality Act 2010 refer to biological sex; recognises the significance of this clarification in ensuring the integrity of single-sex spaces and services, including but not limited to changing rooms, hospital wards, prisons, refuges, toilets, and sports; acknowledges the importance of these protections in safeguarding the dignity, privacy, and safety of women and girls; affirms that while the rights of transgender individuals must be respected, such rights should not come at the expense of compromising the rights of biological women; calls upon the Government to provide clear guidance to public bodies and service providers on the implementation of this ruling to ensure that policies reflect the legal definitions as clarified by the Supreme Court; and urges all relevant stakeholders to uphold and enforce the maintenance of single-sex spaces based on biological sex to protect the rights and well-being of women and girls across the United Kingdom.

1211 65th anniversary of Girlguiding Waringstown

Tabled: **6/05/25** Signatories: **3**

Carla Lockhart
Jim Shannon
Adam Jogee

That this House congratulates Girlguiding Waringstown on celebrating its 65th anniversary; recognises the exceptional service and commitment of its leaders, volunteers and members past and present; acknowledges the important role that Girlguiding Waringstown has played in inspiring generations of girls and young women to develop leadership skills, confidence, resilience and a sense of community responsibility; notes the organisation's long-standing contribution to the social fabric of Waringstown and the surrounding areas; commends Girlguiding's broader mission to empower young women across the United Kingdom; and

wishes Girlguiding Waringstown every success as it continues to grow, nurture talent and foster community spirit for many more years to come.

1214 **Access to NHS dentists**

Tabled: **7/05/25** Signatories: **14**

Mr Lee Dillon
Tom Gordon
Wera Hobhouse
Ian Roome
Adam Dance
Clive Jones

Jess Brown-Fuller

That this House notes with grave concern that only 30.7% of adults in West Berkshire have been seen by a dentist in the last two years, significantly below the national average of 40.3%; further notes with alarm the 7.8% decline in West Berkshire adults accessing dental services since 2015; recognises the vital role of NHS dentistry in preventative healthcare and reducing inappropriate pressure on hospital services; expresses deep concern that limited NHS dental provision in Newbury constituency, with only 17 NHS dental practices, is creating substantial barriers to access and resulting in unacceptable waiting times; and calls on the Government to implement an urgent and comprehensive NHS dental reform strategy and introducing measures to support dental practices in taking on more NHS patients.

1217 **Electoral reform**

Tabled: **7/05/25** Signatories: **29**

Sarah Olney
Tom Gordon
Wera Hobhouse
Ian Roome
Adam Dance
Clive Jones

David Chadwick

Jess Brown-Fuller

That this House believes there is urgent need for electoral reform for elections in England; further believes that the local and mayoral elections which took place across England on 1 May 2025 are the latest result to highlight the inadequacy of the current system, showing a record breaking fragmentation of the vote; notes with concern that three in five English people did not vote for the candidate who won in their local, mayoral, and parliamentary elections, of the 1,282 contested wards in last week's elections, the average two-party vote share was just 36.8% which is the lowest on record; urges the Government to bring forward legislation to reform the electoral system via proportional representation for UK general elections as well as local

elections in England; and calls on the Government to outline what plans they have to reform the electoral system to make it more representative of the British electorate and deliver fair votes.

1218 Fife Carers Centre's 30 year anniversary

Tabled: **7/05/25** Signatories: **9**

Wendy Chamberlain [R]

Clive Jones

Dr Roz Savage

Jim Shannon

Steve Darling

Sarah Dyke

Adam Jogee

That this House celebrates Fife Carers Centre's 30 year anniversary; recognises that the aim of Fife Carers Centre is to provide information and support to carers in Fife; acknowledges that the Centre was founded in June 1995 with one part-time worker with the purpose of developing recognition and support for carers within Fife; notes that the centre now have 25 staff and support around 2,500 new contacts from carers each year; and wishes Fife Carers Centre all the best for the future.

1219 Mental Health Awareness Week 2025

Tabled: **7/05/25** Signatories: **14**

Sojan Joseph

Dr Simon Opher

Jim Shannon

Colum Eastwood

Chris Kane

Ellie Chowns

Adam Jogee

Chris Webb

That this House recognises that Mental Health Awareness Week is between 12 and 19 May 2025; notes that the theme for this year is community; believes that being part of a safe, positive community is vital for our mental health and wellbeing; further believes that people thrive when they have strong connections with other people and supportive communities to remind them that they are not alone; notes with concern that while most online communities are accommodating places, 76 percent of secondary school teachers are extremely concerned about the influence of online misogyny on their schools; encourages those who do feel alone to seek out support; calls for increased support for community mental health services to ensure there is a shift in mental health care from hospitals to the local community; further recognises the important role that Mental Health Awareness Week plays in bringing attention to mental health; and pays tribute to all those working in this sector.

1220 150th anniversary of Condorrat Parish ChurchTabled: **7/05/25** Signatories: **4**

Katrina Murray
Jim Shannon
Patricia Ferguson
Adam Jogee

That this House recognises and congratulates Condorrat Parish Church on its 150th anniversary on 4 April 2025; notes that a commemorative service to celebrate this important anniversary involving the Moderator of the Church of Scotland, Reverend Doctor Shaw Paterson, took place on Sunday 6 April 2025; further notes the Parish's roots from the old village in 1872 and that through the hard work of parishioners, who were the weavers, quarrymen and miners, the congregation raised the funds required of £3,535 in 1874 to commence the building of the Church and Manse; also notes that the church hall followed in 1891; notes that the Parish has always actively supported the village of Condorrat through the war years and in times of hardship as well as in times of peace; and further notes that Condorrat Parish Church has always been at the heart of the community of Condorrat.

1221 Hon. Anthony Albanese MP, Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of AustraliaTabled: **8/05/25** Signatories: **3**

Adam Jogee
Peter Lamb
Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Hon. Anthony Albanese MP, on his historic victory and successful re-election in the Australian General Election held on Saturday 3 May 2025; notes the increase in seats in the House of Representatives and swing to the Australian Labor Party that Prime Minister Albanese secured; acknowledges the strong bonds of solidarity, comradeship and friendship between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Commonwealth of Australia; reflects that six Australian Prime Ministers were born in the UK including Billy Hughes and Tony Abbott in England, Julia Gillard in Wales, George Reid and Andrew Fisher in England and Joseph Cook in Newcastle-under-Lyme; recognises the importance of increased trade and economic security for working people in both countries; commits to working with Australia's elected representatives to help secure peace and prosperity in the Euro-Atlantic and the Indo-Pacific; and looks forward to both governments, both parliaments and both peoples working closely together in the years ahead.

1222 Speed camera guidanceTabled: **8/05/25** Signatories: **7**

Lisa Smart
Helen Maguire
Clive Jones
Mr Angus MacDonald
Tom Morrison
Sarah Dyke

Jim Shannon

That this House notes with deep concern the persistence of dangerous speeding on roads such as Strines Road in the constituency of Hazel Grove, where residents have repeatedly raised the alarm over unsafe driving conditions and the inadequacy of current enforcement mechanisms; regrets that under current guidance issued by the Department for Transport, most notably in Circular 01/2007: Using speed and red-light cameras for traffic enforcement: deployment, visibility and signing, fixed speed cameras are typically only deployed after three or more fatal or serious injury collisions have occurred; believes that this reactive approach undermines efforts to protect lives before preventable tragedies occur; supports the principle that road safety policy should be guided by clear evidence of danger, repeated community reporting, and visible patterns of high-speed driving; welcomes the Department's intention to include measures on speeding in the forthcoming Road Safety Strategy; and calls on the Government to use this opportunity to revise Circular 01/2007 to shift the focus to proactive, preventative intervention based on risk assessment and local need.

1223 Rail ticket pricesTabled: **8/05/25** Signatories: **4**

Shockat Adam
Jeremy Corbyn
Ayoub Khan
Iqbal Mohamed

That this House notes with concern the continued increase in rail ticket prices across the UK; further notes that the cost of rail travel has become unaffordable for many people, placing an unfair burden on those who rely on public transport; recognises that high rail fares risk undermining efforts to promote greener transport and reduce dependency on cars; acknowledges that not only are prices increasing, trains are also becoming more overcrowded and less frequent; believes that public transport is a vital public service and should not be run for private profit; calls on the Government to bring the railways back into public ownership to ensure fair pricing, greater investment in infrastructure and services, and to deliver a rail service that works in the public interest.

1224 Protection of free expression and resistance to blasphemy lawsTabled: **8/05/25** Signatories: **4**

Rupert Lowe
Charlie Dewhirst
Bradley Thomas
Mr Peter Bedford

That this House reaffirms its unwavering commitment to freedom of expression as a fundamental pillar of British democracy; notes with concern recent efforts, both formal and informal, to reintroduce blasphemy-style restrictions under the guise of hate crime, or public order; recalls that the UK formally abolished its blasphemy laws in 2008, recognising that in a free society, no religion or belief system, including Islam, should be immune from criticism, debate, satire or offence; and calls on the Government to issue clear guidance to police forces, public bodies and educational institutions that the United Kingdom upholds freedom of thought, speech, and expression, including the right to criticise, mock, or reject religious ideas, and that it will not tolerate any drift, intentional or otherwise, toward the reintroduction of blasphemy laws in any form whatsoever.

1225 Peace Child International time capsule in PerthTabled: **8/05/25** Signatories: **3**

Stephen Gethins
Jim Shannon
Pete Wishart

That this House celebrates the unveiling of the Peace Child time capsule in Perth, 34 years after it was buried by 60 young people from Perth Youth Theatre and 60 young people from around the world; notes that the time capsule is filled with notes of how young people in 1991 hoped to see the world in 2025; acknowledges that this programme promoted peace and unity and has remained a memorable experience for all who participated; and recognises that Peace Child International continues to empower young people globally through their education and training programmes.

1226 UK role in peace and stability in Bosnia and HerzegovinaTabled: **8/05/25** Signatories: **16****James MacCleary****Helen Maguire****Wera Hobhouse****Tom Morrison****Rachel Gilmour****Adam Dance**

David Chadwick

Mr Will Forster

Sarah Dyke

Jim Shannon

Jess Brown-Fuller

That this House notes with deep concern the ongoing threats to peace and stability in Bosnia and Herzegovina, particularly the actions of Milorad Dodik in rejecting the authority of the international peace envoy and undermining the Dayton Agreement; recalls the consistent warnings of the late Lord Ashdown, former High Representative for Bosnia and Herzegovina, about the fragility of peace in the region; further notes with regret the UK Government's 2020 decision to withdraw British troops from the EUFOR Althea peacekeeping mission, which sent the wrong signal about the UK's commitment to the region; and calls on the Government to urgently reconsider its position, recommit to EUFOR and work in close coordination with international partners to strengthen regional stability and prevent further deterioration of the situation in the Western Balkans.

1228 National Operating Department Practitioner DayTabled: **8/05/25** Signatories: **4****Cat Eccles****Adam Jogee****Neil Duncan-Jordan****Jim Shannon**

That this House recognises and celebrates National Operating Department Practitioners (ODP) Day on 14 May, which highlights the vital role ODPs play in the delivery of safe, effective and compassionate care in our hospitals and surgical theatres across the United Kingdom; commends the dedication, skill and professionalism of ODPs who work tirelessly as key members of multidisciplinary surgical teams, often behind the scenes, ensuring the highest standards of patient care before, during and after operations; further welcomes efforts to raise awareness of the ODP profession among the public and prospective healthcare workers, particularly through outreach and education on National ODP Day; and calls on the Government to support and invest in the ODP workforce through education, career progression opportunities and public recognition of their essential contribution to the NHS.

1230 Gaza occupation proposalsTabled: **8/05/25** Signatories: **46**

Calum Miller
Helen Maguire
Munira Wilson
Wendy Chamberlain
Dr Danny Chambers
Anna Sabine

Monica Harding
Sarah Dyke
Jess Brown-Fuller

Ian Roome
Gideon Amos
Victoria Collins

David Chadwick
Luke Taylor

That this House expresses its outrage at proposals by the Israeli Government to indefinitely occupy Gaza; condemns the plans for the further forced displacement of Palestinians; affirms its belief that, if realised, these would constitute clear breaches of international law; notes with immense concern that these proposals will only make it more difficult to ensure the remaining Israeli hostages in Hamas' captivity will return to Israel safely; believes that these measures will not bring more long-term security to Israel; urges the Government to commit to banning the export of all UK arms to Israel to ensure no UK weapons can be used to perpetrate human rights abuses in the Occupied Palestinian Territories; further urges the Government to sanction the extremist Ministers Ben-Gvir and Smotrich, who actively promote expansion into the Occupied Palestinian Territories; and calls on the Government immediately to recognise the state of Palestine, as a way of giving hope to millions of Palestinians and affirming their right to self-determination.

1231 Commemorating VE Day in Glasgow West constituencyTabled: **8/05/25** Signatories: **4**

Patricia Ferguson
Jim Shannon
Adam Jogee
Andrew Rosindell

That this House recognises the VE day commemoration to be held at the Knightswood War Memorial in Glasgow West constituency on Saturday 10 May; notes that 2025 is the 80th anniversary of VE day; congratulates Terrence McCourt who was instrumental in the establishment of the War Memorial, which has become a focal point for local events; thanks the Glasgow and West of Scotland Branch of the Parachute regiment for organising the event, which will feature the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders Balaclava Pipe Band; further notes that the event will include a service and wreath laying; and acknowledges with thanks all those from the communities of Glasgow West who served in World War II, their families, and communities for their contribution to securing peace in Europe.

1232 Clackmannanshire and Stirling Community Link Workers national awardTabled: **8/05/25** Signatories: **3**

Chris Kane
Jim Shannon
Adam Jogee

That this House congratulates the Clackmannanshire and Stirling Community Link Worker (CLW) team on winning the prestigious Community Link Worker Team of the Year award at the Voluntary Health Scotland annual conference in Glasgow on 7 May 2025; recognises the outstanding contribution of the team, hosted by Clackmannanshire Third Sector Interface and Stirlingshire Voluntary Enterprise, in providing vital person-centred support to people experiencing mild to moderate mental health challenges, including depression, anxiety, social isolation, and financial pressures; commends the team for their collaborative work across two local authority areas and their strong connections with 198 groups and organisations offering specialist support; acknowledges the support of the Clackmannanshire and Stirling Health and Social Care Partnership and NHS Forth Valley; notes the important role CLWs play in reducing pressure on GP practices and improving wellbeing in local communities; and sends best wishes to the team as they continue their invaluable work across the region.

1233 Deaf Awareness Week 2025Tabled: **8/05/25** Signatories: **25**

Tom Gordon
Helen Maguire
Wendy Chamberlain
Wera Hobhouse
Rachel Gilmour
Adam Dance

Adam Jogee
 Sarah Dyke
 Jamie Stone

Ian Roome
 Jess Brown-Fuller

David Chadwick
 Mr Will Forster

That this House recognises the importance of, and celebrates, Deaf Awareness Week 2025; acknowledges this year's theme, Beyond Silence; congratulates organisations such as the British Deaf Association, the Royal National Institute for Deaf People, and the National Deaf Children's Society for the vital work they do in supporting deaf people, their families, and the wider deaf community; commends local councils, including North Yorkshire Council, for openly supporting Deaf Awareness Week; encourages local authorities, businesses, and other organisations to continue improving their information and support for the deaf community; celebrates the diverse ways in which deaf people communicate and the richness of Deaf culture; and further recognises the importance of breaking down barriers to full accessibility for individuals with hearing loss, as well as those with other physical and mental disabilities.