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Early Day Motions tabled on Friday 16 May 2025

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New EDMs

1275 **Dementia Action Week**

Tabled: **16/05/25** Signatories: **1**

Mr Lee Dillon

That this House recognises the profound impact of dementia on both those living with the condition and their loved ones; commends the work of the Alzheimer's Society in establishing Dementia Action Week to encourage people experiencing signs of dementia to seek vital help and support; applauds the initiatives of Thatcham Town Council, specifically their participation in the Paint the Town Blue campaign led by Dementia Friendly West Berkshire; and calls on the Government to significantly improve dementia care provision, with particular emphasis on enabling people to receive high-quality care in their own homes where appropriate and desired.

1276 **Rail services between Rose Hill Marple and Manchester Piccadilly**

Tabled: **16/05/25** Signatories: **1**

Lisa Smart

That this House notes with concern that passenger numbers on the Rose Hill Marple to Manchester Piccadilly railway line remain around half of pre-pandemic levels; further notes that the service has been left with an infrequent timetable with uneven gaps which is unsuitable for commuters, such as students at Marple Hall School; notes that the final service from Manchester Piccadilly is at 9.21pm, meaning that the service cannot be used by those enjoying a night out in the city centre, and that there is no Sunday service on the line; and calls on the Government to work with Northern and Transport for Greater Manchester to ensure that the line

returns to two services per hour in each direction and extend services to later in the evening and on Sundays.

1277 **All-Party Parliamentary Group on Afrikan Reparations report**

Tabled: **16/05/25** Signatories: **1**

Bell Ribeiro-Addy

That this House notes the publication of the Laying Ancestors to Rest report by the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Afrikan Reparations, which highlights the impact of the continued retention, display, and sale of African ancestral remains in UK institutions and private collections; recognises the cultural, spiritual, and ethical significance of these remains to descendant communities and the ongoing distress caused by their continued possession outside their places of origin; expresses concern over reports that African ancestral remains continue to be sold on online marketplaces and through private collectors with insufficient legal oversight; calls on the Government to implement the report's recommendations, including to amend legislation to ban the sale and public display of human remains, introduce a clear, transparent process for the repatriation of African ancestral remains, and fund provenance research to identify the origins of remains in UK institutions; further calls on the Government to facilitate discussions with descendant communities on the creation of memorials or reburial sites for unidentifiable remains; urges museums, universities, and other institutions to adopt ethical policies on the storage, display, and restitution of African ancestral remains, in consultation with affected communities; and supports greater international cooperation to address the colonial legacy of human remains retention and ensure that affected communities are at the centre of decision-making processes regarding their ancestors.

1278 **International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia and Transphobia**

Tabled: **16/05/25** Signatories: **1**

Christine Jardine

That this House recognises 17 May as the International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia; further recognises the concern and fear that many LGBTQ+ people have felt in recent years, particularly in the trans community, despite the progress made in securing rights and protections for LGBTQ+ people in law; notes with deep concern that two-thirds of LGBTQ+ people report that they have experienced anti-LGBTQ+ violence or abuse, and the number of hate crimes recorded against trans people have more than doubled in the last five years; urges the Government to implement a clear plan to tackle anti-LGBTQ+ hate crime, including ensuring that hate crimes against LGBTQ+ people are counted as aggravated offences; and calls on the Government to tackle discrimination against LGBTQ+ in housing, employment, education; and to stand up for LGBTQ+ rights across the world.

1279 Digital-only immigration statusTabled: **16/05/25** Signatories: **1****Pete Wishart**

That this House expresses serious concern about the implementation of the digital-only immigration status, which was first rolled out in 2018 for those with status under the EU Settlement Scheme and by the end of 2024 had been extended to all migrants with an immigration status in the UK; notes that this system fails to provide individuals with secure, tangible, offline and independently accessible proof of status; recognises that the View and Prove process (requiring repeated access to a GOV.UK platform, two-factor authentication, and generation of share codes) is cumbersome, fragmented and unfit for purpose, presenting serious accessibility barriers for digitally excluded and vulnerable individuals; is deeply concerned about reports of alarming failures of data integrity, including corrupted records displaying incorrect photographs, biodata, or status; further notes that at critical moments poor internet connectivity also renders people unable to prove their status; stresses the significant consequences for people in those situations, including denial of job opportunities, housing, education, and healthcare, with people also often left stranded at borders at the point of travel; is alarmed by the potential parallels with the Windrush scandal; and calls on the Government to launch an independent review of the Home Office's implementation of the digital-only immigration status in consultation with impacted communities, considering secure alternatives and compensation for individuals who have incurred losses due to the system's failures.

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.

1191 Safe sleep standards in early years settingsTabled: **6/05/25** Signatories: **27****Tom Morrison****Helen Maguire****Liz Jarvis****Jim Shannon****Adam Dance****Clive Jones**

Charlotte Cane

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.

1198 **Household Support Fund (No. 2)**

Tabled: **6/05/25** Signatories: **7**

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

Charlotte Cane

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.

1202 Sewage dischargeTabled: **6/05/25** Signatories: **24****Mr Lee Dillon****Mr Joshua Reynolds****Adam Dance****Helen Maguire****Tom Gordon****Gideon Amos**

Charlotte Cane

Martin Wrigley

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.

1209 Torquay United Football ClubTabled: **6/05/25** Signatories: **8****Steve Darling****Helen Maguire****Jim Shannon****Clive Jones****Dr Roz Savage****Sarah Dyke**

Martin Wrigley

That this House applauds Torquay United Football Club for its outstanding performance during the National League South 2024/25 season, securing a place in the play-offs and demonstrating remarkable resilience and determination; commends their achievements throughout the season, which stand as a testament to their skill, commitment, and passion for the game; further commends The Bryn Consortium, including co-chairmen Mark Bowes-Cavanagh and Michael Westcott, for their exceptional dedication and investment in transforming the club's fortunes, ensuring a strong and promising future for Torquay United and its devoted supporters; and recognises the vital role of football in fostering local pride, unity, and community engagement in Torbay and beyond, celebrating the impact of sport in bringing people together and inspiring future generations.

1214 Access to NHS dentistsTabled: **7/05/25** Signatories: **17**

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

Charlotte Cane

Martin Wrigley

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.

1215 Wemyss Ware Pottery 40th anniversaryTabled: **7/05/25** Signatories: **6**

Wendy Chamberlain
Dr Roz Savage
Jim Shannon
Sarah Dyke
Mr Angus MacDonald
Charlotte Cane

That this House congratulates Wemyss Ware Pottery on their 40th anniversary later this month; notes that Wemyss Ware is a highly collectable and sought-after pottery, with famous collectors including Elton John and King Charles; further notes that the pottery includes a range of hand painted pottery cats, pigs, other animals, decorative tableware, tiles and limited edition collections; celebrates that the pottery has been produced by Griselda Hill at her Pottery in Ceres since 1985; and acknowledges that the site is a four-star visitor attraction with a visitor centre where guests can see first-hand her talented team at work.

1217 Electoral reformTabled: **7/05/25** Signatories: **39**

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

Mr Joshua Reynolds

Charlotte Cane

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.

1219 Mental Health Awareness Week 2025Tabled: **7/05/25** Signatories: **19**

Sojan Joseph
Dr Simon Opher
Jim Shannon
Colum Eastwood
Chris Kane
Ellie Chowns

Christine Jardine

Lauren Edwards

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.

1222 Speed camera guidanceTabled: **8/05/25** Signatories: **9**

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

Charlotte Cane

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.

1226 UK role in peace and stability in Bosnia and HerzegovinaTabled: **8/05/25** Signatories: **20**

James MacCleary
Helen Maguire
Wera Hobhouse
Tom Morrison
Rachel Gilmour
Adam Dance

Charlotte Cane

Martin Wrigley

Sarah Gibson

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 Day**

Tabled: **8/05/25** Signatories: **8**

Cat Eccles
Adam Jogee
Neil Duncan-Jordan
Jim Shannon
Mary Kelly Foy
Sadik Al-Hassan

Sonia Kumar

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 proposals**

Tabled: **8/05/25** Signatories: **57**

Calum Miller
Monica Harding
James MacCleary
Helen Maguire
Tom Morrison
Munira Wilson

Charlotte Cane

Martin Wrigley

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.

1233 Deaf Awareness Week 2025Tabled: **8/05/25** Signatories: **36**

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

Charlotte Cane Martin Wrigley

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.

1234 Improving equestrian road safety awarenessTabled: **12/05/25** Signatories: **26**

Mr Lee Dillon
Clive Jones
Helen Maguire
Tom Gordon
Adam Dance
Richard Foord

Charlotte Cane Lisa Smart Sarah Gibson

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.

1238 **UK-EU Summit**

Tabled: **12/05/25** Signatories: **34**

James MacCleary
Calum Miller
Helen Maguire
Monica Harding
Sarah Olney
Wera Hobhouse

Jess Brown-Fuller

Charlotte Cane

Sarah Gibson

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.

1240 **Overseas-qualified dentists**

Tabled: **12/05/25** Signatories: **18**

Dr Roz Savage
Wera Hobhouse
Clive Jones
Adam Dance
Wendy Chamberlain
Tom Gordon

Jess Brown-Fuller
Sarah Gibson

Charlotte Cane

Lisa Smart

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.

1243 Nurses Day 2025Tabled: **12/05/25** Signatories: **10**

Jim Shannon
Claire Young
Mr Gregory Campbell
Andrew George
Tristan Osborne
Ellie Chowns

Ben Lake

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 costsTabled: **12/05/25** Signatories: **25**

Sarah Olney
Wera Hobhouse
Clive Jones
Mr Joshua Reynolds
Tom Gordon
Helen Maguire

Charlotte Cane

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.

1246 Community Energy Pathways and the King's Award for Sustainable EnterpriseTabled: **12/05/25** Signatories: **18**

Pippa Heylings
Wera Hobhouse
Clive Jones
Helen Maguire
Victoria Collins
Edward Morello

Jess Brown-Fuller

Charlotte Cane

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.

1251 Support for the trans communityTabled: **12/05/25** Signatories: **19**

Siân Berry
Kate Osborne
Claire Young
Carla Denyer
Bell Ribeiro-Addy
Kim Johnson

Nadia Whittome

Christine Jardine

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.

1254 **Service with the British Commanders'-in-Chief Mission to the Soviet Forces in Germany, 1946-1990**

Tabled: **13/05/25** Signatories: **6**

Ben Obese-Jecty
Andrew Rosindell
Jim Shannon
Mr Paul Foster
Sir Iain Duncan Smith
Will Stone

That this House recognises the courage, service and commitment of the service personnel who served in the British Commanders'-in-Chief Mission to the Soviet Forces in Germany (BRIXMIS) in East Germany during the Cold War; further recognises the high risk involved in the conduct of the intelligence collection patrols campaign against Warsaw-Pact forces, unarmed, without protective equipment or communications devices; highlights the vital value of the raw, actionable intelligence gathered; also recognises that the East German secret police and military forces were directed to kill or injure members of the Allied Military Liaison Missions, British (BRIXMIS), United States (USMLM) and French (FMLM) military personnel; notes that the duration of the operation which spanned from September 1946 to October 1990 saw the award of 58 OBE, MBE and BEM awards and honours, but leaves around 900 former service personnel with no formal recognition of their endeavour; highlights that there is a precedent for the award of a clasp to the General Service Medal for non-kinetic operations; and recommends that there should be an award of a BRIXMIS clasp for the General Service Medal, with all those who served during the campaign eligible for receipt of the clasp.

1256 **Negotiating rights for police officers**

Tabled: **13/05/25** Signatories: **14**

Liz Saville Roberts
Rachael Maskell
Cat Smith
Kim Johnson
Mary Glendon
Grahame Morris

Ben Lake

Ann Davies

Llinos Medi

That this House notes that pay and conditions for police officers in England and Wales are subject to recommendations by the Police Remuneration Review Body (PRRB) and that its letter of remit each year is drafted by the Home Office, directing it to look at specific areas of pay

and conditions and within established parameters; further notes that, while the PRRB can step outside of the areas and limits within this letter, its recommendations need approval by the Secretary of State for the Home Department; believes these restrictions at both the beginning and end of the process remove any true independence from the PRRB; also notes that PRRB recommendations are not binding and there is no right of appeal or arbitration; notes that police officers have no right to take industrial action and that, before the PRRB was introduced in 2014, police pay and conditions were resolved through a Police Negotiating Board and subject to binding arbitration, which is still used in Scotland; further believes that the PRRB process should be reviewed to allow for consultation and collective bargaining, with a system of binding arbitration introduced; insists that this is not asking for a blank cheque or for agreement to unreasonable demands but rather for a compensatory mechanism for the lack of any ability to take industrial action; and calls on the Government to enter into formal negotiations with the Police Federation of England and Wales with a view to reforming the current PRRB system to include binding arbitration.

1258 **Cross-Channel train services for Kent and London**

Tabled: **14/05/25** Signatories: **6**

Tristan Osborne
Sojan Joseph
Daniel Francis
Jim Shannon
Ayoub Khan
Lauren Edwards

That this House calls on the Government to support the return of cross-Channel train services to the Kent stations of Ashford and Ebbsfleet, which were suspended during the pandemic; and believes that the reinstatement could bring a direct economic benefit of £281 million to Kent, with a larger impact including tourist spend and other multiplier effects.

1260 **Celebrating and supporting young carers in Wiltshire**

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

Sarah Gibson
Adam Dance
Jim Shannon
Clive Jones
Dr Roz Savage
Steve Darling

Charlotte Cane

That this House recognises and commends the dedication, resilience, and compassion of young carers in Wiltshire, who selflessly provide care and support to family members with illnesses, disabilities, mental health conditions or addiction issues; acknowledges the participation

of 75 young carers from Royal Wootton Bassett Academy in a national award scheme aimed at raising awareness of their vital role; notes the establishment of the Young Carer Friendly Award in Wiltshire, developed in partnership with the Wiltshire Healthy Schools programme, to recognise good practice in identifying and supporting young carers in educational settings; applauds the efforts of organisations such as Youth Action Wiltshire and Carer Support Wiltshire in offering mentoring, respite activities, and emotional support to young carers; and calls upon the Government to ensure sustained support and resources for young carers, enabling them to balance their caregiving responsibilities with their personal development and education.

1261 Universities and international students

Tabled: **14/05/25** Signatories: **17**

Ian Sollom

Wendy Chamberlain

Lisa Smart

Wera Hobhouse

Pippa Heylings

Dr Al Pinkerton

Charlotte Cane

That this House is deeply proud of the UK's place as a world-leader in research and teaching in universities and other Higher Education Institutions (HEIs), home to many of the world's leading universities; notes with concern the deep financial issues facing many universities and HEIs, with more than four in ten universities in England expecting to be in a financial deficit by this summer; further notes the Government's announcement of 12 May 2025 that proposes restricting student visas, limiting the graduate route, and imposing a levy on universities' international student income; acknowledges the immense role that international students play in contributing to our country and our economy, while strengthening our soft power on the world stage; believes we must protect the UK's place as a world leader in research by safeguarding our reputation as a destination for the world's brightest minds; further believes that protecting university finances is of vital importance; therefore calls on the Government to urgently consult with the university and HEI sector on its immigration proposals; and further calls on the Government to move to a model where international student flows are reported separately to estimates of long-term migration to avoid counter-productive policies and to rapidly establish a review of higher education finance.

1262 Closure of Yeovil District Hospital's maternity unitTabled: **14/05/25** Signatories: **11**

Adam Dance
Anna Sabine
Ian Roome
Helen Maguire
Ian Sollom
Jim Shannon

Jess Brown-Fuller

That this House expresses alarm at the sudden closure of Yeovil District Hospital's (YDH) Maternity Unit; notes that, from 5.00pm on Monday 19 May 2025, the Special Care Baby Unit at YDH will be closed for an initial period of six months, which means the hospital will be unable to safely provide care during labour and births at the Yeovil maternity unit for that period; further notes, with concern, that no reassurance could be provided that the maternity unit will be opened after the initial six month closure; recognises that the closure will create increased pressures on the already stretched maternity unit in Musgrove Park Hospital in Taunton; also notes that the decision puts patient health in south Somerset at risk; acknowledges the fear and outrage of residents across Yeovil and South Somerset; and calls on Yeovil District Hospital, Somerset NHS Trust Foundation and NHS Somerset to urgently restore safe local maternity care in Yeovil.

1263 Ray Dolby CentreTabled: **14/05/25** Signatories: **7**

Ian Sollom
Pippa Heylings
Zöe Franklin
Adam Dance
Jim Shannon
Dr Roz Savage

Charlotte Cane

That this House celebrates the opening of the Ray Dolby Centre at the University of Cambridge; acknowledges this state-of-the-art facility as a cornerstone of the university's Cavendish Laboratory and a transformative hub for interdisciplinary research in physics and beyond; applauds the long tradition of ground-breaking discoveries at the Cavendish Laboratory, including the discovery of the electron, the structure of DNA and numerous Nobel Prize-winning advances; recognises that Ray Dolby, after whom the centre is named, exemplified the value of international academic exchange as a Marshall Scholar from the United States studying at Cambridge; notes that the Marshall Scholarship programme was established as an expression of gratitude for the Marshall Plan, demonstrating the enduring special relationship between the United Kingdom and the United States; affirms that the values of international cooperation, scientific advancement and shared prosperity that underpinned the post-war world order

have never been more relevant than they are today; celebrates the vital contributions that international students make to the United Kingdom's global soft power, academic excellence and economic prosperity; and calls on the Government to continue supporting initiatives that strengthen international academic collaboration and exchange in the spirit of the post war vision for a peaceful and prosperous world built on cooperation and shared knowledge.

1264 Hyperemesis GravidarumTabled: **14/05/25** Signatories: **9**

Liz Jarvis
Tom Gordon
Adam Dance
Jim Shannon
Clive Jones
Dr Roz Savage

Jess Brown-Fuller

Charlotte Cane

That this House recognises the significant impact of Hyperemesis Gravidarum (HG), which affects around 3% of pregnancies in the UK; notes with concern the lack of diagnostic training given to general practitioners who first see sufferers before the first appointment with a midwife, which tends to come in the ninth week of pregnancy; acknowledges the personal toll on the physical and mental health of women who do not receive a formal diagnosis of HG and are left feeling isolated and unsupported when symptoms are misdiagnosed as morning sickness; calls for the end to the postcode lottery of access to drugs to treat symptoms of nausea and vomiting, including Xonvea; and urges the Government to work with Pregnancy Sickness Support and relevant stakeholders to update clinical guidelines and improve training to support early diagnosis and safer treatment options.

1266 Import of goods from Israeli settlements in the Occupied Palestinian TerritoryTabled: **14/05/25** Signatories: **27**

Ellie Chowns
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Layla Moran
Brendan O'Hara
Claire Hanna
Ben Lake

Mr Clive Betts

Ian Byrne

That this House notes that the International Court of Justice has called for all states to abstain from entering into economic or trade dealings with Israel concerning the Occupied Palestinian Territory or parts thereof which may entrench its unlawful presence in the territory and to take steps to prevent trade or investment relations that assist in the maintenance of the illegal occupation; further notes that UN General Assembly Resolution ES-10/24 calls on

all states to take steps towards ceasing the importation of any products originating in the Israeli settlements; is therefore concerned that UK Government rules allow settlement goods into the UK and British retailers and businesses can sell settlement goods or provide services to settlements; and therefore calls on the UK Government to ban the importation of goods originating from Israeli settlements and to prohibit companies domiciled in the UK from selling settlement goods and providing services to settlements.

1267 **Jewish LGBTQ+ groups at Pride**

Tabled: **14/05/25** Signatories: **19**

Christine Jardine

Tom Gordon

Lisa Smart

Wera Hobhouse

Helen Maguire

Mr Angus MacDonald

Ben Maguire

Charlotte Cane

Tom Morrison

Ian Sollom

Susan Murray

That this House expresses deep concern at the decision by the Jewish LGBTQ+ charity KeshetUK and other Jewish LGBTQ+ groups to withdraw from Pride in London this year, marking the second consecutive year they have felt unable to participate due to safety concerns and a lack of adequate assurances from event organisers; notes that this decision follows the unprecedented rise in antisemitism in the UK since the Hamas atrocities on 7 October 2023, and the subsequent war in Gaza, which has severely impacted the sense of safety and inclusion for Jewish communities, including those within the LGBTQ+ community; recognises the historic and ongoing contribution of Jewish LGBTQ+ individuals to the broader movement for equality and inclusion; unequivocally condemns all forms of antisemitism and homophobia, particularly where they intersect; calls on Pride in London and the relevant authorities to urgently review and strengthen safety protocols to ensure that all communities, especially minority groups, feel safe and welcome; urges greater engagement between Pride organisers and Jewish LGBTQ+ groups to rebuild trust and facilitate their participation in future events; and reaffirms this House's unwavering commitment to upholding the rights, safety, and dignity of all LGBTQ+ individuals, regardless of faith or ethnicity.

1268 Political parties at PrideTabled: **14/05/25** Signatories: **29****Christine Jardine****Tom Gordon****Tom Morrison****Lisa Smart****Wera Hobhouse****Helen Maguire**

Ben Maguire

Brian Mathew

Dr Al Pinkerton

David Chadwick

Jess Brown-Fuller

Susan Murray

Charlotte Cane

Edward Morello

Anna Sabine

Olly Glover

Ian Sollom

That this House regrets the decision taken by organisers of several Pride marches and parades across the UK to not allow political parties to march; further regrets that that decision partly stems from a lack of trust in politicians and Government amongst many in the LGBTQ+ community; notes that many trans people are concerned by the rise in hate-crime against transgender and non-binary people, and worried about the practical implications of the recent ruling in the Supreme Court case *For Women Scotland vs The Scottish Minister* on their lives; reaffirms its commitment to standing up for the rights and dignity of all in the LGBTQ+ community, including trans and non-binary people; calls on Rt hon. and hon. Members in the House, and their political parties, to reaffirm their commitment to protecting and advancing the rights of trans and non-binary people across the UK; and hopes political parties which support the rights of LGBTQ+ people and the aims of Pride will be able to re-join these parades officially in future.

1269 UK aid for global forests and indigenous peoplesTabled: **15/05/25** Signatories: **8****Pippa Heylings****Jess Brown-Fuller****Wera Hobhouse****Mr Will Forster****David Chadwick****Charlotte Cane**

Wendy Chamberlain

Lisa Smart

That this House expresses deep concern at the threat to UK support for global forests and the rights of Indigenous Peoples and local communities (IPLCs) as a result of reductions to the Official Development Assistance (ODA) budget; notes that tropical forests are vital to climate regulation, biodiversity, food security and public health, and that halting deforestation could contribute up to 30% of climate change mitigation potential; further notes that forests are home to 1.6 billion people, including 300 million Indigenous Peoples whose knowledge, stewardship and tenure rights are critical to effective forest governance; recognises the

positive impact of UK funding in tackling illegal logging and promoting sustainable forest economies through programmes such as Forest Governance Markets and Climate (FGMC2), Investments in Forests and Sustainable Land Use (IFSLU), The Amazon Catalyst for Forest Communities (AMCAT), the Biodiverse Landscapes Fund, and the Congo Basin Forest Action Programme; recalls the UK's leadership at COP26 through the Glasgow Leaders' Declaration on Forests and Land Use and urges the Government to honour this commitment with sustained investment; affirms that private finance initiatives, such as the Tropical Forest Forever Facility, cannot replace the UK's bilateral support and the impact of direct partnerships with rainforest countries and IPLC-led solutions; and calls on the Government to protect existing forest programmes from aid cuts, restore the aid budget to 0.7% of GNI at the earliest opportunity, and ensure forest protection and Indigenous rights remain central to the UK's international climate and development strategy ahead of COP30.

1271 **60th anniversary of Bexley Voluntary Service Council**

Tabled: **15/05/25** Signatories: **2**

Daniel Francis

Neil Duncan-Jordan

That this House congratulates Bexley Voluntary Service Council on its 60th anniversary; notes that the organisation was founded to provide support to organisations and residents across the London Borough of Bexley; highlights their work in supporting voluntary organisations and volunteers in the London Borough of Bexley; recognises the role they play in ensuring partnership working between voluntary organisations locally; thanks their staff and volunteers for their hard work; and wishes Bexley Voluntary Service Council all the best for the future.