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Early Day Motions tabled on Monday 9 June 2025

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New EDMs

1411 **Human rights in Saudi Arabia**

Tabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **1**

Ellie Chowns

That this House remains concerned about human rights violations in Saudi Arabia; welcomes the recent release of dozens of political prisoners, including University of Leeds PhD student Salma al-Shehab, human rights defender Mohammed al-Qahtani, and doctor Lina Alsharif; notes, however, that released individuals face continued restrictions, including travel bans; further notes that others remain arbitrarily imprisoned for peaceful dissent, such as Manahel al-Otaibi; is alarmed by the record number of death penalty executions, with 345 in 2024 and over 140 in 2025 so far, with a number of persons who committed their alleged crimes as minors facing execution; is concerned about labour exploitation and potential deaths of workers in connection with the 2034 FIFA World Cup and other mega-projects in the absence of fundamental labour rights reform; calls on the UK Government to urge Saudi Arabia to release all those imprisoned for defending or exercising their rights and to establish a moratorium on use of the death penalty; and further calls on the Government to actively raise such rights issues and cases of concern, including in connection with on-going discussions with Gulf Cooperation Council states on a Free Trade Agreement.

1412 Wheelchair-accessible taxisTabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **1****Cameron Thomas**

That this House notes with concern the lack of wheelchair-accessible taxis in rural areas, particularly in Tewkesbury constituency and the wider Gloucestershire region; acknowledges that this shortage makes it difficult for elderly and disabled residents to travel to medical appointments, social engagements, and places of work; recognises that while hospital patient transport services provide a valuable means of accessing hospital appointments, they do not cover other essential medical visits, such as NHS dental appointments; believes that urgent action is required to improve access to wheelchair-accessible taxis for those living in isolated areas; and further recognises that although the licensing of taxis and private hire vehicles is the responsibility of local licensing authorities (LLAs), the Government should strengthen regulations to ensure that LLAs maintain inclusive service plans, enabling all residents to travel easily, confidently, and with dignity.

1413 Hong Kong nationals in the UKTabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **1****Claire Young**

That this House recognises the increasing pressures faced by Hong Kong nationals living in the United Kingdom, particularly those who have arrived under the British National (Overseas) visa route; notes with concern the reports of intimidation, surveillance, and community tensions exacerbated by actions of the Chinese state; acknowledges the vital contributions of the Hong Kong community to the UK's social, cultural, and economic life; further notes that Hong Kongers who have been welcomed to the United Kingdom and chosen to make it their home should not have to pay international university fees; and urges the Government to ensure robust protection of civil liberties, expand integration support services, and ensure the community is supported to live safely on our shores.

1414 Elgin City Women's FC unbeaten season and promotionTabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **1****Graham Leadbitter**

That this House congratulates Elgin City Women's FC on their remarkable unbeaten season in the Scottish Women's Football League North, culminating in their successful promotion following their victory over Dunfermline Athletic in the Scottish Women's Football League 1 play-off; notes that this incredible achievement took place just two years after the formation of the team; and wishes the entire squad the best of luck going into the 2025-26 season in a new division.

1415 Experiences of women athletes at the Leander Rowing ClubTabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **1****Clive Jones**

That this House notes with concern reports that women athletes at the Leander Club have felt that they cannot safely train alongside their male teammates due to the Club's handling of allegations of sexual assault and harassment made against male athletes; further notes that the Leander Club is a prestigious organisation which has a responsibility to set a positive example; expresses particular concern that in October 2023 athletes had to express that they were deeply uncomfortable that a teammate against whom serious allegations were made was permitted to continue using shared facilities alongside women members including his accuser and believe this represents a serious failure in safeguarding; supports the decision of the women members to wear the white ribbon during their dispute about how these complaints were handled, a symbol of protest against male violence against women; calls upon the Leander Club to review its complaints and safeguarding procedures in light of these revelations to ensure that they are adequate and appropriate; calls upon British Rowing to investigate whether these serious allegations were appropriately handled, as well as allegations of a toxic and bullying culture at the Oxford Brookes Rowing Club, and to ensure all rowing clubs are reminded of their responsibilities; notes that male violence against women and girls, including sexual violence, happens in all contexts and social strata within our society; condemns male violence against women and girls wherever and however it occurs; and asks the Government to recommit to working to eradicate male violence against women and girls.

1416 Opening of Pittyvaich Care HomeTabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **1****Mr Angus MacDonald**

That this House welcomes the opening of Pittyvaich Care Home in Inverness, the first new care home to be built in the city in five years; notes that this £11 million investment by family-run Parklands Care Homes offers 58 high-quality care placements for older people; recognises the importance of this new care home in helping to address the loss of over 200 care beds in the region; further welcomes Parklands' continued investment across the Highlands, including planned expansions at its homes in Tain, Fortrose and Grantown on Spey to help meet growing demand; congratulates Parklands on being named Best for Wellbeing at the national Care Home Awards, reflecting its commitment to high-quality, person-centred care; and wishes the new team at Pittyvaich every success as they support older people in Inverness to live with dignity, comfort and respect.

1417 New College Lanarkshire, winner of the Further Education Institution of the Year 2025Tabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **1****Frank McNally**

That this House congratulates New College Lanarkshire on being named the inaugural winner of the Further Education Institution of the Year at the 2025 Herald Education Awards; recognises the achievements of the whole college community in the awards, including Deputy Principal Ann Baxter and student Chloe Sandilands who claimed the Lifetime Achievement and Outstanding Contribution from a College Student awards respectively; welcomes the College's innovative approaches in the sector to expand opportunities in education, including its Undergraduate School partnership with the University of the West of Scotland, for which it won a Widening Access award; and wishes the College's management, staff, and students the best as they continue to build on their successes in the face of a challenging financial climate for Scotland's colleges.

1418 Moderatorship of the Very Reverend Dr Shaw James PatersonTabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **1****Joani Reid**

That this House congratulates the Very Reverend Dr Shaw James Paterson on his successful term as the Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland for the year 2024–25; recognises and commends his ecumenicalism and his lifelong dedication to ministry, particularly his service to the community of Strathaven as minister of Trinity Parish Church since 1991, and leadership in establishing vital community initiatives including memory support groups, school lunchtime clubs, and foodbank outreach; acknowledges his previous service as Presbytery Clerk and as the first Moderator of the Forth Valley and Clydesdale Presbytery; celebrates his international engagement, particularly his visit to Malawi to mark the centenary of the Church of Central Africa Presbyterian, where he led theological seminars, supported educational development at Zomba Theological University, and launched the Moderator's Challenge to provide solar-powered lights for students; and notes that he is a proud Lanarkshire man whose ministry and compassion have had a lasting impact both locally and globally.

1419 Impact of upgrading the energy efficiency of private rented homesTabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **1****Bell Ribeiro-Addy**

That this House recognises that nearly four million private renters regularly struggle to pay their energy bills, with private renters more likely to experience fuel poverty than any other tenure type and poorly insulated homes costing tenants on average £570 per year, while energy use in UK homes causing an estimated 40% of carbon emissions; believes the Government's ambition of uprating all private rented homes to EPC C or above by 2030 is welcome; but

warns that renters will not be sufficiently protected from rent hikes or evictions as a result of their home increasing in value following energy efficiency improvements; further believes the Renters' Rights Bill is a positive first step in addressing the power imbalance between tenants and landlords, but does not offer sufficient protections for renters in the case of retrofitting; is concerned that, without further protections, renters, particularly those on low incomes, will not enjoy the benefits of a warmer home and lower bills; and believes the Government should protect renters from rent increases through classifying grants as an improvement contributed by the tenant, not the landlord, at the First-tier Tribunal rent assessment process and protect renters from eviction through introducing a protected period from eviction after a government grant is used to retrofit a privately rented property.

1420 **100th anniversary of Star of Ards Royal Black Preceptory 1160**

Tabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **1**

Jim Shannon

That this House celebrates the 100th anniversary of Star of Ards Royal Black Preceptory (RBP) 1160, based in Kircubbin in the constituency of Strangford; notes that the Deputy Imperial Grand Master, Mervyn Kernaghan presented a bible to Gareth McGimpsey, the Master of the RBP; highlights the roots of the RBP dating back to the early 19th century, being known for parades, religious services and community activities; congratulates the RBP and its members for reaching this milestone; and wishes them all the very best for the future.

1421 **National leadership and action on vascular and venous disease**

Tabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **1**

Jim Shannon

That this House acknowledges the widespread and often under-recognised burden of vascular and venous diseases, which affect millions of people across the United Kingdom and can lead to devastating outcomes such as stroke, amputation, or premature death if left untreated; notes that conditions such as peripheral arterial disease, deep vein thrombosis, and chronic venous insufficiency not only reduce quality of life but disproportionately impact older adults, people with diabetes, and those in deprived communities; further notes with concern that the annual NHS cost of wound care management was estimated at £8.3 billion in 2018, with £5.6 billion spent on unhealed wounds, many of which are associated with vascular disease; highlights that current inconsistencies in access to timely diagnosis and treatment across regions have worsened post-pandemic, leading to delays and inequitable outcomes; welcomes the work of the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Vascular and Venous Disease in championing these issues and drawing attention to systemic gaps in workforce, community services, and diagnostic capacity; and calls on the Department of Health and Social Care to commit to clear national clinical leadership for vascular disease, ensuring consistent, high-quality services across the country, reducing unwarranted variation, and improving outcomes for patients irrespective of geography.

1422 Coling LawleyTabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **1****Clive Jones**

That this House pays tribute to Coling Lawley following the sad news of his passing; recognises Coling's distinguished record of public service in the community of Wokingham Borough and especially the town of Woodley, including serving twice as the Mayor of the town and for a time as Leader of Wokingham Borough Council; associates itself with the kind tributes paid to Coling from across the political spectrum in Wokingham demonstrating the immense respect he commanded; celebrates his kind and compassionate role as a pharmacist in his community where he further dedicated himself to helping the local community; notes with admiration the significant legacy he leaves behind in Wokingham Borough and Woodley; and expresses its condolences to Coling's friends and family.

1423 Glenrothes Strollers Ladies Football ClubTabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **1****Richard Baker**

That this House congratulates Glenrothes Strollers Ladies Football Club on their promotion to the Scottish Women's League One following their 1-0 play-off victory over Bishopton; commends the team on an outstanding season in which they won the Scottish Women's Football League (SWFL) East league title and were beaten only once in 90 minutes; honours manager Pauline Harley for her leadership throughout the campaign; further congratulates Rachel Fowler on being named Player of the Season and for scoring the decisive penalty to secure promotion; recognises the achievement of Erin Kane and Demi Gear in being shortlisted for the SWFL East Player of the Year award; and looks forward to their continued success next season.

1424 Israel's interception of the British-flagged Madleen boatTabled: **9/06/25** Signatories: **39****Richard Burgon****Imran Hussain****Kim Johnson****Nadia Whittome****Zarah Sultana****Apsana Begum**

Chris Hinchliff

Olivia Blake

Ian Lavery

Jeremy Corbyn

Sorcha Eastwood

Brendan O'Hara

Cat Smith

Brian Leishman

John McDonnell

Claire Hanna

Shockat Adam

Steve Witherden

Clive Lewis

Ian Byrne

Neil Duncan-Jordan

Colum Eastwood

Mr Adnan Hussain

Rachael Maskell

Abtisam Mohamed
Ben Lake
Bell Ribeiro-Addy
Ayoub Khan
Ms Diane Abbott

Andrew Gwynne
Liz Saville Roberts
Andy McDonald
Chris Law
Dawn Butler

Ann Davies
Llinos Medi
Peter Lamb
Iqbal Mohamed
Grahame Morris

That this House expresses alarm at the Israeli military's interception of the UK-flagged civilian vessel Madleen in international waters on 9 June 2025; notes that the vessel was engaged in a peaceful humanitarian mission to Gaza to help break the illegal siege and highlight Israel's use of forced starvation against two million people in Gaza, which is a war crime; further notes that the Madleen was sailing in international waters when it was forcibly intercepted, and that the volunteers on board are protected under international law, making their detention unlawful; believes that as the Madleen is registered under the British flag this places specific responsibilities on the UK Government to safeguard the vessel and those aboard; further believes that Israel has no lawful basis to attack, intercept, or otherwise interfere with the Madleen or any peaceful civilian vessel sailing toward Palestinian waters, and that such interference constitutes a violation of international law; recalls Israel's previous assault on the Mavi Marmara that led to the deaths of nine people and many injuries; also believes that Israel's threats and attacks against humanitarian missions, like the Madleen, carrying essential aid and international human rights defenders, reflect a broader pattern of impunity and disregard for international norms; and calls on the UK Government to uphold its obligation to protect the Madleen and those on board, to secure their immediate release and to act decisively to uphold international law against Israeli's repeated violations of it, including its forced starvation of the people of Gaza.

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.

1329 **Drylaw Neighbourhood Centre young game designers**

Tabled: **2/06/25** Signatories: **7**

Christine Jardine
Jim Shannon
Mr Angus MacDonald
Clive Jones
Sarah Dyke
Apsana Begum

Tristan Osborne

That this House congratulates the young game designers of Drylaw Neighbourhood Centre who, in collaboration with the Tinderbox Collective, have created the interactive game entitled Escape Drylaw; understands that this project and others like it are invaluable in helping young people develop transferable skills such as problem-solving, collaboration, storytelling, and

digital design; notes the importance of young people engaging in their community and having safe spaces to express themselves creatively; and wishes the community success with their future projects.

1330 **Reinstatement of the Winter Fuel Payment**

Tabled: **2/06/25** Signatories: **16**

Luke Taylor
Claire Young
Jim Shannon
Helen Maguire
Mr Angus MacDonald
Christine Jardine

Shockat Adam

That this House notes with great concern the significant financial hardship caused by the removal of the Winter Fuel Payment for those already affected by the ongoing cost of living crisis; recognises the vital role this payment plays in supporting vulnerable individuals; urges the Government to reinstate this payment without further delay; and calls on the Government to provide immediate and clear guidance on eligibility criteria to ensure all those entitled to support receive it in a transparent manner.

1331 **Libraries Week 2025**

Tabled: **2/06/25** Signatories: **14**

Sarah Dyke
Adam Dance
Wera Hobhouse
Jim Shannon
Mr Angus MacDonald
Christine Jardine

Tristan Osborne

That this House celebrates Libraries Week 2025, taking place from Monday 2 June to Sunday 8 June, as a national campaign recognising the vital role libraries, professional librarians and volunteers play in strengthening communities and driving opportunity; welcomes this year's theme entitled Libraries change lives by sustaining economic growth, which highlights the many ways in which library services across the UK support local economies by empowering jobseekers, supporting entrepreneurs and small businesses, delivering digital skills and literacy training; acknowledges the particular importance of libraries in rural communities where access to services and educational opportunities can be limited; highlights Somerset Council's mobile library service as an important resource for isolated and rural residents, providing a trusted and accessible gateway to books, digital services, and community support; further welcomes the findings of a recent independent review which cited Somerset Libraries

as a national example of excellence; and calls on the Government to ensure continued investment in and the protection of library services as essential infrastructure in tackling digital exclusion, reducing educational inequality, promoting lifelong learning and economic growth across the UK.

1333 Future of rail freight

Tabled: **2/06/25** Signatories: **12**

Grahame Morris

Neil Duncan-Jordan

Cat Smith

Ian Lavery

Jim Shannon

Andrew George

Ian Byrne

Steve Witherden

Andy McDonald

Kim Johnson

Chris Bloore

This House notes with concern that the future of rail freight in Great Britain is uncertain; welcomes ASLEF's Rail Freight Future and Dignity for Drivers campaigns; recognises the importance of Great British Railways in supporting and growing rail freight and providing a strategic direction to the rail freight sector; further notes the existence of publicly-owned rail freight and the opportunity for expansion; and calls on the Government to invest in the infrastructure needed to create capacity for rail freight, level the playing field between road and rail freight, protect freight paths and access on the GBR network, improve facilities for train drivers, and strengthen rail freight growth targets.

1339 Accountability in the water industry and proposals for the reform of Ofwat

Tabled: **2/06/25** Signatories: **8**

Clive Lewis

Chris Hinchliff

Jim Shannon

Olivia Blake

Neil Duncan-Jordan

Andrew George

Andy McDonald

That this House notes with concern the systemic failings of the water industry and its regulators, which have allowed water companies to break the law while forcing customers to pay twice for essential services; further notes that Ofwat's PR24 determination allocated enhanced funding to United Utilities for the Windermere Schemes without ensuring that this money would be used to improve sewerage services, rather than belatedly bring sites into compliance; recognises that this failure reflects wider national issues in the water industry, where investment has been inadequate and permit breaches persist; condemns Ofwat for relying on modelled, rather

than real-world, data, allowing water companies to mark their own homework and evade accountability; further notes that Ofwat previously allowed financial extraction by private equity firms, resulting in higher bills and environmental degradation; and calls on the Government to reform Ofwat so that regulatory decisions are based on actual data, introduce a robust clawback mechanism to prevent unjustified charges, and ensure that water companies, not customers, bear the financial burden of bringing sites into legal compliance

1341 **Sir Bob Reid**

Tabled: **2/06/25** Signatories: **8**

Wendy Chamberlain
Jim Shannon
Mr Angus MacDonald
Christine Jardine
Clive Jones
Sarah Dyke

Tristan Osborne

That this House expresses its deepest condolences following the death of Sir Bob Reid; acknowledges that he held important positions in various companies, most notably at Shell and as CEO at British Rail in 1990, overseeing projects like the Channel Tunnel; notes that Sir Bob had strong leadership skills and was admired for his energy and enthusiasm, as well as having a liking for human contact and an easy manner, regardless of rank; recognises that Sir Bob was born in Cupar and later studied politics, economics and history at the University of St Andrews, where he represented the university at golf and met his future wife, Joan Oram; and understands this loss is felt widely and expresses sympathy to his friends and family following the sad news of his passing.

1344 **University of Strathclyde recognised as a University of Sanctuary**

Tabled: **2/06/25** Signatories: **4**

Maureen Burke
Jim Shannon
Christine Jardine
John Grady

That this House congratulates the University of Strathclyde on being awarded University of Sanctuary status by City of Sanctuary UK, in recognition of its long-standing and wide-ranging commitment to supporting refugee and asylum seeker students, staff and academics; notes the university's provision of dedicated scholarships, mentoring, mental health services and academic opportunities for those with forced migrant status; commends its collaborative work with local and national partners, including The Bridges Programmes and the Scottish Refugee Council, to support access to higher education; further recognises the university's efforts to develop trauma-informed teaching practices and its ambitious action plan to embed and share

sanctuary principles across its community; and applauds Strathclyde's leadership in fostering an inclusive, compassionate and welcoming environment for all those seeking sanctuary.

1345 Reform of NHS dentistry services

Tabled: **2/06/25** Signatories: **33**

Sarah Gibson
Claire Young
Adam Dance
Brian Mathew
Wera Hobhouse
Jim Shannon

Shockat Adam

That this House notes with concern the findings of the Public Accounts Committee's report entitled Fixing NHS Dentistry, which highlights the failure of the Department of Health and Social Care and NHS England's 2024 dental recovery plan to improve access to NHS dental services; is alarmed that only 40% of adults in England were able to see an NHS dentist in the two years to March 2024, a decline from 49% prior to the covid-19 pandemic; recognises that the current dental contract, established in 2006, is unfit for purpose and does not incentivise dental practices to provide sufficient NHS care; acknowledges that initiatives such as the new patient premium and the golden hello recruitment scheme have not achieved their intended outcomes, with the latter resulting in less than 20% of the expected dentist appointments; expresses dissatisfaction that the Government has not committed to a clear timeline for reforming the NHS dental contract, as evidenced by the response to Written Question 46464 on 28 April 2025, where no specific timeframe was provided; and calls on the Government to work collaboratively with dental professionals, integrated care boards and other stakeholders to design and implement a new dental contract that addresses current shortcomings and promotes the provision of NHS dental services, ensuring equitable access to dental care for all citizens.

1349 Carers Week 2025

Tabled: **2/06/25** Signatories: **42**

Alison Bennett
Claire Young
Wendy Chamberlain
Vikki Slade
Caroline Voaden
Rachel Gilmour

Tristan Osborne

That this House supports Carers Week 2025, taking place from 9 to 15 June; recognises this year's theme is entitled Caring about equality; emphasises that millions of unpaid carers

looking after family members and friends often face significant challenges and inequalities in their daily lives; asks the Government to address the significant inequalities faced by unpaid carers and commit to ensuring that carers receive the support they need and deserve; and endeavours to build a society that treats all carers equitably.

1362 40th anniversary of the Scottish Refugee Council

Tabled: **2/06/25** Signatories: **8**

Martin Rhodes
Jim Shannon
Christine Jardine
Frank McNally
Richard Baker
Maureen Burke

Seamus Logan Patricia Ferguson

That this House celebrates the 40th anniversary of the Scottish Refugee Council and commends its decades of vital work supporting people fleeing conflict and persecution; notes its beginnings in 1985 aiding refugees from Vietnam and its continued support for those displaced by crises in Bosnia, Iraq, Syria, Ukraine and beyond; recognises the positive impact of refugee communities on Scottish society; and affirms the importance of building a welcoming, compassionate Scotland for all who seek safety.

1367 Police officers

Tabled: **2/06/25** Signatories: **22**

Tim Farron
Claire Young
Adam Dance
Jim Shannon
Helen Maguire
Manuela Perteghella

Alison Bennett Luke Taylor Anna Sabine

That this House recognises the tireless work of police officers around the UK; praises the selfless service of police officers' to their communities and their country in daily acts of unseen work, often in dangerous situations; notes in particular the fantastic work of Cumbria Constabulary in rural, remote communities, despite stretched resources over huge geographical distances; further notes the recent letter to The Times from six chief constables of the biggest forces in the UK and their warnings that without investment, government ambitions to reform policing, protect victims, and cut crime will fall short; recognises the worry that many officers will feel about continued uncertainty; and calls on the Government to ensure fair pay rises for police

officers by reforming the Police Remuneration Review Body to make it properly independent of Government.

1376 **Water quality of the River Mole**

Tabled: **3/06/25** Signatories: **7**

Helen Maguire
Adam Dance
Jim Shannon
Mr Will Forster
Sarah Dyke
Monica Harding

Peter Lamb

That this House expresses deep concern over the deteriorating water quality of the River Mole; notes recent data collected by River Mole River Watch reveals persistently high levels of phosphate pollution in the River Mole over the last two years, with average concentrations increasing from 0.48 parts per million (ppm) in 2023 to 0.56 ppm in March 2025; further notes that such elevated phosphate levels significantly exceed safe thresholds for freshwater ecosystems and could result in eutrophication, an excess of nutrients in the water that depletes oxygen, causes algal blooms and damages biodiversity; acknowledges that the elevated phosphate levels are linked to factors including sewage overflows from pumping stations, of which only 18 out of 307 in the catchment have event duration monitors installed, severely limiting transparency; recognises the valuable role of community-led monitoring in exposing the scale and sources of river pollution; calls on the Government to give citizen scientists greater powers to hold water companies accountable, including through representation on water company boards; further calls on the Government to mandate the installation of monitoring equipment on all sewage infrastructure and to ensure water companies publish both the volume and concentration of emergency overflow discharges on company websites; and encourages water companies to invest in upgrading wastewater treatment facilities to restore and protect the health of our waterways, like the River Mole, for future generations.

1384 **Dylan Wood**

Tabled: **3/06/25** Signatories: **4**

Brian Leishman
Jim Shannon
Apsana Begum
Ian Lavery

That this House congratulates Dylan Wood, a talented theatre actor from Tillicoultry in the Wee County, on his outstanding performance as Orpheus in the West End production of Hadestown; celebrates his continued success in the role into 2026 following a widely praised and accomplished run; recognises the inspiring journey Dylan has taken from his first stage

appearance at Alloa Town Hall to the bright lights of London's West End; applauds his dedication to the arts and his commitment to his craft; expresses pride that a young man from Clackmannanshire is showcasing Scottish talent on the national stage; and hopes that his story will inspire young people from Tillicoultry and across the Wee County to pursue their creative dreams.

1385 Gaza (No. 2)

Tabled: **3/06/25** Signatories: **73**

Ed Davey
Calum Miller
Josh Babarinde
Zöe Franklin
Charlotte Cane
Steve Darling

Ben Lake

That this House expresses its condemnation of the Israeli government's expansion of military activity in Gaza and declaration of 22 new settlements in the West Bank; denounces Prime Minister Netanyahu's unwillingness to comprehensively lift the devastating aid blockade; rejects as dangerous, insufficient and unworkable the operation of the Gaza Humanitarian Foundation; calls on the Government to develop an alternative plan with other countries to take aid into the Strip through a humanitarian corridor, ideally sponsored by the UN; believes that Hamas should immediately and unconditionally release the remaining 58 hostages; notes that military action will not support getting the remaining hostages back to Israel, and that only diplomacy has been the consistently effective tool through which those in Hamas' captivity have made it home; urges the Government to immediately sanction Ministers Ben-Gvir, Smotrich and Katz, who consistently call for the dispossession of Palestinians, and to immediately ban all UK arms exports to Israel; urges the Government to immediately suspend the 2030 roadmap for UK-Israel bilateral relations, until the humanitarian catastrophe in Gaza is alleviated; calls on the Government, in lieu of imminent action by the Israeli government to allow full aid access to Gaza and draw back its military campaign, to expand sanctions to Israeli Ministers and Members of the Knesset who support continuing the blockade and military action; and urges the Government to recognise the state of Palestine, showing beyond doubt the UK's commitment to Palestinians' right to self-determination and a two-state solution as the only just, political settlement.

1386 Climate Finance Fund (Fossil Fuels and Pollution) BillTabled: **3/06/25** Signatories: **33**

Richard Burgon
Nadia Whittome
Dr Simon Opher
Olivia Blake
Neil Duncan-Jordan
Clive Lewis

Siân Berry

Ian Lavery

That this House welcomes the contribution made by the Climate Finance Fund (Fossil Fuels and Pollution) Bill, published on 15 May 2025, to the debate on how to fund the urgent action needed to address climate change; welcomes the Bill's emphasis on the 'polluter pays' principle that fossil fuel giants and other large-scale polluters most responsible for driving climate change should bear the greatest cost of climate action; further welcomes the Bill's additional principle that climate finance should be both raised and spent fairly, recognising this as a matter of social justice; notes recent polling showing the vast majority of voters support making large-scale polluters pay for the cost of climate action; further notes the Bill's proposals for the establishment of a Climate Finance Fund, funded through the introduction of new levies on oil and gas giants, the redirection of subsidies away from fossil fuels and towards climate action, and the imposition of levies on luxury travel, including on private jets and super-yachts; welcomes the Bill's view that such a Fund could be used to increase investment in good-quality jobs in the green economy, renewable energy, home insulation, public transport, in making communities more resilient to flooding and other climate damage, and on increasing the UK's financial contribution to the Fund for Responding to Loss and Damage; encourages all Members of this House to read the Bill and engage seriously with its proposals in the interest of funding the urgent climate action required.

1389 Clean Air Day 2025Tabled: **4/06/25** Signatories: **7**

Liz Saville Roberts
Apsana Begum
Richard Burgon
Ben Lake
Ann Davies
Llinos Medi

Tristan Osborne

That this House celebrates Clean Air Day on 19 June, which is coordinated by Global Action Plan to bring together communities, businesses, education and the health sector to improve public understanding of air pollution, build awareness of how air pollution affects our health and explain some of the easy things we can all do to tackle air pollution to help protect our health and the environment; notes that air pollution is associated with between 29,000

and 43,000 deaths a year in the UK; further notes that the World Health Organization, the UK Government and the Welsh Government recognise that air pollution is one of the largest environmental threats to our health; commends those taking part in Clean Air Day by committing to healthy travel charters and tree planting projects; and calls on the UK and devolved governments to take decisive action to reduce the levels of toxic air pollution on our roads by advocating for cleaner transport options.

1391 Dental provision in the North West

Tabled: **4/06/25** Signatories: **6**

Lisa Smart
Wera Hobhouse
Jim Shannon
Clive Jones
Mr Angus MacDonald
Tom Morrison

That this House expresses deep concern over the shortage of NHS dental services in the North West of England; is alarmed that parents are frequently advised to seek private dental care for their children simply to access routine check-ups; notes with particular concern that more than 100,000 children aged six to ten have been admitted to hospital with decaying teeth since 2018; believes this situation is depriving children of essential early dental care; supports the introduction of supervised toothbrushing schemes in nurseries and schools; further believes that VAT should be removed from children's toothbrushes and toothpaste to make oral hygiene more affordable for families; and urges the new Government to collaborate with primary care bodies to end the emergence of dental deserts, particularly in the North West, by reforming the broken NHS dental contract, incentivising dentists to return from the private sector, and using flexible commissioning to ensure patients can access NHS dental services when needed.

1392 Madleen Freedom Flotilla Ship

Tabled: **4/06/25** Signatories: **44**

Rachael Maskell
Brendan O'Hara
Iqbal Mohamed
Ms Diane Abbott
Shockat Adam
Claire Hanna

Mary Kelly Foy
Kate Osborne
Pete Wishart
Mr Angus MacDonald
Andy McDonald
Imran Hussain

Cat Eccles
Liz Saville Roberts
Nadia Whittome
Grahame Morris
Charlie Maynard
Abtisam Mohamed

Peter Lamb
Zarah Sultana
Euan Stainbank
Lorraine Beavers
Patricia Ferguson
Vikki Slade

Naushabah Khan
Tom Morrison

Mr Alistair Carmichael
Mr Paul Kohler

Olivia Blake
Ian Lavery

That this House stands in solidarity with the crew of 12, including climate activist Greta Thunberg, of the Madleen Freedom Flotilla Ship bound for the Gaza Strip, attempting to break Israel's siege of Gaza to deliver vital aid including essential medical supplies, food and children's aid; supports the statement by UN experts that the people of Gaza have the right to receive aid through their own territorial waters even under occupation, and that the Coalition ship has the right to free passage in international waters to reach the people of Gaza; agrees that Israel must not interfere with its freedom of navigation, long recognised under international law and must adhere to international law and comply with orders from the International Court of Justice to ensure unimpeded access for humanitarian aid; notes that malnutrition cases in the region have skyrocketed, UNICEF have stated that currently 14,000 children are suffering from acute malnutrition, elderly Palestinians as well as children are dying of starvation due to prolonged food shortages and a lack of access to medical aid, further notes that the entire 2.1 million population of Gaza is at risk of famine if the blockade is not lifted urgently; and notes that member states including the UK have a legal obligation and moral imperative to stop the starvation in Gaza.

1393 **National Carers Week 2025 and the Women in the North report**

Tabled: **4/06/25** Signatories: **25**

Mary Kelly Foy
Emma Lewell
John McDonnell
Kim Johnson
Jim Shannon
Grahame Morris

Tom Morrison
Andy McDonald
Ms Diane Abbott
Kate Osborne
Bell Ribeiro-Addy
Lorraine Beavers

Margaret Mullane
Rachael Maskell
Ian Lavery
Nadia Whittome
Maureen Burke

Daniel Francis
Jon Trickett
Steve Witherden
Brian Leishman
Cat Smith

That this House notes that 9 to 15 June 2025 marks Carers Week; recognises the vital contribution made by unpaid carers across the UK; acknowledges the theme for this year's Carers Week, Caring About Equality, which highlights the inequalities many carers face; further notes the findings of the Women in the North report by Health Equity North, which found that women in the North of England are more likely to be unpaid carers, live in poverty, and have fewer qualifications than women elsewhere in the country; expresses concern at the disproportionate impact this has on health, wellbeing, and life opportunities; and calls on the Government to take urgent steps to address regional inequalities and to provide greater recognition, resources, and support for unpaid carers, particularly women in the North.

1394 Non-stun slaughter banTabled: **4/06/25** Signatories: **4**

Rupert Lowe
Bradley Thomas
Andrew Rosindell
Sammy Wilson

That this House expresses concern over the continued allowance of non-stun animal slaughter in the United Kingdom, particularly in relation to its widespread use in halal meat production; recognises the substantial body of veterinary evidence indicating that pre-stunning significantly reduces animal suffering at the point of slaughter; notes polling which consistently shows strong public support for mandatory stunning of animals before slaughter; regrets that current religious exemptions permit practices that fall below the UK's stated animal welfare standards; and therefore calls on the Government to urgently review the legislative framework around non-stun slaughter, consider restricting or banning the practice, and introduce mandatory, clear labelling of meat products by method of slaughter so that consumers can make informed choices.

1396 Scottish Opera wins Classical:NEXT Innovation AwardTabled: **4/06/25** Signatories: **6**

Martin Rhodes
Jim Shannon
Richard Baker
Maureen Burke
Seamus Logan
Patricia Ferguson

That this House congratulates Scottish Opera on being awarded the prestigious worldwide Classical: NEXT Innovation Award for its pioneering health and arts initiative, Breath Cycle; notes that the project, the first of its kind, which began in 2013, now supports people living with a range of respiratory conditions, including long covid; further notes that Breath Cycle has engaged nearly 2,500 participants across Scotland, the wider UK and Europe; recognises the reported benefits to participants' mental and physical health, energy levels and confidence; and celebrates the recognition of Breath Cycle as a ground-breaking project that is shaping the future of classical music through bold, thoughtful and effective innovation in practice.

1397 Funding for Ely and Haughley Rail junction upgradesTabled: **4/06/25** Signatories: **7**

Charlotte Cane
Jim Shannon
Adam Dance
Clive Jones
Mr Angus MacDonald
Ian Sollom

Steff Aquarone

That this House recognises the critical role of the Ely and Haughley rail junctions in supporting national economic growth, regional development, and the transition to greener transport; notes that these long-overdue infrastructure upgrades have been in planning for decades and are now essential to unlocking capacity for both freight and passenger services across the East of England and beyond; further notes that the Ely Area capacity enhancements and Haughley junction upgrade would enable 2,900 additional freight services annually from the Port of Felixstowe, reduce road congestion by removing 98,000 HGV journeys, stimulating 277,000 extra rail passenger journeys per year, it would also reduce carbon emissions by 1.7m tonnes of CO₂ over 60 years and it will reduce congestion by 5.6 million hours per year; highlights that the schemes would generate a return of £4.89 for every £1 invested, with an additional £60 million in wider economic benefits already identified; acknowledges the alignment of these projects with private sector investment; and therefore urges the Government to allocate funding to enable Network Rail to proceed with detailed planning and delivery of these essential infrastructure improvements, thereby supporting regional growth, decarbonisation, and national connectivity.

1398 Mauritius TreatyTabled: **4/06/25** Signatories: **90**

Mrs Kemi Badenoch
Nigel Farage
Jim Allister
Priti Patel
Richard Tice
James Cartlidge

Andrew Griffith

Sammy Wilson

That the Agreement, done at London and Port Louis on 22 May 2025, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Mauritius concerning the Chagos Archipelago including Diego Garcia, should not be ratified.

1399 PA Media Ltd parliamentary newswire coverageTabled: **4/06/25** Signatories: **10**

Rebecca Long Bailey
Kim Johnson
Grahame Morris
Apsana Begum
Neil Duncan-Jordan
Liz Saville Roberts

Mary Kelly Foy

Andy McDonald

Ian Lavery

That this House notes with concern the proposals by PA Media Ltd, trading name of the Press Association, to cut posts and merge the previously separate teams responsible for monitoring the House of Commons and House of Lords for the purposes of providing a newswire service to journalists, and reduce the number of dedicated political journalists covering Holyrood; further notes that the separation of these remits has allowed staff to ensure that updates on the organisation's Newswire service are accurate, trusted and hugely valued by outlets who need not rely on Hansard uploads, which are not available immediately after debates; fears the merger of this work will lead to less detailed coverage of events in both Houses and little to no coverage of activity in one House if journalists are directed to focus resources differently; notes that the proposals have been strongly condemned by the National Union of Journalists as a threat to public interest journalism on democratic activity by elected officials, with the public's ability to scrutinise parliamentarians negatively impacted if reporting on parliamentary activity is curtailed; and calls on PA Media Ltd to pause the implementation of these proposals and cuts to others in the Content team pending further meaningful discussions with the union and parliamentarians from across the two Houses and thorough consideration of alternative proposals.

1400 Mauritius Treaty (No. 2)Tabled: **4/06/25** Signatories: **9**

Jim Allister
Sarah Pochin
Alex Easton
Jim Shannon
Robin Swann
Gavin Robinson

Peter Lamb

Sammy Wilson

Sir Julian Lewis

That this House believes the Mauritius Treaty should not pass because completing the decolonisation of Mauritius cannot be achieved without reference to the people of the Chagos islands (See: UN 742 VII, 1953) who have not been afforded a voice in the treaty negotiations; observes that the Mauritian government cannot speak on their behalf because most Chagossians do not live in Mauritius where there is, in any event, evidence to suggest that they have experienced discrimination; acknowledges that the inclusion of the Chagos islands in the

same colony as Mauritius was arbitrary given that their peoples relate to different ethnicities and religions separated by 1,339 miles, such that had the colony been decolonised as a whole and then allowed to express self-determination, the formation of two separate countries would have been unsurprising; strongly believes that as the Chagossian people all live in UN Member states, exploiting their absence from their islands to validate the transfer of those islands to Mauritius without consulting them, simply compounds the injustice of their forcible removal, replacing one form of colonialism with another; also strongly objects to the extortionate costs of the treaty, and its deeply troubling geo-strategic implications given the close relationship between China and Mauritius, the first African country to enter into a free trade agreement with China, and its entering into an agreement with Russia the same week the treaty was announced to boost cooperation in fishing and marine research.

1401 **Scottish Rugby and the British and Irish Lions**

Tabled: **4/06/25** Signatories: **10**

Christine Jardine [R]

Wendy Chamberlain

Susan Murray

Helen Maguire

Jim Shannon

Adam Jogee

Jamie Stone

Euan Stainbank

That this House congratulates Pierre Schoeman and Duhan van der Merwe of Edinburgh Rugby on their selection for the British and Irish Lions squad ahead of their tour to Australia; also congratulates Scott Cummings, Zander Fagerson, Huw Jones, Blair Kinghorn, Finn Russell and Sione Tuipulotu from the Scottish Men's national team on their selection; commends the six players making their debut for the Lions on this tour; further commends the coaching staff, medical staff and physiotherapists, and the teams at Scottish Rugby and Edinburgh Rugby on their commitment, skill and dedication to the sport that has led to eight Scots in the squad; notes their first match will be a friendly against Argentina in Dublin on 20 June; and wishes them and the whole squad the best of luck ahead of their tour.

1405 Surrey Search and RescueTabled: **5/06/25** Signatories: **9**

Zöe Franklin
Helen Maguire
Wendy Chamberlain
Martin Wrigley
Wera Hobhouse
Mr Will Forster

Peter Lamb

That this House recognises Surrey Search and Rescue for their invaluable voluntary work in assisting the emergency services to find missing vulnerable adults and children; acknowledges their 24/7 commitment to supporting those in need; commends their team of over 80 people and search dogs for their tireless efforts to keep people safe, especially those with dementia and those at risk of suicide; further recognises their unsung role in bridging the gap between emergency services and vulnerable people; highlights the unseen but essential work of search and rescue organisations nationwide; and calls on the Government to further enable these organisations to continue their vital efforts.

1406 Proposed sale of Spirit AeroSystems and jobs in Northern IrelandTabled: **5/06/25** Signatories: **4**

Alex Easton
Colum Eastwood
Jim Allister
Sammy Wilson

That this House notes with deep concern the proposed sale of Spirit AeroSystems, a key employer in Northern Ireland and an integral part of the UK aerospace supply chain; recognises the strategic importance of Spirit's operations to major industry partners including Boeing, Airbus, and Bombardier; acknowledges the vital contribution of the workforce, represented by GMB and Unite the Union, in maintaining high-skilled manufacturing in the region; is alarmed by the potential loss of over 3,700 jobs and the wider economic impact across Northern Ireland; believes that the company should be kept together as a single, unified entity in order to maintain its operational integrity and safeguard the future of the UK aerospace sector; further notes the precedent of Government intervention in cases such as British Steel to protect strategically important industries; and calls on the Government to urgently convene a meeting with all relevant stakeholders and to explore all available options to ensure the continued viability of Spirit AeroSystems in the UK and the protection of all associated jobs.

1407 World Elder Abuse Awareness DayTabled: **5/06/25** Signatories: **7**

Rachael Maskell
Jo White
Apsana Begum
Richard Burgon
Neil Duncan-Jordan
Ian Lavery

Andrew George

That this House notes that 15 June 2025 marks World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD), an international occasion to highlight the abuse, neglect and exploitation experienced by older people; recognises the vital work of Hourglass, the only UK-wide charity dedicated to ending the abuse of older people, in supporting victim-survivors and raising awareness across communities; supports calls for more open, inclusive, and sustained dialogue about the abuse of older people to challenge stigma, support victim-survivors, and prevent future harm; further notes with concern that every year over 2.5 million people are affected by abuse, yet underreporting and public silence remain persistent barriers to action; calls on the Government to consult on a dedicated strategy to end violence and abuse against older people; and further calls on hon. Members to support WEEAD, amplify its message, and work towards a Safer Ageing Society where every older person is respected, heard, and protected.

1409 Chinese EmbassyTabled: **5/06/25** Signatories: **33**

Calum Miller
Helen Maguire
James MacCleary
Dr Danny Chambers
Wendy Chamberlain
Vikki Slade

Mr Joshua Reynolds
Mr Alistair Carmichael
John Milne
Jamie Stone
Andrew George

Tom Morrison
Manuela Perteghella
Mr Paul Kohler
Luke Taylor

Pippa Heylings
Munira Wilson
Alison Bennett
Charlie Maynard

That this House expresses deep concern about the proposed construction of a Chinese mega-Embassy in London; notes with alarm the potential national security risks which would result from the proposed Embassy, including an increased capacity for surveillance by the Chinese Communist Party; acknowledges the grave concerns raised by pro-democracy Chinese and Hong Kong activists about the proposals for a mega-Embassy; calls on the Government to ensure that there is the right to peacefully and safely protest outside the proposed site of the Embassy; further calls on the Government to include all Chinese officials, Hong Kong Special

Administrative Region officials and Chinese Communist Party-linked organisations on the enhanced tier of the Foreign Influence Registration Scheme; also calls on the Government to urgently publish its promised UK-China Audit, outlining the threats posed to the UK's values and interests by the Chinese Communist Party; and calls on the Government formally to block the construction of the new mega-Embassy.

1410 Lionesses and Welsh women's national team at the UEFA Women's European Championship in Switzerland

Tabled: **5/06/25** Signatories: **8**

Chris Bloore
Apsana Begum
Tom Morrison
Daniel Francis
Claire Young
Wera Hobhouse

Peter Swallow

Tristan Osborne

That this House offers its full support to both the England and Wales women's national football teams as they prepare to compete in the UEFA Women's European Championship, beginning on 2 July 2025 in Switzerland; acknowledges the England team, led by manager Sarina Wiegman, as the defending champions; celebrates the historic achievement of the Wales women's team, under the leadership of manager Rhian Wilkinson, in qualifying for their first ever UEFA Women's European Championship; recognises the continued growth and success of women's football in the UK and the inspiration it brings to fans of all ages; and wishes both squads the very best of luck for a successful and competitive tournament.