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Early Day Motions tabled on Thursday 26 June 2025

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New EDMs

1563 Checks on movement of used agricultural and forestry machinery from GB to NI

Tabled: **26/06/25** Signatories: **1**

Carla Lockhart

That this House expresses deep concern at the implementation, from 23 June 2025, of EU regulations requiring used agricultural and forestry machinery moving from Great Britain to Northern Ireland to comply with burdensome plant health requirements, including mandatory cleaning, pre-notification via the CHED-PP system, and the provision of either a Northern Ireland Plant Health Label (NIPHL) or a Phytosanitary Certificate; condemns the enforcement of these rules by UK authorities despite recent UK-EU agreements on Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) measures; notes the damaging impact on Northern Ireland's agri-food, machinery, and contracting sectors; further notes that this approach undermines the integrity of the UK internal market and places disproportionate and unnecessary burdens on local traders; and calls on the Government to urgently challenge this imposition, halt its enforcement, and defend the economic and constitutional interests of Northern Ireland within the United Kingdom.

1564 Hannah Beaton-Hawryluk MBE

Tabled: **26/06/25** Signatories: **1**

Christine Jardine

That this House congratulates South Queensferry resident Hannah Beaton-Hawryluk on her award of an MBE in the 2024 Birthday Honours; recognises her work for the Association of

Ukrainians in Great Britain (AUGB) as Chair of its Edinburgh branch; notes her Ukrainian heritage inspired her to join the group as her father settled in Edinburgh after the Second World War; further notes she became Chair of the group in March 2022 shortly after the full-scale invasion of Ukraine, having left her job at the Royal Botanic Garden to dedicate herself to the AUGB; commends her efforts in raising more than £5.5 million in aid for Ukrainian refugees since 2022, and in setting up a regular programme of activities for refugees in Edinburgh; further commends her focus on ensuring Ukrainian children can continue speaking their mother tongue; and wishes her and her family an enjoyable day at her investiture ceremony this month, and further success for the AUGB.

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.

1451 **UK Government recognition of the state of Palestine**

Tabled: **12/06/25** Signatories: **109**

Andy McDonald
Richard Burgon
Abtisam Mohamed
Brian Leishman
Calum Miller
Brendan O'Hara

Max Wilkinson

That this House notes the high-level international conference for the peaceful settlement of the question of Palestine and the implementation of the two-state solution of 17-20 June 2025; welcomes the Prime Minister's remarks that Palestinian statehood is the inalienable right of the Palestinian people; reaffirms the position of the House of 13 October 2014 that the Government should recognise the state of Palestine alongside the state of Israel as a contribution to securing a negotiated two state solution; and urges the Government to use the upcoming UN conference to declare its recognition of the state of Palestine.

1463 World darts victoryTabled: **16/06/25** Signatories: **6**

Jim Allister
Jim Shannon
Robin Swann
Alex Easton
Andrew Rosindell
Ayoub Khan

That this House congratulates Josh Rock and Daryl Gurney on clinching Northern Ireland's historic first ever World Cup of Darts with their splendid weekend victory in Germany.

1466 Learning Disability Week 2025Tabled: **16/06/25** Signatories: **17**

Mr Lee Dillon
Helen Maguire
Wera Hobhouse
Jim Shannon
Jess Brown-Fuller
Claire Young

Ayoub Khan

That this House commemorates Learning Disability Week 2025; notes that this year's theme is Do You See Me, which aims to ensure that people with a learning disability are seen, heard, included, and valued in all aspects of life, while celebrating the contributions that people with learning disabilities make to society; congratulates The Yume Project in Newbury, West Berkshire, an independent provider of day activities for adults with learning disabilities, on hosting a free arts exhibition to mark Learning Disability Week; recognises the hard work and dedication of The Yume Project, which was formed by a group of former care workers made redundant after cuts to the council's adult social care services in 2011, with the council subsequently providing funding and training to help the group become established and support those without access to services; and calls on the Government to provide additional support to local authorities to help sustain projects such as this.

1468 **New blood cancer drug**Tabled: **16/06/25** Signatories: **24**

Clive Jones [R]
Helen Maguire
Wera Hobhouse
Jim Shannon
Jess Brown-Fuller
Martin Wrigley

Ayoub Khan

That this House notes that blood cancer is the UK's third largest cancer killer and that myeloma remains an incurable blood cancer; welcomes the recent announcement that the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence have approved belantamab mafodotin to treat myeloma; further welcomes that eligible patients in the UK will be the first in the world to have access to the innovative drug; congratulates the hard work of the scientists who are at the forefront of fighting cancer; and calls on the Government to make the UK a superpower in cancer research.

1470 **Nablus**Tabled: **16/06/25** Signatories: **6**

Stephen Gethins
Chris Law
Graham Leadbitter
Brendan O'Hara
Ellie Chowns
Ayoub Khan

That this House condemns the Israeli government's expansion of military activity in Nablus; expresses concern that humanitarian efforts to deliver aid in Nablus have been obstructed; calls on the UK Government to demand full humanitarian access into Nablus, including the provision of the FBU appliance donation to the firefighters of Nablus; recognises that 2025 marks the 45-year anniversary of twinning of Dundee with the Palestinian city of Nablus in 1980; commends all of those who continue to maintain the links between the two cities; and urges the UK Government to follow the City of Dundee's lead by recognising Palestine as an independent state as the best way to move towards a just and durable long-term peace.

1488 Harmful chemicals in period productsTabled: **17/06/25** Signatories: **39****Martin Wrigley****Tom Morrison****Wendy Chamberlain****Claire Hanna****Sorcha Eastwood****Sarah Dyke**

Monica Harding

That this House notes that recent testing by PAN UK and the Women's Environmental Network found glyphosate, a probable carcinogen, in period products; further notes that tests on period products over the last 20 years have also found them to include a range of potentially harmful chemicals, heavy metals and pesticides; notes that research has shown period products to be an important and much overlooked source of exposure to endocrine disrupting substances for women, girls and those who menstruate; expresses concern that period products remain largely unregulated; calls on the Government to deliver robust testing of period products and to introduce a legal requirement for manufacturers to disclose the ingredients and additives used in their period products; and further calls for all period products provided in schools and public facilities to meet high standards for safety and health.

1492 Military escalation between Israel and IranTabled: **17/06/25** Signatories: **10****Brian Leishman****John McDonnell****Bell Ribeiro-Addy****Jeremy Corbyn****Apsana Begum****Ellie Chowns**

Ayoub Khan

That this House expresses immense concern at the escalating military confrontation between Israel and Iran, which has already claimed hundreds of civilian lives and risks igniting a full-scale regional war; notes that both the Israeli Government and Iranian regime have long records of repressing dissent, violating international law, and disregarding civilian life; believes this crisis stems from militarism, occupation, foreign interference, and a collective failure to prioritise diplomacy, justice, and human rights; recognises that the recent escalation has been fuelled by Israel's occupation of Palestinian land, repeated unilateral cross-border military actions and growing defiance of international laws; condemns the Iranian regime's repression of its people, persecution of women and minorities, and destabilising regional role – including its military support for armed terrorist groups and repeated threats against Israel; further notes with alarm mounting evidence that elements within the Israeli state view this escalation as part of a wider strategy to overthrow the Iranian government – an ambition

that risks broader regional conflict and destabilisation, with potentially severe consequences for civilian populations; further condemns the UK's complicity through continued arms sales and diplomatic cover, enabling not only the collective punishment of Palestinians but now broader regional escalation; calls on the Government to demand an immediate ceasefire, end arms sales to all parties involved and support diplomatic efforts to de-escalate tensions; and reaffirms this House's commitment to a foreign policy based on international law, human rights, and the pursuit of lasting peace and dignity for all peoples in the region.

1507 **Democracy in Hong Kong**

Tabled: **18/06/25** Signatories: **28**

Calum Miller
Luke Taylor
Wera Hobhouse
Martin Wrigley
Tom Gordon
Andrew George

Siân Berry

Adrian Ramsay

That this House believes this country has a proud record of standing up for Hong Kongers; condemns the Chinese Communist Party (CCP)'s interference in Hong Kong's democracy, including through the 2020 National Security Law; further condemns the CCP's efforts to intimidate Hong Kongers living abroad who are critical of the Chinese state; notes with grave concern that according to the Political Prisoner Database there are now over 1,600 political prisoners held in China, including Jimmy Lai; views as abhorrent CCP-sponsored efforts to threaten, intimidate and place bounties on democracy activists from Hong Kong who live in the UK through the distribution of posters and letters on UK soil to neighbours; further condemns actions by the Hong Kong authorities to intimidate and imprison the family members of Hong Kong democracy activists living in the UK; calls on the Government to put in place further mechanisms for pro-democracy Hong Kong activists to receive specific support in relation to allegations of intimidation by CCP-linked groups; further calls on the Government to support police training to help better identify cases of state-sponsored political intimidation; also calls on the Government to fill the gaps in the British National (Overseas) (BNO) visa scheme and to extend BNO integration funding for Hong Kongers in the UK for the duration of the Parliament; and calls for the inclusion of employees of the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office in London on the enhanced tier of the Foreign Influence Registration Scheme.

1508 Methanol poisoning, UK traveller safety and education in schoolsTabled: **18/06/25** Signatories: **27**

Tom Morrison
Martin Wrigley
Andrew George
Adam Dance
Ellie Chowns
Helen Maguire

Siân Berry

Adrian Ramsay

That this House is deeply concerned by ongoing deaths and serious injuries among UK nationals overseas caused by methanol poisoning, where industrial alcohol is unknowingly consumed in counterfeit or contaminated spirits; notes that methanol poisoning has occurred in countries including Indonesia, Laos, India, Brazil, Greece and within Europe; further notes the 2023 findings of coroner Alison Mutch following the death of a British citizen in Bali, highlighting low public awareness, inadequate Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office guidance and the lack of a UK Government campaign; regrets that UK travel advice requires users to navigate multiple sections and uses insufficiently strong language; contrasts this with the Australian Government's proactive approach to warning its citizens; recognises that methanol poisoning symptoms are often mistaken for ordinary alcohol intoxication, delaying life-saving treatment; is concerned that travel industry guidance, including that from ABTA, remains minimal; believes stronger public health messaging is urgently required, including clearer online advice, outreach through universities and GPs, and warning materials akin to cigarette packaging campaigns; supports the use of student ambassadors, visual media and real-life case studies to raise awareness; calls on the Government and travel industry to adopt a more robust and visible approach to informing travellers about the dangers of methanol poisoning and staying safe; and further believes that education on this should begin earlier, and supports the inclusion of methanol poisoning awareness within the PSHE curriculum in secondary schools, supported by centrally developed teaching materials and audio-visual resources, to ensure young people are better equipped before travelling.

1512 Myeloma Awareness Week 2025Tabled: **19/06/25** Signatories: **12**

Sorcha Eastwood
Andrew Rosindell
Mr Clive Betts
Graeme Downie
Andrew George
Jim Shannon

Siân Berry

Adrian Ramsay

Ayoub Khan

That this House recognises that 16 to 22 June is Myeloma Awareness Week; is concerned that myeloma has one of the longest times to diagnosis of any cancer; welcomes the Know the

Warning Signs campaign from Myeloma UK which aims to raise awareness of the most common symptoms of myeloma including fatigue, back pain, and recurring infections; further welcomes the symptom translator that Myeloma UK has released to help aid conversations between GPs and patients, as describing the vague symptoms can be tricky; and calls on hon. Members to download Myeloma UK's symptom translator and take it to their local GPs to help GPs diagnose myeloma sooner.

1518 **Shared Lives Carers**

Tabled: **19/06/25** Signatories: **21**

Martin Wrigley

Brian Mathew

Helen Maguire

Jim Shannon

Wera Hobhouse

Adam Dance

Ayoub Khan

That this House recognises the exceptional work of Shared Lives Carers across the UK, particularly through services such as Shared Lives South West, which supports over 450 people across Cornwall, Devon, Plymouth, Torbay, and Somerset through long-term placements, respite care, and day support in family settings; acknowledges that Shared Lives offers a person-centred, community-based, and cost-effective alternative to traditional models of residential or institutional care, delivering better outcomes for adults with learning disabilities, autism, mental health needs, dementia, and older people; notes that the Shared Lives model promotes independence, meaningful relationships, and improved mental health; expresses concern that Shared Lives remains under-utilised due to low public awareness, challenges in recruiting and retaining carers, and inconsistent investment by some local authorities; calls on the Government to fully integrate Shared Lives into the development of a National Care Service; urges the Department of Health and Social Care to provide targeted funding for the national membership body Shared Lives Plus, issue clear guidance to local authorities on the model's benefits, and commission a national review of fees to ensure Shared Lives Carers are paid fairly for their vital work; and further calls on all hon. Members to support the expansion and recognition of Shared Lives as a vital component of the UK's adult social care system.

1520 Residential estate management companiesTabled: **19/06/25** Signatories: **17**

Mr Lee Dillon
Dr Danny Chambers
David Chadwick
Helen Maguire
Mr Will Forster
Jim Shannon

Ayoub Khan

That this House notes with concern the rising service costs that many freeholders are currently facing from residential estate management companies; recognises that many people are experiencing significant financial strain due to the ongoing cost of living crisis, which is exacerbated by forecasted service charges, some of which may exceed £12,000 for the next year; further notes with concern that despite these excessively high service charges, maintenance of land and communal areas remains extremely poor, with reports of grass not being cut for months and roads left riddled with potholes; urges management companies to improve their communication with residents to ensure that concerns are properly addressed in a timely manner; and calls on the Government to introduce regulations requiring residential estate management companies to ensure that service charges are fair and affordable, and to guarantee that residents receive an appropriate level of service for the fees they pay.

1521 Bank charges for micro-charitiesTabled: **20/06/25** Signatories: **17**

Helen Maguire
Wera Hobhouse
Mr Will Forster
Wendy Chamberlain
Ben Maguire
Sarah Dyke

Siân Berry

Adrian Ramsay

Ayoub Khan

That this House is concerned by the introduction of bank charges on accounts held by charities and community organisations with annual incomes ranging from £1 to £250,000; notes that this change disproportionately affects micro-charities and grassroots groups, including those with incomes of only a few hundred pounds per year, for whom even modest fees represent a significant burden; further notes that these charges risk undermining the financial viability of essential local organisations that provide vital services and support in communities across the UK; recognises that micro-charities, defined as those with annual incomes of £0–£10,000, often operate entirely through volunteer effort and rely heavily on small donations and minimal resources; and therefore calls on banks to implement a minimum income threshold of £10,000 before account fees are applied, to safeguard the work of the smallest charities and

community groups and ensure they can continue their contributions without facing avoidable financial hardship.

1522 **Press ownership by foreign states**

Tabled: **20/06/25** Signatories: **28**

Max Wilkinson
Dr Roz Savage
Wera Hobhouse
Mr Will Forster
Helen Maguire
Liz Jarvis

Siân Berry

Adrian Ramsay

That this House recognises that a free press is the cornerstone of our democracy; understands that holding power to account relies on journalistic independence and editorial freedom; notes with concern that foreign state ownership of national newspapers risks allowing foreign states to undermine the independence and integrity of British journalism; further recognises that the Government's proposed 15% non-cumulative threshold opens the door to foreign state influence in our press; and calls on the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport to remove the right of foreign states to own any part of the British news media ecosystem immediately.

1523 **Protected title for anaesthetists**

Tabled: **20/06/25** Signatories: **9**

Michelle Welsh
Robin Swann
Ellie Chowns
Jim Shannon
Dr Simon Opher
Siân Berry

Adrian Ramsay

Ayoub Khan

Peter Prinsley

That this House notes that the job title anaesthetist is not currently legally protected for use by doctors; further notes that two thirds of patients staying in hospital have contact with anaesthetists; believes that protecting the title would increase patient confidence in who they were being treated by; acknowledges that the term anaesthesiologist is used for the profession in other countries and may be adopted in the UK in the future; and calls on the Government to use forthcoming legislation around medical regulation to protect both terms.

1525 Cancer Prevention Action Week on alcohol and cancerTabled: **20/06/25** Signatories: **8**

Cat Smith
Ellie Chowns
Jim Shannon
Mary Kelly Foy
Iqbal Mohamed
Jon Trickett

Siân Berry

Adrian Ramsay

That this House commemorates Cancer Prevention Action Week on alcohol and cancer organised by World Cancer Research Fund and supported by 25 organisations working to reduce alcohol harm and cancer incidence and improve public health; acknowledges that alcohol is a Group One carcinogen and a well-established modifiable risk factor for seven cancer types, including two of the most common in the UK, breast and bowel; highlights that these risks are present even at low levels of consumption; notes with concern that a poll commissioned by the World Cancer Research Fund found that only 7% of the British public were aware that alcohol is linked to cancer when asked unprompted; acknowledges that Government policy on alcohol does not reflect that it is responsible for around 17,000 cancer diagnoses annually; recognises that the covid-19 pandemic led to an increase in high risk drinking behaviours which could result in 18,785 extra cancer cases by 2035; urges the Government to introduce a comprehensive national alcohol strategy for England, without delay, which includes mandatory health warnings, marketing restrictions and minimum unit pricing; stresses that the strategy must align with a focus on alcohol as a risk factor in the National Cancer Plan for England; recognises the importance of working with devolved administrations to tackle alcohol-attributable cancers; and affirms that, in taking bold action, the Government will make significant strides in its health mission to shift from sickness to prevention, and achieve its ambitions to reduce NHS waiting times, address health inequalities and grow the economy.

1526 Impact of proposed immigration changes on migrants living in the UKTabled: **20/06/25** Signatories: **14**

Pippa Heylings
Wera Hobhouse
Mr Will Forster
Sarah Dyke
Tom Gordon
Martin Wrigley

Siân Berry

Ayoub Khan

That this House is deeply concerned by proposals outlined in the White Paper entitled Restoring control over the immigration system, published on 12 May 2025, to extend the qualifying period for settlement from five to ten years; notes that this change has created significant uncertainty and anxiety for thousands of individuals and families who are already building their lives in the

UK and are now facing uncertainty about their future; acknowledges the essential contribution made by many highly skilled workers who may be affected by this policy, especially those employed in the NHS and technology sectors; expresses deep concern at the absence of clarity in the White Paper regarding the impact on British National (Overseas) visa holders from the Hong Kong community, many of whom have made significant life changes based on a promise of a clear and fair route to settlement and citizenship; recognises the distress caused by this ambiguity and the urgent need for reassurance; and calls on the Government to confirm that the qualifying period of settlement for people already building their lives in the UK will remain at five years, providing much needed certainty for migrants that will enable smoother integration into their communities and reduce bureaucracy costs.

1527 **Visas and access to education for Ukrainian refugee children**

Tabled: **20/06/25** Signatories: **20**

Pippa Heylings
Dr Roz Savage
Mr Will Forster
Helen Maguire
Sarah Dyke
Tom Gordon

Siân Berry

Adrian Ramsay

That this House expresses serious concern about the detrimental impact of short-term visas granted under the Ukraine Sponsorship and Ukraine Family Schemes on the education and wellbeing of Ukrainian refugee children in the UK; notes the case of a Year 9 student living in south Cambridgeshire, whose limited 18-month visa leaves her uncertain whether she will be permitted to remain in the UK to complete her secondary education and sit GCSE exams; further notes that this situation is widespread, with many families due to apply for extensions under the Ukraine Permission Extension Scheme, which also only provides a further 18 months of leave; highlights the stress and instability caused by this uncertainty, particularly for those seeking to access GCSEs, A-levels, university places and student finance, and for adults attempting to retrain or gain professional accreditation; draws attention to the Government's statutory obligation under section 17 of the Children Act 1989 to safeguard and promote the welfare of children; and calls on the Government to urgently review the implications of short-term leave for displaced Ukrainian families and to provide guarantees that children will be able to remain in the UK to complete their education and sit public exams, clear guidance on eligibility for student finance and access to higher education and a more flexible and longer-term visa extension process that allows families to plan, integrate and contribute without fear of disruption.

1529 Gurkha pensionsTabled: **20/06/25** Signatories: **18****David Chadwick****Dr Roz Savage****Wera Hobhouse****Mr Will Forster****Helen Maguire****Sarah Dyke**

Siân Berry

Adrian Ramsay

Ayoub Khan

That this House honours the extraordinary loyalty and service of the Gurkha soldiers who have fought alongside British forces for over 200 years; notes with deep concern that thousands of Gurkha veterans who retired before 1 July 1997 remain trapped on inferior pensions under the outdated Gurkha Pension Scheme, leaving many in poverty here in the UK, including in communities such as Brecon where Gurkha veterans and their families have made an enduring contribution; condemns this longstanding injustice, which denies these veterans the full recognition and support they deserve; rejects the Government's current transfer offer as wholly inadequate and financially punitive; believes that all Gurkhas, regardless of date of retirement, should be granted full access to the Armed Forces Pension Scheme on an equal, year-for-year basis; further believes that this ongoing discrimination against Gurkha veterans is a dereliction of the UK's moral duty under the Armed Forces Covenant; and calls on the Government to act without further delay to end this injustice and ensure that every Gurkha veteran receives the full and equal pension they have earned through their loyal service to the United Kingdom.

1530 Role of relationship education in preventing violence against women and girlsTabled: **20/06/25** Signatories: **30****Helen Maguire****Dr Roz Savage****Wera Hobhouse****Claire Young****Mr Will Forster****Martin Wrigley**

Calum Miller

That this House recognises the critical role of comprehensive, age-appropriate relationship education in preventing violence against women and girls (VAWG); notes with concern that many young people are growing up in environments where harmful and misogynistic messages are prevalent both online and offline; acknowledges that without early, preventative education focusing on respect, consent, boundaries, and recognising coercive behaviour, efforts to combat VAWG address symptoms rather than root causes; highlights that one in four women and one in six men will experience domestic abuse in their lifetime, with those aged 16–19 being most at risk; further notes that despite increasing political attention, sexual assault rates among women have risen in recent years; believes that embedding relationship education in

schools is vital to challenge harmful norms and promote healthy relationships; and calls on the Government to incentivise schools to extend Relationships, Sex and Health Education lessons to include 16-18 year-olds and invest in training for school staff to better understand the online spaces that young people navigate today.

1532 **Royal Surrey NHS Foundation Trust**

Tabled: **23/06/25** Signatories: **6**

Zöe Franklin
Jim Shannon
Mr Will Forster
Mr Angus MacDonald
Sarah Dyke
Dr Al Pinkerton

That this House congratulates Royal Surrey NHS Foundation Trust on being rated outstanding for leadership in its latest report from the Care Quality Commission; commends chief executive Louise Stead and her senior team for delivering clear strategic direction, compassionate leadership, and a strong culture of staff engagement and improvement; notes that the Trust's leadership was recognised for its inclusivity, responsiveness, and focus on patient-centred care; highlights that the Trust has set a national example for good governance, quality improvement, and values-led leadership; and calls on the Government to ensure NHS Trusts are empowered and supported to adopt similarly effective leadership models for the benefit of patients and staff across the country.

1533 **International Women in Engineering Day**

Tabled: **23/06/25** Signatories: **17**

Sarah Dyke
Mr Lee Dillon
Helen Maguire
Jim Shannon
Wera Hobhouse
Martin Wrigley

Ellie Chowns
Ayoub Khan

Siân Berry

Adrian Ramsay

That this House celebrates International Women in Engineering Day (INWED), held annually on 23 June, to raise the profile of women in engineering and inspire more young women and girls to consider careers in the sector; recognises that INWED, brought to life by the Women's Engineering Society, celebrates its 12th anniversary in 2025 under the theme TogetherWeEngineer, promoting inclusion and diversity across the engineering industry; acknowledges with concern that women remain significantly underrepresented in engineering, with women making up only 16.5% of the workforce in 2022 falling to 15.7% in 2024, with

many women aged 35 to 44 leaving the profession; believes that INWED plays a vital role in increasing the visibility of women engineers and closing the skills gap through celebrating the achievements of women; and calls on the Government to support policies and educational practices that promote gender equality, whilst showcasing role models to increase the participation of women in engineering and wider STEM careers.

1535 Taxi and private vehicle hire licensing

Tabled: **23/06/25** Signatories: **4**

Jo White
Jim Shannon
Ellie Chowns
Siân Berry

That this House believes that there are growing concerns about cross-border hiring of taxis and private hire vehicles, where drivers obtain licenses in areas with less stringent regulations and then operate in areas with higher standards or greater demand; further believes that this can lead to inconsistent safety and vehicle standards, unfair competition and there is the potential that this is compromising public safety and security; and calls for immediate action to ensure that taxis and private hire vehicles can only be licensed in the area where they operate or where the business and vehicle is permanently located.

1537 International Yoga Day 2025

Tabled: **23/06/25** Signatories: **7**

Tom Gordon
Helen Maguire
Jim Shannon
Ian Roome
Mr Angus MacDonald
Sarah Dyke

Ayoub Khan

That this House recognises International Yoga Day on 21 June, a global celebration established by the United Nations in 2014 to raise awareness of the many benefits of practising yoga; acknowledges that yoga offers inclusive and accessible ways to improve both physical and mental wellbeing through movement, breathwork, and mindfulness; commends the work of community leaders and teachers across the UK who offer welcoming, non-judgemental spaces for people of all ages and abilities to connect and unwind; and in particular, applauds Harrogate-based yoga teacher Guneet Khurana, who marked International Yoga Day by offering a free and inclusive yoga session in Valley Gardens on Sunday 22 June, promoting wellbeing, connection, and calm in the local community.

1539 Baby loss kitsTabled: **23/06/25** Signatories: **9**

Jo White
Jim Shannon
Shockat Adam
Michelle Welsh
Jon Trickett
Ellie Chowns

Andy MacNae

Adrian Ramsay

Siân Berry

That this House notes that over 500 miscarriages occur daily in the UK and that many women have to resort to using makeshift materials to collect baby loss remains; further notes the recommendations of the 2023 Pregnancy Loss Review that the NHS should develop and deliver a Compassionate Clinical Care Kit including a receptacle and a container in which to collect and store the baby's remains; applauds Laura Corcoran and the Dignity Care Network for developing the Miscarriage Collection Cradle and Storage Container for safe and respectful collection and storage of baby loss remains; and urges the Government to implement the recommendations of the 2023 Pregnancy Loss Review including providing a baby loss kit via the NHS when a miscarriage is expected or likely to take place in a home or clinical setting.

1540 Human rights in Burma/MyanmarTabled: **23/06/25** Signatories: **4**

Jim Shannon
Ellie Chowns
Adrian Ramsay
Siân Berry

That this House expresses its grave concern about the continuing egregious human rights violations and desperate humanitarian crisis in Burma/Myanmar; notes with alarm that over 4 million people have been forcibly displaced; further notes with concern that more than 100,000 homes, along with hospitals, schools, and places of worship have been destroyed in the course of the military's attacks against civilians; condemns the military regime's systematic attacks on civilians, including almost 400 airstrikes since devastated earthquakes on 28 March 2025; calls for the immediate and unconditional release of the estimated 22,115 political prisoners remain in jail in Myanmar today, including the country's democratically elected head of government Aung San Suu Kyi and the President, U Win Myint; urges the Government of the United Kingdom to increase its leadership role and use its influence to mobilise the international community to take action to end the human rights crisis, increase humanitarian assistance to the people of Myanmar, support efforts to establish a genuine, inclusive federal democracy and hold the perpetrators of mass atrocity crimes to account; further urges the United Kingdom and the international community to support locally-led institutions and programs and to intensify pressure on the military regime through the implementation of robust, targeted sanctions; and

calls on the United Kingdom to bring the crisis in Myanmar as an agenda item to the United Nations Security Council as a matter of urgency.

1542 **Prison education insourcing**

Tabled: **23/06/25** Signatories: **25**

Kim Johnson
Liz Saville Roberts
Ian Byrne
Charlotte Nichols
Brian Leishman
Ian Lavery

Ms Diane Abbott
Siân Berry

Rachel Gilmour

Adrian Ramsay

That this House notes the worrying state of prison education, with 82 percent of prison and young offender institutions judged by Ofsted as requiring improvement or inadequate for overall effectiveness of education, skills and work provision; further notes that contracts for the new Prison Education Service (PES) have recently been awarded, with groups of prisons assigned to one of three providers, all of which previously delivered education under the Prison Education Framework; notes that prison educators are paid less in England than their counterparts in other further education workplaces, with the Education Select Committee warning in 2022 that poor pay, lack of career development, unsafe working environments and no time or respect to do a quality job has left the recruitment and retention of qualified and experienced prison educators at crisis point; believes rehabilitation should be at the heart of incarceration, and education should be at the heart of rehabilitation, but outsourcing has for years diverted vital resources away from the development, design and delivery of truly meaningful prison education and has overseen the de-professionalisation of education into a commodity, failing prisoners, staff and wider society alike; and calls on the Government to explore all legal options for terminating the PES contracting process immediately and instead insourcing all such provision under an effectively resourced, publicly owned national prison education system that supports educators to deliver a broad and balanced curriculum to prisoners, with a national contract for prison education staff and parity of esteem with further education.

1544 **Biology and pregnancy**

Tabled: **24/06/25** Signatories: **4**

Rupert Lowe
Sir Desmond Swayne
Jim Shannon
Andrew Rosindell

That this House reaffirms the undeniable scientific fact that only women can become pregnant.

1548 Funding for British Transport PoliceTabled: **24/06/25** Signatories: **8****Martin Rhodes****Neil Duncan-Jordan****Jim Shannon****Cat Smith****Ellie Chowns****Adrian Ramsay**

Siân Berry

Ayoub Khan

That this House celebrates the vital role that British Transport Police (BTP) play in ensuring the security and efficiency of the transport network; recognises that BTP are a specialised force with skills unique to working on the transport network, for example, trained in rail safety, suicide prevention, and responding to trespassers on the line; notes that for the 2023-24 period, the previous Conservative government asked the BTP to find £5 million savings, and that this year, while the BTP requested a budget increase of 9.8%, the British Transport Police Authority have agreed only 4.6%; further notes that the force now faces an unprecedented £8.5m funding deficit that threatens jobs, and the safety and efficiency of our railways; understands that proposed job cuts and station closures will leave significant gaps in coverage, particularly in the West Coast Main Line, where there may be no BTP presence between Preston and Glasgow; also notes that as resources have been cut, levels of recorded crime on the transport network have increased; and believes that this underscores the urgent need for a fully funded BTP and that the transition to Great British Railways presents a key opportunity to rethink funding arrangements for the force with a funding settlement that secures our railways, making them safer and more efficient for passengers and transport workers.

1550 Contribution of technical collegesTabled: **24/06/25** Signatories: **10****Alex Brewer****Mr Angus MacDonald****Wera Hobhouse****Claire Young****Sarah Dyke****Sarah Gibson**

Ellie Chowns

That this House recognises the immense contribution technical colleges make to the economy, the lives of young people and society more widely; notes that the range of courses and qualifications offered by these colleges enables their students to gain invaluable skills that will set them up for success in the future; further recognises these colleges for their role in improving job prospects and giving confidence to those concluding their education and about to start their career; commends the work of technical colleges serving Hampshire residents, including both Basingstoke and Farnborough Colleges of Technology, whose students have

gone on to serve and support local businesses with their acquired skills and qualifications; and congratulates the Hospitality and Catering Students at the Basingstoke College of Technology for their incredible performance at the recent 2025 British Culinary Championships, with all participants achieving a silver medal or higher, including Best in Class.

1553 50th anniversary of Bethany Free Presbyterian Church, Portadown

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

Carla Lockhart

Mr Gregory Campbell

Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates Bethany Free Presbyterian Church in Portadown on reaching its 50th anniversary; acknowledges the faithful witness and spiritual leadership the Church has provided to the local community over five decades; pays tribute to the ministry of the late Rev. Kenneth Elliott, whose foundational work and vision were instrumental in establishing and growing the congregation; recognises the continuing commitment and leadership of the current minister, Rev. Darryl Abernethy, under whose guidance the church remains steadfast in its gospel witness; and commends the congregation for its unwavering dedication to the preaching of the Word of God, its service to the people of Portadown, and its ongoing role in the life and ministry of the Free Presbyterian Church of Ulster.

1554 Aberdeen International Airport, winner of Airport of the Year

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

Stephen Flynn

Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates Aberdeen International Airport on being named Airport of the Year at the Scottish Transport Awards; understands that in order to receive the prestigious award from the Scottish Transport Awards, the airport demonstrated a commitment to sustainability, innovation, community engagement and providing a high-quality service to all passengers; commends the hard work and dedication of all frontline and behind-the-scenes staff at Aberdeen International Airport; and wishes them the very best for the future.

1555 Camstradden Primary School City of Dance Finals

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

Patricia Ferguson

Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates the Street Freakz dance team of Camstradden Primary School in Glasgow West constituency on winning the Premiership Award at the Glasgow City of Dance Finals; commends Miss Murray for her hard work preparing the team and the pupils for their

passion, dedication and success; notes that this is the second year in a row that Camstradden Primary's team has reached the finals of the competition; thanks City of Dance and Physical Education, Physical Activity and School Sport Glasgow for hosting a successful competition developing young people's confidence, creativity and performance skills; and congratulates all of the young people who took part in the competition.

1556 Waiting times for child and adolescent mental health services in Wiltshire

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

Sarah Gibson

Jim Shannon

That this House expresses concern that, according to data provided in response to Written Parliamentary Question 59837, 2,565 children and young people in Wiltshire were not seen within four weeks of being referred to NHS mental health services during the 2024-25 period; notes that of the 6,755 referrals for under-18s, only 2,900 were seen within the recommended 28-day timeframe, while 1,290 referrals ended without contact; further notes the importance of early intervention in mental health to prevent escalation and harm; recognises the strain placed on families and NHS services when timely support is unavailable; believes that children and young people deserve prompt and effective access to mental health care; and supports measures to improve provision, including increased investment in services, regular mental health check-ups for young people, community-based mental health hubs, and the placement of qualified mental health professionals in every school.

1557 Burial of stillborn babies in unmarked graves

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

Sarah Gibson

Ellie Chowns

Wera Hobhouse

Siân Berry

Adrian Ramsay

Tom Morrison

Jim Shannon

That this House expresses its deep concern at the revelation that an estimated 89,000 stillborn babies were buried in unmarked communal graves in the United Kingdom up until the late 1980s; regrets that in many cases, bereaved parents were neither informed of their child's burial location nor given the opportunity to participate in or consent to arrangements; acknowledges the distress this has caused to families who were often denied the chance to grieve or commemorate their loss; commends the individuals and organisations who have worked to raise awareness of this issue and support those affected; believes that this historic practice represents a failure to treat stillbirth with the dignity and compassion it deserves; and calls on the Government to ensure that all available burial records are preserved and made accessible,

to promote national recognition of the impact on bereaved families, to make it easier for families and communities to mark and memorialise the sites of historic mass graves, and to work with relevant organisations to support remembrance and healing.

1558 Scottish Album of the Year Award and Dundee

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

Chris Law

Jim Shannon

That this House welcomes the announcement that the Scottish Album of the Year Award will be hosted in Dundee in 2025, 2026 and 2027; notes that the event in Dundee's Caird Hall in November this year will be the first time the event will be hosted outside of Scotland's Central Belt; recognises that this announcement has only been made possible through a three-year partnership between the Scottish Music Industry Association and Leisure and Culture Dundee, V&A Dundee and Unesco Dundee City of Design; further recognises the important role that the host venue, Caird Hall, has played in the history of music in both Tayside and Scotland, bringing acts to Dundee through the years including The Beatles, Frank Sinatra, David Bowie and Led Zeppelin; recognises that nominations for the coveted prize will open on 1 July; and wishes the organisers of the event and all eventual nominees all the best ahead of the event on 20 November later this year.

1559 Winners of the Scottish Charity Awards 2025

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

Mr Angus MacDonald

Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates all winners and finalists of the Scottish Charity Awards 2025, organised by the Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations to celebrate outstanding contributions to Scotland's voluntary sector; notes that the 2025 shortlist included 41 individuals and organisations from charities, social enterprises and community groups across the country; further congratulates Juliet Blackie of Mallaig RNLI on being named Volunteer of the Year, recognising her dedication and transformational leadership of the Mallaig lifeboat station shop, which she has brought to six-day opening, recruited eight new volunteers for, and helped increase income by over £32,000 since 2022; also congratulates Louise Anderson of New Start Highland on winning Employee of the Year, highlighting her life-changing work as Positive Activities Coordinator, supporting over 30 people in recovery through pathways into education, employment, housing and sobriety; and commends Rape and Sexual Abuse Service Highland for being Highly Commended in the Charity of the Year (turnover over £500,000) category, recognising its vital work across the Highlands in supporting survivors and challenging sexual violence.

1560 90th birthday of His Holiness the 14th Dalai LamaTabled: **25/06/25** Signatories: **3**

Chris Law
Wera Hobhouse
Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama ahead of his 90th birthday on 6 July 2025; recognises this will mark the start of the Year of Compassion, celebrating the inspiring role that the Dalai Lama has played in the Tibetan people's peaceful struggle for an end to the Tibet-China conflict; further recognises this will be a joyous occasion for Tibetan communities around the world, as they commemorate the Dalai Lama's life, legacy, and profound spiritual and political leadership; notes the Dalai Lama has been recognised by a number of bodies and organisations for his role in Tibetan life, not least his award of the Nobel Peace Prize in 1989; wishes all in the Tibetan community both in the UK and abroad well ahead of the celebration events later this year; further notes the upcoming conference of religious heads and representatives of Tibetan Buddhist traditions, in which the Dalai Lama is expected to offer guidance on the matter of his reincarnation; and believes it is for the people of Tibet and for those in the Tibetan diaspora to decide upon the future reincarnation of the Dalai Lama.

1561 NaloxoneTabled: **25/06/25** Signatories: **4**

Adam Dance
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Wera Hobhouse
Jim Shannon

That this House recognises the importance of naloxone as a lifesaving medication that temporarily reverses the effects of an opioid overdose; expresses alarm at the broad rise of deaths involving opioids in recent years; acknowledges that an addiction to drugs is not a lifestyle choice, nor a moral flaw, but a chronic life-threatening health condition; notes that naloxone, administered as a nasal spray or injection, instantly and temporarily blocks the effects of the opioid taken, which gives enough time to call emergency services and for them to arrive, making it lifesaving; celebrates that naloxone can be legally administered by anyone in the UK in an emergency situation and recent progress in expanding access to naloxone; accepts that more needs to be done to urgently increase access to naloxone, train more first responders, and increase public awareness of naloxone; and therefore calls on the Government to ensure that naloxone is made available at key public locations, a national naloxone programme is introduced, and a national public awareness campaign is commissioned.

1562 Plant HealthTabled: **25/06/25** Signatories: **2****Jim Allister****Jim Shannon**

That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Phytosanitary Conditions (Amendment) Regulations 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 559), dated 7 May 2025, a copy of which was laid before this House on 8 May, be annulled.