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## Early Day Motions tabled on Wednesday 9 July 2025

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### New EDMs

1626      **Apprenticeships strategy**

Tabled: **9/07/25**      Signatories: **2**

**Grahame Morris**

**John McDonnell**

That this House believes that the scandal of low pay for apprentices must end and that apprentices need pay above the national living wage, covered by Collective Bargaining; is concerned that many apprenticeships are offered on fixed-term contracts, meaning there is no guaranteed offer of employment to follow; recognises that apprenticeships can be used as a cheap unit of labour without the full employment rights expected in other contractual work; is further concerned that outsourced training and education facilities are often inadequate and substandard; further recognises that not nearly enough new apprentices are being taken on in the rail industry and by the National Skills Academy for Rail, when over 5,000 each year are required to replace those nearing retirement; applauds the RMT union's recent publication of an Apprenticeships Charter; realises the need for growth targets for the industry with specific regard to skills gaps and the establishment of a new, centralised and fully-funded in-house Apprentice and Young Workers Railway Training Scheme; and calls on the Government to set an ambitious and fully-funded apprenticeship strategy to deliver these measures, involving Great British Railways to promote a pathway for uniformed, overalled and back-office apprenticeships that offer job guarantees, permanent contracts and workers' rights from day one.

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**1627 150th anniversary of Carleton Street Orange Hall**Tabled: **9/07/25** Signatories: **1****Carla Lockhart**

That this House congratulates Carleton Street Orange Hall and Heritage Centre in Portadown on its 150th anniversary; recognises the hall as one of the most historically significant and architecturally distinguished Orange halls in Northern Ireland, having served since 1875 as a central venue for Loyal Order organisations and a focal point for community and cultural life; welcomes the efforts to document and promote the hall's rich heritage through the publication of a new commemorative booklet; notes the hall's wartime role, including its use by British and American forces during the Second World War, and the removal of its original archway in 1940 under the Scrap for Victory campaign; further welcomes the reinstatement of a new archway as a meaningful act of historical restoration during this anniversary year; commends all those involved in organising events and exhibitions to mark this important milestone, with special recognition to the Carleton Street trustees, the hall committee and Portadown Heritage Tours for their dedication to preserving and celebrating local heritage; and supports the ongoing work to ensure the hall's legacy is maintained for future generations.

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**1628 Lochaber Young Writers**Tabled: **9/07/25** Signatories: **1****Mr Angus MacDonald**

That this House congratulates Harriet Spencer and Niamh Wright, pupils at Ardnamurchan High School, on their outstanding achievements in the 2024–25 Rotary Young Writer competition; notes that Harriet won the senior category and Niamh the intermediate category at local level, before progressing to the Rotary District level representing over 90 clubs across southern Scotland, where Harriet was awarded runner-up in the senior category and Niamh won the intermediate category; further notes that Niamh went on to achieve third place at the Great Britain and Ireland level for her story *The Sun, the Stars and Maria*, written on the theme of *Wonderful Water*; commends the support of Ardnamurchan High School, in particular English teacher Deborah White, as well as local judges Fiona Scott and Mark Entwistle; applauds Lochaber Rotary Club for fostering creative opportunities for young people; and wishes both Harriet and Niamh every success in their future writing endeavours.

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**1629 Lord Tebbit**Tabled: **9/07/25** Signatories: **1****Jim Allister**

That this House notes with sadness the passing of Lord Tebbit; recalls with gratitude his many years of public service; acknowledges his personal devotion and care towards his beloved wife following her devastating injuries in the Grand Hotel bombing in Brighton; salutes his personal courage and unwavering stand against terrorism and, in particular, his friendship towards

Northern Ireland and its many victims of IRA terrorism; and expresses condolences to his family and friends.

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1630 **Richmond Surgery in Fleet**

Tabled: **9/07/25** Signatories: **1**

**Alex Brewer**

That this House celebrates the 60th anniversary of Richmond Surgery in Fleet, Hampshire, and commends its longstanding service to the local community; recognises that the surgery was established in 1965 by Dr Jan Newell Price in a simple wooden structure, which has since become a valued part of the community and is now used by a local scout group; notes that General Practitioner services are a vital component of the NHS and often serve as the first point of contact for patients, providing both medical care and community support; further notes that the practice employs 40 staff and has supported the health and wellbeing of over 15,000 constituents from childhood through to retirement; and congratulates Richmond Surgery on this remarkable milestone and its invaluable contribution to public health and community life.

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1631 **Grangemouth Queer Breakfast Club**

Tabled: **9/07/25** Signatories: **1**

**Brian Leishman**

That this House recognises and celebrates the vital work of Queer Breakfast Club in Grangemouth, a volunteer-led charity founded in 2024 to support LGBTIQ+ people across the Falkirk area; commends the group's rapid growth and positive impact, including welcoming over 60 regular attendees to their weekly peer support sessions, attaining charitable status, and receiving nominations for both local and national awards; congratulates them on organising Falkirk's first Pride celebration in several years, helping to restore inclusive representation and celebration of LGBTIQ+ lives in the region; notes that many LGBTIQ+ individuals still face isolation, exclusion, and significant barriers to wellbeing; praises Queer Breakfast Club for creating safe, joyful, and inclusive spaces through activities such as shared breakfasts, board games, and social events; and urges local authorities, public bodies, and government ministers to champion and invest in grassroots organisations like Queer Breakfast Club, whose efforts are crucial in fostering connection, solidarity, and dignity for LGBTIQ+ communities.

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1632 **CVS Falkirk and District Volunteering Awards 2025**

Tabled: **9/07/25** Signatories: **1**

**Euan Stainbank**

That this House congratulates CVS Falkirk and District on hosting its 26th annual Volunteering Awards, celebrating the contributions of volunteers and organisations across the Falkirk

district; recognises CVS Falkirk's vital role in supporting and strengthening the local third sector; and commends its ongoing work to promote community participation, recognise grassroots efforts, and build a more inclusive and resilient society.

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1633 **Flying ring toys**

Tabled: **9/07/25** Signatories: **1**

**Ben Maguire**

That this House expresses strong support for the campaign led by the UK Seal Alliance Executive to ban the sale of plastic flying ring toys; recognises the significant and growing danger these items pose to marine wildlife, particularly to the UK's globally rare grey and harbour seals, which can suffer prolonged injury or death when entangled; applauds the tireless efforts of campaigners, volunteers, and organisations across Cornwall and the UK who rescue and rehabilitate affected seals, raise public awareness, and advocate for safer alternatives; notes the support of responsible retailers who have already removed flying rings from sale; and calls on the Government to introduce legislation to ban the sale of flying ring toys and prevent further harm to our treasured marine life.

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1634 **Peckish Fish and Chips**

Tabled: **9/07/25** Signatories: **1**

**Ben Maguire**

That this House congratulates Peckish Fish and Chips in Camelford for winning the Best North Cornwall Chippy competition; commends their team for excellent service, food quality, and famous fish and chip favourites; recognises their brilliant reputation for one of the UK's best-tasting traditional dishes; and notes the vital contribution that Peckish Fish and Chips and other hospitality businesses make to our local high streets in Cornwall.

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1635 **Small businesses in North Cornwall**

Tabled: **9/07/25** Signatories: **1**

**Ben Maguire**

That this House celebrates the vital contribution of small and independent businesses in North Cornwall; recognises the invaluable role these businesses play as the lifeblood of local communities, sustaining high streets, creating jobs and driving economic growth; acknowledges the resilience and creativity of small business owners and staff; applauds the achievements of businesses, such as Sea View Farm Shop, Bricknells Stationery, Wildwood Bude, Wadebridge Bookshop, Beach Box Cafe, Tarquin's Cornish Gin, Patchwork Dreamer, Kernow Artisan, Robertson's Jewellers, Spencer Thorn, Camel Valley Vineyard and many others; notes the importance of supporting these enterprises by shopping locally and engaging

with community initiatives; and encourages continued celebration and investment in small businesses across Cornwall to ensure their thriving presence for generations to come.

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**1636 Port Isaac Fish and Chips**

Tabled: **9/07/25** Signatories: **1**

**Ben Maguire**

That this House congratulates Port Isaac Fish and Chips as runners-up in the the Best North Cornwall Chippy competition; notes the vital contribution that Port Isaac Fish and Chips and other hospitality businesses make to our local communities in Cornwall; recognises their brilliant reputation for one of the UK's best-tasting traditional dishes; and commends their team for excellent service, food quality and famous fish and chip favourites.

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**1637 Government policy on the Hillsborough Law**

Tabled: **9/07/25** Signatories: **8**

**Ian Byrne**

**Kim Johnson**

**Paula Barker**

**Siân Berry**

**Tom Morrison**

**Sorcha Eastwood**

Jeremy Corbyn

Peter Dowd

That this House notes the Prime Minister's promise to introduce the Hillsborough Law to Parliament before the 36th anniversary of the disaster on 15 April 2025; deeply regrets that this commitment was not met and that the Government has yet to table the legislation; expresses grave concern at reports that the Government intends to bring forward a weakened alternative bill, lacking the core principles and protections of the Hillsborough Law; recognises that the Hillsborough Law is a rigorously drafted piece of legislation, written by legal experts in collaboration with families affected by state cover-ups, including Hillsborough, and first introduced to Parliament by Andy Burnham in 2017; highlights that the Hillsborough Law includes a statutory duty of candour on public authorities and officials, backed by criminal sanctions, and ensures bereaved families are granted parity of legal representation; pays tribute to the unwavering courage and determination of the Hillsborough families and survivors, who for decades have fought for truth and justice; believes the Hillsborough Law would be a landmark piece of legislation, tackling the culture of cover-ups evident in scandals such as Hillsborough, the infected blood scandal, the Horizon Post Office scandal and the nuclear test veteran scandal; welcomes the reintroduction of the Hillsborough Law to Parliament, formally titled the Public Authority (Accountability) Bill, which had its First Reading on 2 July 2025; and calls on the Government to honour its word and the memory of the 97 lives lost at Hillsborough by enacting the Hillsborough Law in full, without delay.

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**1638 Companion bus passes for the disabled**Tabled: **9/07/25** Signatories: **5****Sir Julian Lewis****Tom Gordon****Rachael Maskell****Helen Maguire****Jim Shannon**

That this House applauds the two-thirds of English local authorities which issue, to each disabled person who cannot travel without a companion, a bus pass enabling both to travel free of charge; notes that a free bus pass for someone who cannot travel alone is of little practical value unless it covers a companion; and calls upon the Government to include free companion bus travel for disabled people who cannot travel alone within the statutory obligations on local authorities under the English National Concessionary Travel Scheme.

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**1639 Bethany McLay and The King's Trust Rising Star Award**Tabled: **9/07/25** Signatories: **1****Euan Stainbank**

That this House congratulates Bethany McLay of Falkirk on winning the Scotland Country Final Rising Star Award from The King's Trust; recognises her inspirational journey from leaving school at 15 with no qualifications to becoming a full-time youth worker supporting other young people; and commends The King's Trust for its vital work empowering disadvantaged young people across Scotland to build skills, confidence and meaningful careers.

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**1640 Support for people with dyscalculia**Tabled: **9/07/25** Signatories: **1****Adam Dance**

That this House recognises that approximately six percent of the population has dyscalculia; notes that while there is no single profile of dyscalculia, it is a learning difference that affects the ability to acquire mathematical skills, primarily arithmetic; acknowledges that research into dyscalculia has lagged behind research into other learning differences such as dyslexia; welcomes recent progress made in researching dyscalculia and calls on the Government to support further research; and further calls on the Government to support people with dyscalculia at school by improving teacher training on dyscalculia, introducing universal screening on neurodivergent conditions in primary schools, as well as improving access to classroom adjustments and assistive technology.

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**1641 Jibraan Chaudhary Sepsis Research Foundation and chemotherapy-associated sepsis**Tabled: **9/07/25** Signatories: **1****Liz Jarvis**

That this House pays tribute to the life of Jibraan Nveed Chaudhary, a bright and kind-hearted 18-year-old who tragically died from sepsis in November 2024 while undergoing chemotherapy treatment for leukemia; recognises the dedication and strength of his father and family in establishing the Jibraan Chaudhary Sepsis Research Foundation in his memory; acknowledges that sepsis remains a leading cause of death among patients undergoing treatment for leukemia; commends the Foundation's mission to fund research into the prevention, early detection, and treatment of chemotherapy-associated sepsis; supports its efforts to raise awareness, foster community engagement, and drive scientific innovation; and calls on the Government, research institutions and healthcare bodies to prioritise action on sepsis in cancer care to help save lives.

**1642 Outsourced cleaners on Tyne and Wear Metro**Tabled: **9/07/25** Signatories: **16****Grahame Morris****Ian Lavery****Mary Kelly Foy****Emma Lewell****Kate Osborne****Richard Burgon**

Kim Johnson

Brian Leishman

Jon Trickett

Imran Hussain

Rebecca Long Bailey

Apsana Begum

John McDonnell

Ian Byrne

Bell Ribeiro-Addy

Ms Diane Abbott

That this House welcomes the Labour Government's promise to 'oversee the biggest wave of insourcing for a generation'; notes that the North East Combined Authority transport provider Nexus, while publicly owned, outsources cleaning of the Tyne and Wear Metro to a private company, Churchill, and that this contract is now coming to an end; further notes with concern that, like other outsourced workers, Churchill's cleaners do not get sick pay and they have no decent pension in retirement; also notes with deep concern that, responding to a recent survey, 71% of its cleaners on the Metro said they sometimes or regularly struggle to get by, 83% said they come into work while sick because they cannot afford to take time off and 86% worry about having enough money in retirement; is shocked to learn that Churchill paid a £43.8 million dividend to its shareholders last year, but has refused to negotiate a pay rise for Nexus's cleaners this year; welcomes the decision by Welsh Labour and Transport for Wales to insource its cleaning and catering, as well as the Mayor of London's review of Transport for London's

outsourced cleaning contract; agrees with the RMT union that with Churchill's contract nearing its end, this is the time to make good on Labour's promise; and calls on the Mayor of North East England, Kim McGuinness, to direct Nexus to insource this contract.

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**1643 Recognition of Craig McMurrough's contribution to ovarian cancer awareness and healthcare fundraising**

Tabled: **9/07/25** Signatories: **1**

**Manuela Perteghella**

That this House congratulates Stratford-on-Avon resident Craig McMurrough on being awarded the British Citizens Award for services to healthcare; notes that following the loss of his sister Cheryl to ovarian cancer in 2016, Craig channelled his grief into raising awareness of the disease and supporting others affected through tireless fundraising for the charity Ovacome; commends his imaginative and heartfelt efforts alongside his friend Sarah, with whom he has completed eight London Marathons, over 100 half marathons, and even climbed Kilimanjaro, raising more than £80,000 dressed as "Mr and Ms Ovary" to help start conversations and reach new audiences; recognises that this work has not only helped to fund vital support but has also brought national recognition, including the Prime Minister's Points of Light Award and invitations to Downing Street and Buckingham Palace; and pays tribute to Craig's dedication, energy and sense of purpose in transforming personal tragedy into a lasting contribution to public health awareness.

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**1644 Ynys Môn's status as a UNESCO Global Geopark**

Tabled: **9/07/25** Signatories: **4**

**Llinos Medi**

**Ben Lake**

**Liz Saville Roberts**

**Ann Davies**

That this House celebrates Ynys Môn's status as a Global Geopark, having been admitted to the European Geoparks Network and to the UNESCO-assisted Global Network of National Geoparks in May 2009; notes that the island's geological history spans four eras, twelve geological periods, and 1.8 billion years, with more than 100 rock types representing ancient oceans, volcanoes, and glacial periods; further notes that this makes the island a globally significant site for geological study and appreciation; highlights that all UNESCO Global Geoparks are subject to a thorough revalidation process every four years to assess their functionality and quality, with Ynys Môn due for revalidation this year; and commends the geologists, businesses, university staff, local people and community leaders at the GeoMôn centre in Porth Amlwch, whose hard work has provided Ynys Môn with its coveted Global Geopark status.

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## Added Names

Below are EDMs tabled in the last two weeks to which names have been added. Only the first 6 names and any new names are included.

1561 **Naloxone**

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

**Adam Dance**  
**Ellie Chowns**  
**Wera Hobhouse**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Helen Maguire**  
**Mr Will Forster**

Tom Morrison

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.

1579 **Loan Charge and settlement terms offered to large companies and individuals**

Tabled: **1/07/25** Signatories: **42**

**Mr Angus MacDonald**  
**Wera Hobhouse**  
**Mr Joshua Reynolds**  
**Helen Morgan**  
**Sarah Olney**  
**Tom Morrison**

Edward Morello  
 Monica Harding

John McDonnell

Brendan O'Hara

That this House is deeply concerned at the treatment of those facing the Loan Charge; notes that instead of commissioning a truly independent review of the Loan Charge, Ministers announced a highly restricted review, conducted by a former Assistant Director of HMRC, Ray McCann, only looking at settlement terms; expresses astonishment at the fact, exposed by

a Freedom of Information response, that HMRC did a deal with large companies over similar schemes for just 15% in 2015, which means they received an 85% discount; is deeply concerned that this has never been revealed to Parliament; notes that this was revealed privately to Sir Amyas Morse, Baron Morse, in 2019 by Ray McCann who also stated that HMRC had refused to offer any discounts to contractors and was treating them uniquely harshly; further notes that HMRC has a duty to treat all taxpayers equally and believes that its treatment of those facing the Loan Charge breaches this; also notes that current Treasury Ministers have described those facing the Loan Charge as victims of mis-selling, yet the Loan Charge remains in place focused on the victims and that those who mis-sold schemes face no action; notes that HMRC has referred ten suicides and 13 attempted suicides to the Independent Office of Policy Conduct; believes that had HMRC offered an 85% discount to the victims of mis-selling there would have been no suicides; and calls for a proper independent inquiry into the Loan Charge scandal.

1579A1 [Amendment]

Tabled: **2/07/25** Signatories: **3**

**Mr Gregory Campbell**  
**Gavin Robinson**  
**Sammy Wilson**

In the penultimate clause, leave out "no suicides" and insert "a very significant reduction in the number of suicides".

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1582 **Tackling food waste**

Tabled: **1/07/25** Signatories: **28**

**Jess Brown-Fuller**  
**Wera Hobhouse**  
**Adam Dance**  
**Mr Joshua Reynolds**  
**Dr Roz Savage**  
**Helen Morgan**

Monica Harding

That this House notes with concern that the UK wastes around 9.52 million tonnes of food each year, including 6.4 million tonnes of edible surplus which is enough to feed nearly 14 million people annually; expresses concern that only 30% of large food and drink businesses are measuring and reporting their food waste, and only 25% have set reduction targets, falling far short of national and international commitments; further notes that households are responsible for around 70% of this waste, equivalent to over four meals per person per week; recognises the critical role of charities like UKHarvest in addressing both food waste and food poverty; applauds UKHarvest for rescuing 641 tonnes of surplus food and redistributing 1.52 million meals across the south of England in 2024/25; commends their Community Food Hubs and Grub Clubs, which together supported over 79,000 people with free surplus food; and calls on the

Government to take urgent action to reduce food waste, increase redistribution, and support organisations working to ensure good food is not needlessly thrown away.

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1585      **Anniversary of the July 2024 protests in Bangladesh**

Tabled: **1/07/25**      Signatories: **6**

**Apsana Begum**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Shockat Adam**  
**Nadia Whittome**  
**Iqbal Mohamed**  
**Sammy Wilson**

That this House marks a year since the July protests and mass uprising in Bangladesh which led to the fall of Sheikh Hasina's regime; condemns the repression of students, workers, and activists that resulted in 1,400 people killed and thousands injured in just 46 days; notes that according to the United Nations Sheikh Hasina's regime, its security and intelligence apparatus, together with violent elements associated with her ruling party, committed serious and systematic human rights violations; recognises the need for democracy, and justice and accountability for human rights abuses, corruption, repression, and persecution; and supports the grassroots' ongoing call for democratic freedoms, public service investment, trades union rights, improved working conditions, equality for women, religious freedom and for a Bangladesh that is run in the interests of the people of Bangladesh.

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1603      **Equitable national prostate cancer screening**

Tabled: **7/07/25**      Signatories: **36**

**Martin Wrigley**  
**Helen Maguire**  
**Steve Darling**  
**Jess Brown-Fuller**  
**Sir Gavin Williamson**  
**Wendy Chamberlain**

Claire Young  
Ian Sollom

Dr Danny Chambers  
Sarah Dyke

Josh Babarinde

That this House welcomes the #ProactiveForYourProstate campaign led by Prostate Cancer Research (PCR); congratulates campaigners, such as Teignmouth campaigner Jason Yeo, for their work advocating for prostate-specific antigen (PSA) testing for all men at age 50, and earlier for those in high-risk categories; calls for the Government to back this campaign; notes with concern that prostate cancer is the second-leading cause of cancer death among men in the United Kingdom, claiming more than 12,000 lives each year, while survival rates are close to 100 per cent when the disease is detected early; recognises that men of Black heritage, those with a family history of prostate cancer and carriers of certain genetic mutations face up to

double the average risk of diagnosis and mortality; is alarmed that the present informed-choice framework requires men aged 50 and over proactively to request a PSA blood test from their GP, a system that disproportionately fails high-risk and socio-economically deprived groups and entrenches health inequalities; applauds PCR and supporters for highlighting the urgent need for an equitable, population-wide prostate cancer screening programme and for championing greater public awareness; further calls on the Government and the UK National Screening Committee to accelerate the development and roll-out of a national screening pathway that prioritises high-risk groups and eliminates postcode or socio-economic disparities; and urges Ministers to engage with PCR, clinicians, patient representatives and campaigners to introduce interim measures that expand early-detection access while long-term protocols are finalised.

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**1606      200 year anniversary of the North Devon Infirmary**

Tabled: **7/07/25**      Signatories: **11**

**Ian Roome**  
**Ben Maguire**  
**Rachel Gilmour**  
**Steve Darling**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Adam Dance**

Sarah Dyke

That this House celebrates 200 years since the construction of the North Devon Infirmary, North Devon's first public hospital, famously Supported by Voluntary Contributions and the predecessor of North Devon District Hospital; recognises that the latter has now been in place since 1978, supports over 160,000 people across Devon and Cornwall, and is itself long overdue for investment to modernise its surgical and critical care infrastructure; and reaffirms the founding principle of the National Health Service, of public healthcare available to everyone, supported by taxpayers and free at the point of use, which will relieve one's money worries in time of illness.

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**1607      New Gaelic centre in north Skye**

Tabled: **7/07/25**      Signatories: **5**

**Mr Angus MacDonald**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Dr Roz Savage**  
**Andrew George**  
**Sarah Dyke**

That this House warmly welcomes the commencement of construction work on the £8 million Ionad Thròndairnis (Trotternish Centre) at Flodigarry on the Isle of Skye; notes that this ambitious Gaelic language and culture hub will include a function hall, classrooms for heritage and language learning, a library and digital archive, café, restaurant, and onsite

accommodation to help address the chronic shortage of beds in the region; further notes that the project is expected to provide around ten full-time jobs as well as part-time and seasonal opportunities, delivering a vital economic boost to one of Scotland's most deprived rural areas in terms of income, employment and access to services; recognises the continued vibrancy of Gaelic as a community language in Trotternish, where intergenerational Gaelic-medium education is supported and celebrated; commends the leadership and determination of the Trotternish Trust and local residents in bringing this transformative project to fruition; acknowledges the support of Bòrd na Gàidhlig, Highlands and Islands Enterprise and Community Land Scotland; and celebrates the centre's future role in safeguarding linguistic and cultural heritage while strengthening community resilience across north Skye.

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1610      **Remembering Chris Davies**

Tabled: **7/07/25**      Signatories: **3**

**Tom Morrison**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Sarah Dyke**

That this House notes with great sadness the passing of Chris Davies, a pioneering figure in grassroots and non-league football, who founded Grasmere Rovers in 1961, later overseeing its rebranding to Cheadle Town Football Club in 1982 and its move to Park Road Stadium; recognises Chris Davies's enormous contribution to the club over decades, including steering it through challenging financial periods and securing its long-term future; further notes Chris's broader impact on local football through his time with Manchester FC, as well as his work supporting Stockport County FC, strengthening community links across the wider area; pays tribute to his tireless dedication, resilience and passion, which inspired generations of players, volunteers and supporters; extends sincere condolences to Chris's family, friends and everyone connected with Cheadle Town and Stockport County; and celebrates Chris Davies's exceptional legacy to the local football community and his lifelong commitment to the game.

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1611      **Elm Grove Care Home and Ashley House Care Home**

Tabled: **7/07/25**      Signatories: **6**

**Dr Roz Savage**  
**Edward Morello**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Liz Jarvis**  
**Mr Joshua Reynolds**  
**Sarah Dyke**

That this House commends the staff of Elm Grove Care Home and Ashley House Care Home in Cirencester for their outstanding fundraising efforts in support of Cancer Research UK; notes that staff from both care homes climbed Pen y Fan in the Brecon Beacons in May 2025, raising over £4,000 including match funding from Bupa; recognises the important contribution this makes towards pioneering research and treatments that save lives; congratulates the team for

their community spirit, determination and compassion; and encourages more care homes and community organisations across the UK to engage in charitable fundraising that supports vital health research.

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1615 **Access to dentistry**

Tabled: **7/07/25** Signatories: **24**

**Edward Morello**

**Helen Maguire**

**Tom Gordon**

**Wendy Chamberlain**

**Richard Foord**

**Jess Brown-Fuller**

Anna Sabine

Claire Young

Sarah Dyke

That this House is deeply concerned by the growing crisis in NHS dentistry, particularly in rural constituencies such as West Dorset, where just 15 dental practices offer any form of NHS care to a population of 94,000, equating to more than 2,300 residents per dentist; notes that only 36% of adults and just 50% of children in West Dorset have seen an NHS dentist in the last two years, contributing to thousands of avoidable A&E visits due to dental decay, including 3,000 children nationally every year; recognises that the current NHS dental contract is not fit for purpose, leaving patients forced to pay privately or go without care altogether; welcomes the Government's commitment to deliver 700,000 additional appointments, but stresses that this must be accompanied by immediate, practical support for Integrated Care Boards, such as NHS Dorset, to address local need now; highlights the case of a pensioner in Sherborne who, unable to access NHS dental care, has had to extract his own teeth; notes the British Dental Association's findings that 96% of practices in England are not accepting new NHS patients and that 1 in 5 people who cannot access care are resorting to DIY dentistry; further notes that the South West has the highest rate of dental-related A&E attendances and the highest dental vacancy rate in the country at 22%; and calls on the Government to deliver both long-term reform and immediate action to restore access to NHS dentistry, especially in rural and underserved areas.

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**1616 Investment in General Practice**Tabled: **7/07/25** Signatories: **22**

**Edward Morello**  
**Helen Maguire**  
**Tom Gordon**  
**Wendy Chamberlain**  
**Steve Darling**  
**Jess Brown-Fuller**

Claire Young

Sarah Dyke

That this House notes with concern that although about 90% of NHS interactions take place in general practice, only 6% of the NHS budget is allocated to it; recognises that general practice remains one of the most financially efficient parts of the NHS, as highlighted in the Darzi Review 2024, yet continues to be chronically underfunded; further notes that the current funding formula fails to take adequate account of rurality and age, placing additional pressure on practices in areas like West Dorset; expresses concern that in Dorset, over 550,000 GP appointments last year involved waits of more than 28 days; highlights the urgent need to invest in digital infrastructure, including extending the Electronic Prescription Service across hospitals and community trusts to reduce waste, delays and duplication, and to lessen the administrative burden on GPs; also notes that over one-third of GPs report that their buildings are not fit for purpose, with over half of GP premises more than 30 years old and one in five predating the foundation of the NHS; believes that urgent investment in the primary care estate is essential to meet demand, deliver preventative care and avoid long-term costs; calls for a guarantee that patients will be able to see a GP within a week, or within 24 hours in urgent cases, to prevent conditions escalating into avoidable hospital admissions; and urges the Government to properly fund general practice and community healthcare as a vital and cost-effective part of a sustainable NHS.

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**1617 Portstewart Strand award**Tabled: **8/07/25** Signatories: **2**

**Mr Gregory Campbell**  
**Jim Allister**

That this House notes that Portstewart Strand has been voted Best Beach in the UK by the Times and Sunday Times Newspaper group, given that fifty beaches were judged across the whole of the UK in the competition; acknowledges the prestige that accompanies such an accolade especially when there are so many other beautiful blue flag beaches in Northern Ireland alone; and expresses the hope that much of this spectacular scenery will be protected and kept safe by the custodians for this and future generations.

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1620 **Ayman Odeh**Tabled: **8/07/25** Signatories: **12**

**John McDonnell**  
**Brian Leishman**  
**Neil Duncan-Jordan**  
**Ms Diane Abbott**  
**Nadia Whittome**  
**Kim Johnson**

Brendan O'Hara  
Jon Trickett

Chris Law  
Seamus Logan

Abtisaam Mohamed  
Iqbal Mohamed

That this House expresses its extreme concern at the moves to impeach Ayman Ali, a Palestinian member of the Knesset respected for his consistent advocacy of the need for Arabs and Jews to work together and who is currently facing impeachment and expulsion from the Knesset on the grounds that after the two month ceasefire in Gaza came into effect he tweeted support for the ceasefire and to encourage the release of hostages and prisoners; notes that the Knesset's legal adviser has said that there is no legal basis for his impeachment, but this process is continuing with the result that he will be removed from the Knesset; urges the Government to press for the Israeli government and Knesset to withdraw from this course of action which at this critical time, when we are all hoping that the current peace negotiations are productive; and reminds the Government the expulsion of Ayman Odeh would not only diminish the representation of the Palestinian people in the Knesset but also undermine confidence amongst many that there will ever be a political solution to the current conflict.

1621 **Funding for training of professional journalists**Tabled: **8/07/25** Signatories: **10**

**Rebecca Long Bailey**  
**John McDonnell**  
**Liz Saville Roberts**  
**Claire Hanna**  
**Kim Johnson**  
**Grahame Morris**

Brian Leishman  
Jon Trickett

Neil Duncan-Jordan

Kate Osborne

That this House is worried by guidance issued by the Secretary of State for Education to the Office for Students which suggests that the Department has decided to withdraw Strategic Priorities Grant funding from journalism courses for the 2025-26 financial year; shares the concerns of the National Union of Journalists and National Council for the Training of Journalists that pathways into journalism are needed now more than ever, to counter harmful misinformation and disinformation shared online; notes 84% of working journalists who studied for a higher education qualification in journalism cite this as helping them to secure their first job in the industry; and therefore calls on the Department of Education to conduct a thorough



review of their planned reductions in funding for journalism and related courses and commit to providing the necessary funding for these courses going forwards as part of the Post-16 Education and Skills Strategy white paper.

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**1622 Post Offices in rural areas**

Tabled: **8/07/25** Signatories: **21**

**Caroline Voaden**

**Steve Darling**

**Gideon Amos**

**Richard Foord**

**Rachel Gilmour**

**Anna Sabine**

Wendy Chamberlain

Dr Roz Savage

Mr Joshua Reynolds

Adam Dance

Sarah Dyke

Ian Roome

Clive Jones

Ian Sollom

Claire Young

Helen Morgan

Martin Wrigley

Manuela Perteghella

Sarah Olney

Josh Babarinde

Jon Trickett

That this House recognises the importance of Post Office branches to rural communities; notes with concern the closure of Post Offices in South Devon constituency including those in Churchstow, Aveton Gifford and Dittisham; further notes that rural communities and small rural businesses are disproportionately affected by centralisation of Post Office services; is concerned about the impact of Post Office branch closures on people in rural areas, including the elderly and those with limited transport options; and calls on the Government to protect rural Post Offices.

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**1623 Royal Academy summer exhibition**

Tabled: **8/07/25** Signatories: **3**

**James MacCleary**

**Clive Jones**

**Sarah Dyke**

That this House congratulates eight year old Emie Sion, a pupil at Western Road School in Lewes, whose artwork Three Mythical Creatures was selected out of 23,000 entries to appear at the prestigious Royal Academy's Young Artists' Summer Show; notes that Emie's pyrography piece showcases both her creativity and the school's commitment to encouraging the arts; recognises the invaluable role of schools like Western Road in nurturing young artistic talent and ensuring all children have the opportunity to explore their creativity; wishes Emie and her family an inspiring visit to the private viewing at the Royal Academy; and hopes her success inspires other young artists in Lewes and across the UK to pursue their artistic passions.

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**1624 50th anniversary of the Leatherhead Swans Club**Tabled: **8/07/25** Signatories: **5****Helen Maguire****Steve Darling****Clive Jones****Mr Joshua Reynolds****Sarah Dyke**

That this House congratulates the Leatherhead Swans Club on its 50th anniversary; notes its outstanding voluntary work since 1975 in providing inclusive sports, recreation, and social activities for disabled people in Surrey; recognises the dedication of its volunteers and supporters; and wishes the club continued success in promoting inclusion, community spirit, and well-being for many years to come.

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**1625 Recognition and support for the creator economy**Tabled: **8/07/25** Signatories: **2****Dawn Butler****Neil Duncan-Jordan**

That this House recognises the growing contribution of ethical content creators to the UK's creative industries and wider economy; notes that individuals working as digital creators often operate as small businesses or limited companies but face barriers accessing support routinely available to other sectors; and further notes that guidance in a growing field is necessary to protect and advise people, especially young people.