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Early Day Motions tabled on Tuesday 21 October 2025

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New EDMs

2097 **Banton village**

Tabled: **21/10/25** Signatories: **1**

Katrina Murray

That this House congratulates the organisers of the Macmillan coffee morning in Banton who raised £1446 this year bringing their total to £15,380 raised by the village, a fantastic achievement for any community but a substantial achievement for a village with a population of approximately 530; further congratulates the organisers, Janis Docherty, Jennifer Rennie, Phyllis Hutchison, Bernie Scanlon, Sandra Hawthorne and their army of volunteers on the day including Lorna Wilson, Natalie Docherty and Colette Simpson, as well as the staff of The Swan Inn; recognises that the Swan is a community owned pub by People United for Banton and a focal point for village life; notes that the Macmillan Coffee morning is an annual highlight bringing people together to enjoy some fabulous home baking, great conversation and to raise funds for an important charity as one in two people will be diagnosed with cancer; further notes that money allows Macmillan to continue to support people living with cancer; and welcomes the emotional, practical and financial support that Macmillan provides to the people in people in Scotland.

2098 10th anniversary of Book Week NITabled: **21/10/25** Signatories: **1****Mr Gregory Campbell**

That this House notes that 20 October to 26 October 2025 marks the 10th anniversary of Book Week NI, being jointly hosted by BBC NI and Libraries NI; further notes that Book Week NI promotes the benefits reading can bring to all ages; congratulates the organisers given the ubiquitous extent of iPhones, texting and messaging; and expresses the hope that schools, community groups and many others will join in the exceptional benefits that reading from real physical books can bring in terms of relaxation and learning for every age group and background.

2099 Menopause Awareness MonthTabled: **21/10/25** Signatories: **1****Helen Maguire**

That this House notes that October 2025 marks Menopause Awareness Month; recognises the significant impact that menopause can have on women's physical health, mental wellbeing and participation in the workforce; welcomes the growing public and parliamentary discussion of menopause as an important health and equality issue; further notes the continuing challenges many women face in accessing timely diagnosis, effective treatment and affordable hormone replacement therapy (HRT); expresses concern about the postcode lottery in menopause-related healthcare; calls on the Government to ensure consistent provision of specialist services across England; further urges greater support for small and medium-sized employers to implement workplace adjustments for menopausal employees; supports public awareness campaigns to reduce stigma and improve understanding of the menopause; and commends organisations, clinicians and campaigners working to ensure that all women receive the support they need at every stage of life.

2100 2025 Windsor and Maidenhead Community Forum Interfaith GatheringTabled: **21/10/25** Signatories: **1****Mr Joshua Reynolds**

That this House welcomes the Windsor and Maidenhead Community Forum (WAMCF) Interfaith Gathering held on Saturday 18 October at All Saints Church, Boyne Hill, Maidenhead; commends WAMCF for bringing together people of all faiths and none to share in a Celebration of Peace; recognises the valuable contributions made by members of the Christian, Sikh, Humanist, Hindu, Muslim, Jewish, Brahma Kumaris, Bahá'í and Buddhist communities, who offered prayers, readings, music and reflections in a spirit of harmony and mutual respect; notes that the event provided a space for reflection and understanding, demonstrating how diverse faith and belief traditions can unite around the shared values of peace, compassion and community;

further notes that gatherings such as this strengthen interfaith relations and foster friendship across different worldviews; and applauds the ongoing efforts of WAMCF and All Saints Church to promote dialogue, respect and unity within the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead and beyond.

2101 Brighter Opportunities for Special People

Tabled: **21/10/25** Signatories: **1**

James McMurdock

That this House recognises the outstanding work of BOSP (Brighter Opportunities for Special People), a charity based in south Essex providing essential care and short breaks for children and young adults with complex disabilities; notes that this vital support enables families to receive much-needed respite while ensuring that young people with disabilities can access enriching activities; further recognises that BOSP has been operating for 35 years and supports over 120 children, with over 150 more on their waiting list; congratulates the charity on being awarded the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service in 2022; and urges the Government and local authorities to consider how support for organisations such as BOSP can be increased to meet the growing demand for disability respite and inclusion services.

2102 Flying Nightingales

Tabled: **21/10/25** Signatories: **1**

Liz Jarvis

That this House recognises the achievements of the Flying Nightingales, a group of Women's Auxiliary Air Force nursing orderlies who were the first three British women officially flown into a war zone during World War II to evacuate injured soldiers; pays tribute to Corporal Lydia Alford, who was from Eastleigh, LACW Myra Roberts, and LACW Edna Birkbeck, for their extraordinary courage; acknowledges that the Flying Nightingales were pioneers of modern medical evacuations; and calls for further recognition of the Flying Nightingales' extraordinary contribution to the allied war effort to ensure that their bravery and legacy is celebrated.

2103 Mary's Meals

Tabled: **21/10/25** Signatories: **1**

Brendan O'Hara

That this House joins with the Argyll-based charity Mary's Meals in celebrating their remarkable achievement of providing more than three million of the world's poorest children, across 16 countries, with a nutritious daily meal at school; recognises the transformative impact of these meals have in reducing hunger, increasing school enrolment, improving attendance and concentration in class, and in lowering drop-out rates; commends the community-led nature

of the programme and its commitment to sourcing food locally to support regional economies; notes the exceptional cost-effectiveness of the initiative, delivering meals at an average cost of just ten pence per meal; and acknowledges the vital role of supporters in Argyll, Scotland, the UK and globally in empowering children to lift their communities out of poverty through education; thanks everyone at Mary's Meals for their outstanding contribution over many years to alleviate hunger and promote the benefits of education, and wishes Mary's Meal's every success in the future.

2104 **Friends of the River Granta and the BBC Make a Difference Green Award (No. 2)**

Tabled: **21/10/25** Signatories: **1**

Pippa Heylings

That this House congratulates Friends of the River Granta on receiving the Green Award at the BBC Radio Cambridgeshire Make a Difference Awards 2025; recognises the group's tireless efforts to protect and celebrate the River Granta, one of South Cambridgeshire's most cherished chalk streams; commends the organisation's commitment to conservation and community engagement, which has had a profound impact both on the local environment and on those who care deeply about it; acknowledges the importance of grassroots leadership in shaping national action on climate and nature; and celebrates Friends of the River Granta as an inspiring example of community-led environmental stewardship.

2105 **Shelford Spice (No. 2)**

Tabled: **21/10/25** Signatories: **1**

Pippa Heylings

That this House congratulates Shelford Spice, the much-loved Indian restaurant and takeaway in Great Shelford, on winning Season Eight, Episode One of the Catering Circle's Catering Talent Show; celebrates owner Farhan Hussain's inspiring victory against more experienced competitors, showcasing his creativity, innovation and passion for great food; notes that Shelford Spice continues to make waves with its fresh, homemade recipes, healthier approach to takeaway dining, and imaginative dishes, including its now-famous 18-inch naan; further notes the restaurant's growing list of honours, such as Cambridgeshire Takeaway of the Year at the Asian Curry Awards 2024; commends Mr Hussain and his team for putting Shelford firmly on the culinary map and for keeping the spirit of hospitality alive during challenging times for the sector; further celebrates the joy and pride that Shelford Spice brings to the local community; and sends its best wishes from South Cambridgeshire as the team heads into the next stage of the competition.

2106 Drug deaths (No. 2)Tabled: **21/10/25** Signatories: **1****Grahame Morris**

That this House is dismayed at annual data released by the Office for National Statistics on 17 October 2025 revealing yet another record number of drug deaths; notes that 5,565 deaths related to drug poisoning were registered in England and Wales in 2024; further notes that opiates and opioids were involved in almost half of these; recognises that recent research from King's College London has shown that many opioid-related deaths are missed from official statistics, raising concerns that underestimation has led to underfunding; is alarmed that deaths related to the synthetic opioid Nitazenes are four times higher than in the previous year; is concerned that cocaine-related deaths have risen for the thirteenth consecutive year; observes that death rates remain highest in areas suffering greatest deprivation; and calls on the Government to acknowledge this is a public health crisis and redouble efforts to tackle it.

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.

1927 Pavement parking consultation responseTabled: **16/09/25** Signatories: **32****Helen Maguire****Tom Morrison****Dr Al Pinkerton****Steve Darling****Cameron Thomas****Ian Sollom**

Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House regrets the failure of successive Governments to respond in full to the consultation entitled Pavement parking: options for change, which closed on 22 November 2020, despite widespread evidence of the dangers caused by pavement parking and overwhelming public support for reform; notes that this delay has left many older people, people with disabilities, families with young children, and those with sight loss without safe access to pavements; calls on the Secretary of State for Transport to publish the Government's formal response without further delay; further calls on the Minister for Roads to introduce legislation to institute a default national prohibition of pavement parking in England, with sensible local exemptions where necessary, and for civil enforcement powers to be granted to local authorities; and urges the Government to lay out a clear timetable for implementation of these reforms.

1933 YemenTabled: **16/09/25** Signatories: **4****Mr Clive Betts****Jim Shannon****Chris Law****Dr Ellie Chowns**

That this House expresses deep concern at the ongoing conflict and humanitarian crisis in Yemen, which has caused immense suffering to millions of people; notes the central role of the United Nations in mediating peace efforts in Yemen and urges the UN to intensify and accelerate its facilitation of an inclusive peace process; further notes the historical status of South Yemen and the enduring aspirations of the people of the South for recognition of their right to self-determination; believes that any lasting and sustainable peace in Yemen must take full account of the aspirations of South Yemen and ensure their representation at the negotiating table; commends the resilience of the Yemeni people and the efforts of local and regional partners to support peacebuilding; calls on the UK Government, as a permanent member of the UN Security Council, to exert pressure on the UN to ensure that the peace process in Yemen is both accelerated and inclusive of South Yemen's political aspirations; and further calls on the Government to encourage dialogue between all Yemeni parties, regional actors, and international partners with the aim of securing a just, peaceful, and self-determined future for all.

1938 Leasehold reform (No. 2)Tabled: **16/09/25** Signatories: **25****Gideon Amos****Wera Hobhouse****Sarah Dyke****Mr Will Forster****Charlotte Cane****Tom Morrison****Dr Ellie Chowns**

That this House is deeply concerned by the Government's significant delays to leasehold reform legislation and the implications for leaseholders who live still in unsafe buildings; regrets that the previous Government failed to protect leaseholders from dangerous cladding or abolish residential leasehold; calls on the Government to improve the fire and safety standards urgently; urges the Government to better protect leaseholders with a statutory right to access to information collected during forensic investigations carried out after a fire; notes that leaseholders make up over 20% of the housing stock in England and that both freeholders and leaseholders often suffer from unregulated estate management companies forcing residents to pay unreasonable service and estate management charges and rogue developers who leave serious defects unresolved; further notes with concern that leaseholders faced an average service charge increase of 11% in 2024 and that service charge increases

have left many leaseholders unable to sell; further calls on the Government to urgently abolish residential leasehold for new developments and provide a route to commonhold for all existing leaseholders with management rights to protect them from unregulated charges.

1940 **Children of Ukraine**

Tabled: **16/09/25** Signatories: **31**

Jess Brown-Fuller

Dr Al Pinkerton

John Milne

Steve Darling

Cameron Thomas

Wera Hobhouse

Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House commends the bravery and resilience of the Ukrainian children Vladyslav, Valeriia and Roman, who came to the Houses of Parliament to share their experience of Putin's war of aggression; further commends the work of film director Evgeny Afineevsky for his powerful film *Children in the Fire* that tells the stories of a number of Ukraine's children since 2022; expresses with anger that over 19,000 Ukrainian children have been forcibly transferred to Russia during the conflict; notes that President Putin is robbing Ukraine of its future and there can be no lasting peace until the kidnapped children are returned to Ukraine; calls on the Government to commit to filling the funding gap for the Yale Humanitarian Research Lab caused by President Trump's cuts to USAID, ensuring they can continue their vital work to identify and return those stolen children; further calls on the Government to work with the film director to ensure the film is made available across the UK; and urges the Government to seize the £25 billion of frozen Russian assets across the UK without delay to be used to support Ukraine.

1944 **Blood Cancer Awareness Month**

Tabled: **16/09/25** Signatories: **19**

Sorcha Eastwood

Wera Hobhouse

Mr Will Forster

Bob Blackman

Tom Morrison

Mr Joshua Reynolds

Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House recognises that September is Blood Cancer Awareness Month; commits to raising awareness of blood cancers and the life-saving role of stem cell donation; encourages greater sign-ups to the UK stem cell register to improve access to suitable donors for patients in need; acknowledges the findings of Anthony Nolan's Improving the mental health and wellbeing

of cell therapy patients report; expresses strong concerns about the significant gaps and inequalities within the provision of necessary psychological support for cell therapy patients in the UK; notes the inconsistent care for family members and sibling donors; further notes the shortcomings of long-term psychological follow-ups for patients; calls for consistent specialist psychological support for patients receiving stem cell transplants, CAR-T and gene therapy; understands the needs to provide equal psychological support to patients with non-cancer diagnoses; and further calls for the voices of patients and patient families to be at the heart of the UK's healthcare policy direction.

1949 **Speeding in rural areas**

Tabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **10**

Cameron Thomas

Helen Maguire

Clive Jones

Charlotte Cane

David Chadwick

Claire Young

Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House notes with concern the frequent occurrence of speeding, particularly in rural areas, and the significant threat this poses to drivers, pedestrians, and cyclists; regrets that in rural communities, such as the Tewkesbury constituency, there is a lack of speed enforcement signage, speed cameras, and that road infrastructure is in poor condition; further notes with concern that 9 per cent of cars in 2024 exceeded the speed limit on National Speed Limit Single Carriageways, a road type most commonly found in rural areas; and calls on the Government to increase investment in road safety infrastructure and maintenance, improve enforcement of speeding and other traffic offences, and ensure the Department for Transport works alongside local councils to explore enhanced driver education programmes highlighting the dangers of speeding.

1953 **25th anniversary of David Irving v Penguin Books and Professor Deborah Lipstadt judgment**

Tabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **4**

Dr Scott Arthur

Jim Shannon

Peter Lamb

Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House commemorates the 25th anniversary of the landmark judgment in the case of David Irving v Penguin Books and Professor Deborah Lipstadt, handed down in April 2000; recognises the courage and integrity of Professor Lipstadt in defending the truth against Holocaust denial and historical distortion; praises the legal team led by Anthony Julius and

James Libson of Mishcon de Reya for their rigorous defence which reaffirmed the importance of factual integrity in public discourse; notes the judgment of Mr Justice Charles Gray, which found that David Irving had deliberately misrepresented and manipulated historical evidence to support his ideological views, and declared him a Holocaust denier, and as having shared anti-Semitic and racist views; acknowledges the enduring relevance of the case in an age of widespread misinformation and disinformation; welcomes the recent commemorative events and exhibitions held in London, including the panel discussion chaired by Jonathan Freedland and featuring Professor Lipstadt, Sir David Hare, and members of the original legal team; further notes with concern that 25 years after that case, and 80 years since the liberation of Auschwitz, antisemitism is once again on the rise in the UK; further welcomes the work of groups like the Holocaust Educational Trust who fight hate by teaching the truth in schools across the UK; and calls on all Rt hon. and hon. Members to reaffirm their commitment to historical truth, the fight against antisemitism, and the defence of democratic values and the rule of law.

1956 **Five-year indefinite leave to remain pathway for Skilled Worker visa holders**

Tabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **39**

Neil Duncan-Jordan

Steve Witherden

Andy McDonald

Jim Shannon

Richard Burgon

Shockat Adam

Dr Ellie Chowns

Chris Law

That this House recognises the vital contribution of Skilled Worker visa holders to the UK economy and public services, including sectors facing critical shortages such as health, engineering, and social care; notes that these individuals pay taxes, contribute to their communities, and have no recourse to public funds; further notes that they came to the UK in good faith on the clear understanding that five years of work and residence would provide a pathway to indefinite leave to remain (ILR), and many built lives in the UK on this basis; expresses concern that retrospective changes to this pathway would undermine confidence in the immigration system, damage the UK's international reputation, and risk exacerbating skills shortages; and therefore calls on the Government to retain the five-year ILR pathway for all existing Skilled Worker visa holders.

1962 Celebrating Organic SeptemberTabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **14**

Sarah Dyke
Jim Shannon
Cameron Thomas
Helen Maguire
Wera Hobhouse
Andrew George

Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House celebrates Organic September, an annual campaign led by the Soil Association to promote organic food, farming and sustainable living; recognises that organic farming avoids the use of synthetic pesticides and fertilisers, supports biodiversity and animal welfare, helping to protect public health and the environment; notes that this year's theme highlights the important connection between healthy soil and healthy food, as farming without artificial pesticides and fossil fuel derived fertilisers builds healthier soils capable of producing more nutritious crops; commends the Soil Association for its ongoing work to raise awareness of the benefits of organic farming and land use; and encourages consumers to support organic farmers and producers as part of creating a more sustainable food system.

1965 UN International Year of Co-operativesTabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **12**

Jim McMahon
Jim Shannon
Kate Osborne
Andrew George
Kirsteen Sullivan
Carla Denyer

Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House notes that the United Nations has designated 2025 as the International Year of Co-operatives in recognition of the economic and social impact of member-owned enterprises underpinned by shared ownership, democratic governance and mutual benefit; further notes the work of the International Co-operative Alliance in supporting around three million co-operatives worldwide; acknowledges the contribution of UK co-operative retail societies to local communities and national economic life, contributing an estimated £179.2 billion to the UK economy; and recognises the importance of efforts to grow and strengthen the UK co-operative sector in order to build a more sustainable, resilient and inclusive economy.

1977 Jimmy Buchan and the Freedom of the City of LondonTabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **4****Seamus Logan****Jim Shannon****Adam Jogee****Chris Law**

That this House congratulates Jimmy Buchan on being awarded the Freedom of the City of London in honour of his lifetime contribution to the seafood industry; notes that this follows his admittance as a Liveryman in the Worshipful Company of Fishmongers; notes also this prestigious honour recognises Jimmy's decades of dedication to the seafood industry, from his early days at sea to his leadership in helping shape the future of the supply chain; applauds his passion for the seafood trade; and wishes Jimmy continued success as Chief Executive of the Scottish Seafood Association.

1980 Safety of British nationals aboard the Global Sumud FlotillaTabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **13****Susan Murray****Mike Martin****Layla Moran****Andrew George****Charlotte Cane****Tom Morrison****Dr Ellie Chowns**

That this House is deeply concerned for the safety of British nationals, including Margaret Pacetta and Malcolm Ducker, currently aboard the Global Sumud Flotilla carrying humanitarian aid to Gaza; notes that previous aid flotillas have been boarded and passengers detained; is alarmed by reports of further threats against the current mission; and calls on the Government urgently to confirm what steps are being taken to safeguard those on board, to raise their protection with Israeli authorities and to ensure that the food, medicine, and aid reach the population remaining in Gaza.

1982 AgricultureTabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **22****Victoria Atkins****Robbie Moore****Dr Neil Shastri-Hurst****John Cooper****Greg Smith****Harriet Cross**

Wendy Morton

That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Heather and Grass etc. Burning (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 1000), dated 8 September 2025, a copy of which was laid before this House on 9 September, be annulled.

1983 Jenny and Bill Anderson 12 years of service at Rannoch Station TearoomTabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **3****Dave Doogan****Jim Shannon****Chris Law**

That this House congratulates Jenny and Bill Anderson on their 12 years of running the Rannoch Station Tearoom in Highland Perthshire; commends the contribution they have made in welcoming visitors from across the world to this beautiful part of Scotland; recognises the tearoom's important role in the community; welcomes the news that current staff will take over running the tearoom, ensuring it remains in expert hands continuing to offer nourishment and hospitality to rail passengers on the Glasgow to Mallaig line and travellers venturing to the end of the road in this, the most westerly part of Perthshire; and wishes Jenny and Bill a long and happy retirement.

1984 Insect decline and pesticide reductionTabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **17****Freddie van Mierlo****Jim Shannon****Wera Hobhouse****Cameron Thomas****Shockat Adam****Helen Maguire**

Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House notes with concern the ongoing decline in insect populations across the UK, which poses a serious threat to biodiversity, food security, and ecosystem health; recognises the efforts of local campaigns such as Nature Squared and Bee Friendly Henley, supported by

Greener Henley, to promote pollinator-friendly practices and raise awareness of the impact of pesticide use; is concerned by the damage that the use of pesticides containing neonicotinoids has on areas of wildlife, including the mobility of bees; and calls on the Government to build on the success of the National Pollinator Strategy by creating a complementary National Invertebrate Strategy.

1990 Protection of the Climate Change Act

Tabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **20**

Pippa Heylings

Jim Shannon

Wera Hobhouse

Cameron Thomas

Helen Maguire

Andrew George

Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House condemns the Opposition's proposals to scrap the Climate Change Act 2008 and upend the scientific and political consensus on the need to tackle climate change; understands that meeting the UK's legally binding net zero target by 2050 is our best chance to limit warming to 1.5°C and avoid the worst climate impacts for future generations; is concerned by the worsening impacts of climate change in the UK, including heatwaves leading to more than 1,000 avoidable deaths this summer, escalating food prices due to one of the worst harvests on record, and the growing threat to nature from extreme heat, drought, flooding and rising sea temperatures; reasserts the importance of halving energy bills over a decade by breaking the link between volatile gas prices and electricity costs; further understands that reliance on fossil fuels makes the UK vulnerable to energy price shocks and despots like President Putin; recognises that the green economy is critical to the UK's economic success and is worth over £83 billion, employing nearly a million people, and growing three times faster than the economy as a whole; is deeply concerned by the damage to business, investment certainty and the UK's industrial future that the removal of the Climate Change Act 2008 would create; rejects the idea that keeping Britain dependent on imported fossil fuels is good for economic growth or reducing energy bills; and urges all political parties to support action to tackle climate change, restore nature and protect the planet for future generations.

1992 25th anniversary of the UN Women, Peace and Security agendaTabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **20**

Helen Maguire
Jim Shannon
Wera Hobhouse
Cameron Thomas
Andrew George
Charlotte Cane

Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House celebrates the 25th anniversary of the United Nations' Women, Peace and Security (WPS) agenda; notes the WPS agenda, anchored in UN Security Council Resolution 1325, was groundbreaking in the way it recognised the need to increase the participation of women and incorporate gender perspectives in conflict prevention, peace building and security; recognises that more than 100 countries have adopted national action plans to implement Resolution 1325; commends that, in 2023, women were present in four out of five active UN-led or co-led negotiation processes; acknowledges the need for further female involvement in the peace process; understands that in 2023 women made up only five per cent of negotiators, nine per cent of mediators and 19 per cent of signatories to peace and ceasefire agreements; calls for continued work to increase women's participation in the conflict prevention and peacebuilding process; and thanks individuals and nations championing the United Nations' Women, Peace and Security agenda.

1996 Celebrating 25 years of Smithies Delicatessen and Gin EmporiumTabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **3**

Stephen Gethins
Jim Shannon
Chris Law

That this House congratulates Smithies Delicatessen and Gin Emporium on reaching its 25th anniversary; notes the vital role the Emporium has played in the Arbroath community by offering high-quality local produce, artisanal delicacies, and an exceptional selection of gins; recognises the dedication, passion, and hard work of the Smithies team in supporting local suppliers and creating a welcoming environment for residents and visitors alike; and wishes the Emporium continued success in the years ahead.

1998 Access to school and college transport for disabled young peopleTabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **19****Gideon Amos****Jim Shannon****Wera Hobhouse****Cameron Thomas****Shockat Adam****Helen Maguire**

Dr Ellie Chowns

Zöe Franklin

That this House recognises that disabled young people often have to travel further than other pupils to get the right education or college place; notes that they are less likely than other pupils to travel to school or college independently; expresses concern that, as the law stands, a young person is expected to be in school or training until the age of 18, but once they turn 16 they lose their school or college transport even if they stay on at the same school and their needs have not changed; further notes that problems with school and college transport sometimes mean that some disabled young people are unable to learn or to complete their education and that parents have had to give up their jobs to transport their children to school; acknowledges that some councils offer discretionary transport; regrets that an increasing number of these councils are cutting funding for discretionary transport as they try to balance the books; calls on the Government to consider a review of the age-eligibility requirements for SEND transportation services; further calls on the Government to examine ways of reducing the pressures placed on local authorities by the costs of providing SEND home-to-school transport, while ensuring that the quality of transport provision and educational access is not diminished; and also calls on the Government to exempt SEND transportation services from the increase in National Insurance contributions to reduce the financial burden on local authorities and transport providers.

2001 Protect our hospicesTabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **22****Alison Bennett****Jim Shannon****Wera Hobhouse****Cameron Thomas****Helen Maguire****Neil Duncan-Jordan**

Dr Ellie Chowns

Zöe Franklin

That this House celebrates hospices for providing essential, life changing care to hundreds of thousands of people across the country; notes that hospices receive just one third of their funding from the NHS and that a hit to charitable income can have a material impact on frontline services; regrets that 300 hospice inpatient beds are currently out of use due to lack of funding and staffing; further regrets that the Government's hike in National Insurance

contributions costs hospices £34 million per year; further regrets that hospices endured a real terms decline in funding under the last government; expresses alarm that 40% of hospices are set to make cuts this year; believes that the current model of hospice provision is broken; further believes that a Cinderella service, with provision rationed according to the means of the community, is unacceptable in the 21st century; calls for an end to the postcode lottery of hospice care and funding to be allocated according to need, with ringfenced funding for children's hospices and annual uplifts to at least £30 million by the end of the Parliament; further calls for hospices to be immediately exempted from rises in National Insurance in April 2026; calls for a dedicated hospice workforce plan to end vacancies; and affirms that high quality end of life care should be a right not a privilege, and that no one should die in avoidable isolation, stress or discomfort.

2002 **Project Seagrass**

Tabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **7**

Ann Davies
Llinos Medi
Liz Saville Roberts
Ben Lake
Jim Shannon
Andrew George

Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House commends the work of Project Seagrass, a charity actively working to safeguard seagrass in Caerfyrddin and beyond, dedicated to advancing the conservation of seagrass through education, influence, research and action; notes that seagrasses are flowering plants that live in the shallow, sheltered areas of our coast and support thousands of marine species, producing oxygen, storing carbon, stabilising our coastlines and keeping our oceans clean; highlights that since the late 19th century, it is estimated that one third of the world's seagrass meadows have disappeared; acknowledges that since 2013, Project Seagrass has been committed to science based solutions to the global challenges facing seagrass; further notes that this work has led to the planting of over 2 million seagrass seeds by engaging over 3000 volunteers; and wishes Project Seagrass the very best with their important work protecting and restoring seagrass whilst supporting the continuation of sustainable human activities.

2004 Renewable energy and coalTabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **27****Pippa Heylings****Jim Shannon****Wera Hobhouse****Cameron Thomas****Helen Maguire****Jess Brown-Fuller**

Tom Morrison

Dr Ellie Chowns

Liz Jarvis

Gideon Amos

Colum Eastwood

Vikki Slade

Edward Morello

Brian Mathew

Lisa Smart

That this House celebrates reports that renewable energy has overtaken coal as the world's leading energy source for the first half of this year; notes that solar and wind power have met and outpaced new global energy demand, supporting economic growth and energy security; highlights that solar energy in particular was key to keeping up to new energy demands, especially in low-income countries where 58 per cent of solar energy was generated; welcomes reports from the International Energy Agency indicating that global renewable capacity could more than double by the end of the decade; and emphasises that the continued expansion of renewable energy is essential to tackling the climate crisis, promoting sustainable economic growth, and reducing household energy bills.

2005 Air Ambulance employees and the Ambulance Service (Emergency Duties) Long Service and Good Conduct MedalTabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **15****Liz Jarvis****Jim Shannon****Wera Hobhouse****Helen Maguire****Jess Brown-Fuller****Charlotte Cane**

Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House notes with concern that employees of air ambulance charities, including paramedics, doctors, nurses, critical care practitioners, pilots, technicians, and those in leadership, training, or command roles with prior frontline service, are currently ineligible for the Ambulance Service (Emergency Duties) Long Service and Good Conduct Medal; further notes that these professionals undertake duties fully aligned with NHS emergency care, including responding to life-threatening incidents and delivering urgent and emergency patient care; believes that the exclusion of air ambulance personnel from this formal recognition fails to reflect the parity and value of their service; and calls on the Government to review eligibility for the Ambulance Service (Emergency Duties) Long Service and Good Conduct Medal with a view to extending recognition to appropriately qualified air ambulance staff.

2008 International Credit Union DayTabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **17**

Irene Campbell [R]
Jim Shannon
Neil Duncan-Jordan
Andrew George
Mr Gregory Campbell
John Grady

Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House recognises the vital role that credit unions play in promoting financial stability, financial inclusion, resilience of local communities and ethical banking across the UK; celebrates International Credit Union day, held annually on the third Thursday of October as an opportunity to raise the awareness of the positive impact credit unions have on their communities; acknowledges their contribution to providing affordable, locally-based financial services, such as savings accounts and affordable loans, for everyone; considers that credit unions, as member-owned financial co-operatives, reinvest profits back into local communities, thereby bolstering local economic growth and inclusion; celebrates the growth of credit union membership in the UK, with over 2 million members and more than 350 credit unions, as understood; commends the work done by current and former members to promote credit unions; notes the calls for MPs and all public bodies to engage with the sector, and further notes the calls for continued support to ensure that credit unions thrive as a key pillar of the UK's financial landscape, supporting the development and sustainability of the sector and helping to deliver tangible benefits to individuals and communities, including achieving the Government's commitment to double the size of the co-operative and mutuals sector and advance its financial inclusion strategy.

2012 Digital IDTabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **30**

Siân Berry
Zarah Sultana
Manuela Perteghella
Chris Law
Sorcha Eastwood
Sir Gavin Williamson

Ben Lake

Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House strongly condemns the Government's plans to introduce a mandatory digital ID scheme; notes that after being used in World War 2 compulsory ID cards were abolished in 1952 because of the widespread sentiment that they are fundamentally at odds with British values and civil liberties; believes that sentiment was true then and is true today; further believes any mandatory ID scheme would fundamentally reverse the nature of citizens' relationship with the state and risk turning Britain into a checkpoint society; is deeply concerned such a scheme

would usher in a new era of mass surveillance that would enable a range of other privacy violations, put vast troves of sensitive personal data at high risk of cyberattacks and data breaches and contribute to the digital exclusion of marginalised groups; further notes that a majority of the UK public do not trust the Government to keep digital ID data secure; and calls on the Government to scrap their compulsory ID card proposals.

2021 National inquiry into group-based child sexual exploitation and abuse

Tabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **22**

Rupert Lowe
Mr Peter Bedford
Jim Shannon
Ms Marie Rimmer
Alex Easton
Jack Rankin

Aphra Brandreth

That this House expresses its deep concern at the continued lack of visible progress in establishing the National Inquiry into Group-Based Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse, announced by the Government in June 2025; notes that, four months later, no Chair has been appointed, no Terms of Reference have been published, and no hearings or local investigations have begun; further notes that victims and survivors have waited decades for answers, justice, and accountability while government departments and local agencies continue to evade scrutiny; calls on the Home Secretary to publish without delay a full update on (a) the appointment process for the Chair, (b) the Inquiry's budget, staffing and timeline and (c) the mechanisms for survivor engagement; and urges the Government to ensure the Inquiry is established under the Inquiries Act 2005 with full statutory powers to compel evidence from public officials, police forces and local authorities so that truth and justice are finally delivered for the victims of rape gangs nationwide.

2023 World Mental Health Day 2025

Tabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **3**

Jim Shannon
Adam Jogee
Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House notes that World Mental Health Day was marked on 10 October 2025, providing an important opportunity to raise awareness and promote greater understanding of mental health issues across society; expresses deep concern at the persistently high levels of poor mental health in Northern Ireland, which has a 25% higher overall prevalence of mental illness than other parts of the UK; notes with particular concern that young people in Northern Ireland are experiencing rising levels of anxiety, depression and self-harm, with suicide remaining the leading cause of death among people aged 15 to 24; further notes that

one in five adults in Northern Ireland is estimated to have a probable mental illness and that there is no discrimination on who is impacted; highlights the work of charities, schools, health professionals and community groups who offer vital support and early intervention services; and calls for sustained investment in mental health infrastructure, workforce, and preventative care to ensure everyone has access to the support they need.

2025 London Underground cleaners

Tabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **17**

Apsana Begum
Bell Ribeiro-Addy
Barry Gardiner
John McDonnell
Ms Diane Abbott
Margaret Mullane

Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House supports the campaign by outsourced cleaners on London Underground to be employed in-house; agrees with the Mayor that these cleaners saved lives during the pandemic; notes that ABM's contract is due to end in March 2026; further notes with concern RMT's warning that the Mayor of London may have been misled by TfL into believing that re-tendering was now the only option open to him; also notes with further concern that if the contract is re-tendered these cleaners face five more years being overworked, denied sick pay and facing poverty in retirement; welcomes the legal advice from Michael Ford KC which indicates that the Mayor can further extend the existing contract to allow for TfL to make preparations to run the service in-house; and calls on the Mayor to direct TfL to extend the contract, cancel the re-tender and commit to running the service in-house once the extension ends.

2027 Flood Action Week 2025

Tabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **24**

Sarah Dyke
Brian Mathew
Dr Roz Savage
Tom Gordon
Wera Hobhouse
Jim Shannon

Dr Ellie Chowns

Zöe Franklin

That this House notes the importance of Flood Action Week, the Environment Agency's annual campaign encouraging individuals and communities to prepare for flooding by raising awareness of risks and offering guidance on staying safe; acknowledges that this year's campaign, running from 13 to 19 October, coincides with the second anniversary of Storm Babet; recognises that, since then, communities including those in Somerset have endured repeated

flooding from Storms Henk, Bert and Eowyn; highlights the campaign's value in urging people to check flood risk, sign up for warnings, prepare emergency plans and take vital steps such as knowing how to turn off utilities and never walking or driving through flood water; regrets the recent withdrawal notice issued by the Environment Agency concerning the cessation of maintenance on Somerset's designated Main Rivers, weakening local flood resilience; welcomes the Government's £2.4 billion commitment to flood defences for 2024-25 and 2025-26, but urges that funding be extended and ring-fenced beyond this period to ensure long-term preparedness; recognises the vital role of farmers and landowners in natural flood management by storing water and slowing the flow to prevent downstream flooding; and calls on the Government to review the qualifying criteria for the Farming Recovery Fund so it better reflects the realities faced by rural communities and farmers living with the consequences of flooding.

2032 Anniversary of the Battle of Cable Street

Tabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **14**

Apsana Begum
Bell Ribeiro-Addy
Steve Witherden
Kim Johnson
Richard Burgon
John McDonnell

Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House marks the 89th anniversary of the Battle of Cable Street when on 4 October 1936, Oswald Mosley and members of the British Union of Fascists were blocked from marching through East London by the Jewish community, trade unionists, socialists and others; recognises the continuing importance of the Battle of Cable Street in inspiring communities uniting together in solidarity in the fight against the far right; pays tribute to the rich cultural and political history of the Jewish community in East London; and reaffirms its commitment to the fight against racism, fascism and antisemitism.

2033 Dyslexia Awareness Week

Tabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **22**

Adam Dance
Alex Brewer
Jim Shannon
Cameron Thomas
Wera Hobhouse
Helen Maguire

Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House celebrates dyslexia awareness week from 6 to 10 October 2025; notes that the theme of this year's dyslexia awareness week is raise the volume, focusing on the voices of

young people with dyslexia and their stories, challenges, and successes; notes with concern that too many dyslexic people feel misunderstood, overlooked, and singled out, describing their dyslexia as a something to be hidden, a sign they are not clever, and a source of bullying; recognises that the Government's forthcoming Special Educational Needs and Disability reforms represent a real opportunity to fix education with young people; and urges the Government to give young people with dyslexia the fair start they deserve by making education more inclusive and accessible.

2042 Extinction of the slender-billed curlew

Tabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **18**

Chris Hinchliff [R]

Neil Duncan-Jordan

Jim Shannon

Andrew George

Robin Swann

Irene Campbell

Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House notes with deep sadness the confirmed extinction of the Slender-Billed Curlew, the first recorded extinction of a mainland bird species from mainland Europe, North Africa and West Asia; acknowledges the likely causes of its decline, including the drainage of bog and wetland breeding grounds, loss of coastal feeding habitats, hunting and other environmental pressures; recognises that the Eurasian Curlew, commonly known as the Curlew, now faces similar threats from habitat loss, agricultural intensification and climate change; further notes that the UK holds around a quarter of the global breeding population of Curlews, placing a particular responsibility on the UK to ensure their survival; and therefore calls on the Government to support and strengthen measures for Curlew conservation, including habitat restoration and protection, nature-friendly farming schemes, the prevention of inappropriate afforestation in breeding areas, and the safeguarding and sustainable management of coastal wetlands to secure the future of this iconic species.

2043 Indefinite leave to remain and settlementTabled: **14/10/25** Signatories: **11**

Carla Denyer
Andrew George
Siân Berry
Adrian Ramsay
Jim Shannon
Nadia Whittome

Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House recognises that access to settlement and citizenship is vital for migrants' security and stability, and strengthens the UK economically and socially; notes credible evidence that settlement accelerates economic participation, improves educational outcomes for children, and deepens social and civic integration; further notes that communities and local economies benefit when people are able to put down secure roots and plan for the future; expresses deep concern at proposals in the Immigration White Paper to extend the standard qualifying period for settlement to 10 years, doubling the time many will spend subject to no recourse to public funds and significantly increasing costs they must pay; further expresses concern that proposals made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department to change the eligibility criteria for indefinite leave to remain will leave some people unable to ever access settlement; also notes that long routes to settlement, high application fees and bureaucratic requirements set by the Home Office, combined with no recourse to public funds, creates long-term financial insecurity, puts migrants at higher risk of poverty and is a driver of inequality; affirms that fair, affordable and timely routes to settlement are essential for equal opportunity and social cohesion; and calls on the Government to introduce a simpler, shorter and more affordable settlement process that recognises the broad nature of the contributions migrants make, avoids driving hardship, and supports stronger, more resilient communities across the UK.

2044 Parkrun's 21st anniversaryTabled: **14/10/25** Signatories: **18**

Helen Maguire
Apsana Begum
Cameron Thomas
Dr Danny Chambers
Wera Hobhouse
Charlotte Cane

Tom Gordon

Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House celebrates the 21st anniversary of Parkrun on 14 October 2025; recognises that what began in 2004 with just 13 runners in Bushy Park, London, has grown into a global movement involving millions of walkers, joggers, runners, and volunteers in communities across the UK and around the world; commends Parkrun's outstanding contribution to public health,

community cohesion and wellbeing by providing free, weekly, timed events that are accessible to all regardless of age, background, or ability; pays tribute to the thousands of volunteers whose commitment makes Parkrun possible every weekend; and looks forward to the continued success of Parkrun in encouraging physical activity, social connection, and healthier, happier lives for all.

2047 Political donationsTabled: **14/10/25** Signatories: **25****Manuela Perteghella****Dr Danny Chambers****Wera Hobhouse****Jess Brown-Fuller****Charlotte Cane****Claire Young**

Tom Gordon

Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House calls on the Government to introduce a cap on political donations and to commission an independent review to recommend the appropriate level for such a cap; notes with concern the negative influence of large and foreign donations on the democratic process; further calls for measures to prevent political donations made by foreign nationals resident outside the UK through UK-registered companies; and believes that such reforms would strengthen transparency, fairness and integrity in the funding of political parties, elections and campaigns, ensuring that democracy in the UK is protected from undue influence.

2052 Fruit and Vegetable Aid SchemeTabled: **14/10/25** Signatories: **37****Tim Farron****Dr Danny Chambers****Wera Hobhouse****Jess Brown-Fuller****Charlotte Cane****David Chadwick**

Dr Ellie Chowns

Zöe Franklin

That this House regrets the Government's decision to close the Fruit and Vegetable Aid Scheme in December 2025; further regrets the lack of clarity for the sector about funding arrangements beyond this date; understands this scheme previously supported increased productivity and innovation in the sector, providing nutritious food for our plates; is concerned that growers and farmers who trade between England and Scotland or the EU could be disadvantaged given that the scheme is due to continue in Scotland; also regrets that this decision comes at a time of increasing uncertainty for farmers after the Government's changes to Agricultural Property Relief, real terms cuts to the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

(DEFRA) budget announced in the Spending Review, and sudden closure of the Sustainable Farming Incentive scheme; recognises with deep concern that these decisions preceded one of the worst harvests on record, putting our food security at greater risk and pushing up food prices; and calls on the Government to ensure growers are not put at a disadvantage, give them the financial stability, and commit to increasing DEFRA's budget by £1billion per year to ensure farmers have the support they need to produce high quality food for our tables while protecting and enhancing our natural environment.

2054 Life Beyond the Glassworks project and the Thursday Club

Tabled: **14/10/25** Signatories: **6**

Brian Leishman
Jon Trickett
Apsana Begum
Jim Shannon
Ian Lavery
Neil Duncan-Jordan

That this House congratulates the members of the Thursday Club in Alloa on the completion of their remarkable Life Beyond the Glassworks project, undertaken in partnership with the University of Stirling's Faculty of Social Science as part of the Festival of Social Science; recognises that this year-long oral history initiative has trained and empowered local participants to document and celebrate Alloa's heritage and community spirit through a new documentary film; pays tribute to the hard work, creativity, and dedication of the participants, many of whom face barriers such as unemployment, disability, and social isolation, yet have shown outstanding commitment to developing new skills and confidence; commends the organisers and researchers involved for their role in capturing the lived experiences and collective memory of the town; and celebrates this project as a shining example of how community-led storytelling can strengthen social inclusion, pride, and connection.

2055 Global Lobular Breast Cancer Awareness Day 2025

Tabled: **14/10/25** Signatories: **39**

Helen Maguire
John Milne
Cameron Thomas
Charlotte Cane
Ian Sollom
Dr Danny Chambers

Tom Gordon

Dr Ellie Chowns

Zöe Franklin

That this House notes that Wednesday 15 October 2025 marks the second annual Global Lobular Breast Cancer Awareness Day; recognises that every day 22 women in the UK are diagnosed with lobular breast cancer; further notes that lobular breast cancer is the second

most common type of breast cancer yet remains under-researched and without dedicated treatments; acknowledges the vital work of the Lobular Moon Shot Project, launched by Dr Susan Michaelis, whose legacy continues to drive awareness and action; expresses concern that despite meetings held in July with the Secretary of State and promises of progress, no dedicated Government funding has yet been committed for research into lobular breast cancer treatments; and calls on the Government to work with researchers, charities and clinicians to urgently fund targeted research and to support the development of effective treatments, ensuring that those affected by lobular breast cancer are no longer left behind.

2056 Badger protectionTabled: **14/10/25** Signatories: **6**

Adrian Ramsay
Alex Easton
Andrew George
Carla Denyer
Siân Berry
Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House notes that cattle to cattle transmission is the main cause of the spread of bovine tuberculosis (TB); considers that culling badgers to eradicate bovine TB is unscientific, ineffective and unnecessary; is concerned that 51% of the badger population estimate in 2013 have been culled since then and that the Government's TB Eradication Strategy allows the continued killing of badgers, a protected species, until the end of this Parliament; is further concerned by proposals in the Planning and Infrastructure Bill to undermine the Badger Protection Act 1992; supports evidence-based policy making to eradicate bovine TB that will benefit farmers and their cattle, while avoiding the devastation and costs to the public purse associated with the mass slaughter of our wildlife; and therefore calls on the Government to stop the persecution of badgers, withdraw plans to weaken the legal protection currently given to badgers, and to immediately end its policy of badger culling, in favour of cattle and badger vaccination, improved testing and strengthened biosecurity.

2058 Climate adaptationTabled: **15/10/25** Signatories: **4**

Adrian Ramsay
Carla Denyer
Siân Berry
Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House notes the Climate Change Committee's (CCC) assessment that the UK is not yet adapted for the changes in weather and climate that we are living with today, let alone those that are expected over coming decades; further notes the Joint Intelligence Committee's warning that climate breakdown poses a severe national security threat; is concerned that one in six homes in England and one third of railway and road miles are now at risk of flooding,

and that an extra 30,000 deaths a year from extreme heat in England and Wales are expected by the 2070s; regrets that the Government has not yet introduced measurable or time-bound adaptation targets or delivered concrete actions, such as a heat strategy or a maximum safe temperature for workplaces; highlights that failing to invest now in making our economy, communities, housing, public services and infrastructure climate resilient will cost more in the long term and threatens lives, as well as jobs and the security of our food, water and energy supplies; urges the Government to therefore immediately adopt the CCC recommendation to prepare the country for the weather extremes that will be experienced if global warming levels reach 2°C above preindustrial levels by 2050; and further urges the Government to introduce a new sixth mission to protect the public against the growing climate threat, alongside a National Climate Resilience Plan to ensure preparedness is fully integrated into all sectors, including housing, transport, and infrastructure.

2059 **35 years of Macmillan Cancer Support's Coffee Morning**

Tabled: **15/10/25** Signatories: **26**

Helen Maguire

Luke Myer

Mr Lee Dillon

Mr Joshua Reynolds

Dr Danny Chambers

Steve Darling

Mr Gregory Campbell

Tom Gordon

Tom Morrison

Dr Ellie Chowns

Andrew George

Zöe Franklin

That this House celebrates the 35th anniversary of Macmillan Cancer Support's Coffee Morning, one of the UK's longest-running and most successful fundraising campaigns; recognises the incredible contribution of communities, workplaces and volunteers across the country who have come together over the years to raise millions to support people living with cancer; commends Macmillan Cancer Support for its tireless work to improve cancer care, reduce inequalities in access to treatment, and provide vital financial, emotional and practical support to patients and their families; notes Macmillan's continuing efforts to ensure that everyone living with cancer receives personalised care and the right support at the right time; further acknowledges the importance of sustained investment in the cancer workforce, early diagnosis, and integrated support services; and looks forward to the publication of the Government's forthcoming National Cancer Strategy, ensuring that it delivers measurable progress in outcomes, workforce planning and patient experience.

2063 Elon Musk at the Unite the Kingdom rallyTabled: **15/10/25** Signatories: **43**

Ed Davey
Dr Roz Savage
Luke Myer
Wendy Chamberlain
Mr Joshua Reynolds
Charlotte Cane

Gideon Amos

Tom Gordon

Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House notes with grave concern the actions of Elon Musk in inciting violence and attempting to subvert our democracy at Tommy Robinson's Unite the Kingdom rally; further notes that such actions risk legitimising extremism, undermining community cohesion and threatening public safety; believes that individuals who enable or encourage divisive and inflammatory activity should be held to account for their conduct; further believes that all individuals who use their platforms to spread or endorse harmful and divisive content should be held to account; recognises that no person, regardless of wealth or power, should be allowed to use their platform to inflame tensions or incite violence; and therefore demands that Elon Musk be summoned to appear at the Bar of the House of Commons to be reprimanded and publicly admonished for his conduct.

2066 BrakeTabled: **16/10/25** Signatories: **7**

Liz Saville Roberts
Ben Lake
Llinos Medi
Ann Davies
Jim Shannon
Andrew George

Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House commends the work of Brake, the road safety campaign; notes their work in campaigning to end road crashes, supporting people affected by road death and injury, and working tirelessly towards their vision of a world where no one is killed or hurt on a road; further notes with deep concern that every day, on average, five people die on UK roads and 82 are seriously injured; highlights that Brake's campaigning involves a number of common-sense proposals including reducing default speed limits on roads in built-up areas, progressive licensing to safeguard young and newly qualified drivers, and ensuring that new vehicles that include the latest-generation, life-saving vehicle safety technology; and calls on the Government to work alongside Brake to work towards a world where we can all move in a safe and healthy way, whoever we are and however we travel.

2068 South Downs National ParkTabled: **16/10/25** Signatories: **18**

Dr Danny Chambers
Mr Angus MacDonald
Rachel Gilmour
Helen Maguire
Steve Darling
Susan Murray

Charlotte Cane
 Zöe Franklin

Wera Hobhouse
 Tom Morrison

Clive Jones

That this House reaffirms its commitment to preserve National Parks and defend the Protected Landscapes Duty; maintains that it is paramount that we protect National Parks as a means of ensuring that we all have access to nature and promote healthy ecosystems; notes that 90% of rivers in the South Downs National Park are not achieving a good status for nature and that any such decision to remove environmental protections now, or in the future, would be catastrophic; welcomes the findings of the Independent Water Commission to replace Ofwat as the water regulator; and urges the Government to get on with setting up a new, stronger regulator to hold water companies to account and stop the sewage scandal once and for all, and expand nature-based solutions to improve water resilience and restore precious habitats, especially in National Park areas.

2071 Farmgate milk price reductionTabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **21**

Sarah Dyke
Dr Danny Chambers
Martin Wrigley
Pippa Heylings
Jim Shannon
Brian Mathew

John Milne
 Jess Brown-Fuller
 Wera Hobhouse
 Dr Ellie Chowns
 Jim Allister

Charlotte Cane
 Mr Will Forster
 Adam Dance
 Edward Morello
 Zöe Franklin

Gideon Amos
 Dr Roz Savage
 Andrew George
 Clive Jones
 Ian Roome

That this House expresses concern regarding the significant downturn of the farmgate milk price at a point where the cost of production is increasing; recognises the challenges to farmers unless the cost of production can be reduced; further recognises that the milk price drop follows an unprecedented dry summer causing one of the worst harvests on record forcing farmers to buy in additional winter feed leaving them struggling to cover overheads; understands that despite the introduction of Fair Dealing Obligations (Milk), farmers remain subject to one-

sided contracts that allow processors to cut prices unsustainably, threatening the viability of the UK's dairy industry; notes that these pressures are being compounded by global market volatility and the impact of the proposed changes to Agricultural Property Relief, the no notice closure of SFI with limited clarity on its future iteration and the late announcement of the mid-tier Countryside Stewardship Agreements continuation into next year; expresses alarm that the number of dairy farms has declined by more than 30%, with the national herd having depleted by 90,000 since 2015; and calls on the Government to secure a fair deal for British farmers by bringing both regulators together under the GCA, strengthening its powers and resources, while applying the Principle of Fair Dealings to protect the long-term future of the British dairy industry.

2072 Council elections in areas pursuing devolution reform

Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **19**

Dr Al Pinkerton
Dr Danny Chambers
James McMurdock
Martin Wrigley
Jim Shannon
John Milne

Wera Hobhouse
 Mr Will Forster
 Steff Aquarone [R]
 Andrew George
 Clive Jones

Jess Brown-Fuller
 Dr Roz Savage
 Susan Murray
 Tom Gordon

Zöe Franklin
 Cameron Thomas
 Mr Joshua Reynolds
 Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House notes with deep concern reports that elections in council areas included in the Government's devolution priority programme, including in Surrey, may be delayed for a second consecutive year; further notes that such a delay would extend the terms of sitting county councillors beyond their democratic mandate, thereby undermining public confidence in local democracy; recognises that residents across affected counties have already expressed widespread dismay at the cancellation of elections scheduled for May 2025; believes that any further postponement would represent an unacceptable democratic deficit and set a troubling precedent for the suspension of regular electoral processes; calls on the Government to ensure that local government reorganisation and devolution reforms are conducted in a fair, transparent and politically impartial manner; further calls on Ministers to provide immediate clarification to Parliament by outlining what discussions have been held with Conservative council leaders and what lobbying or consultation has taken place across affected counties; and urges the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government to rule out any further delay to county elections, ensuring that residents retain their right to elect representatives at the earliest opportunity.

2073 National inquiry into child sexual exploitationTabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **33****Max Wilkinson****Charlotte Cane****Ben Maguire****Dr Danny Chambers****Dr Al Pinkerton****Brian Mathew**

Mr Joshua Reynolds

Tom Morrison

Jim Shannon

Richard Foord

Alex Brewer

Cameron Thomas

Andrew George

Dr Ellie Chowns

Clive Jones

Chris Coghlan

Susan Murray

John Milne

Jess Brown-Fuller

Dr Roz Savage

Adam Dance

Rachel Gilmour

Edward Morello

Zöe Franklin

Martin Wrigley

Pippa Heylings

Wera Hobhouse

Mr Will Forster

Steff Aquarone

Bobby Dean

Ian Sollom

James MacCleary

Olly Glover

That this House recognises that child sexual abuse is one of the most despicable crimes; supports all measures that deliver justice for victims and help prevent these horrific acts from occurring in the future; welcomes the launch of the new inquiry following the Casey and Jay reviews; urges the Government to ensure that it proceeds with the urgency and thoroughness that victims deserve; notes the importance of fully implementing all recommendations from both the Casey and Jay reviews to achieve real change and meaningful support for victims; expresses concern at the political exploitation of victims by some parties; calls on all Members to prioritise justice and prevention over political point-scoring; further calls on the Government to establish a statutory public inquiry without further delay which includes meaningful engagement with survivors and families; also calls on the Government to publish its terms of reference and full details of its budget, staffing and timeline; further urges the Government to provide regular updates to MPs and the public on the progress of the inquiry; and welcomes the recent introduction of a Hillsborough Law with a duty of candour, which requires public officials and authorities to cooperate fully with inquiries, thereby improving accountability.

2074 Scotland Demands Better campaignTabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **2****Maureen Burke****Jim Shannon**

That this House supports the Scotland Demands Better campaign led by the Poverty Alliance which calls for an end to poverty in Scotland; notes that people, communities and organisations will gather in Edinburgh on 25 October to urge elected members of all parties to deliver better jobs, better social security and better investment in life's essentials; recognises that the

campaign is a response to high rates of poverty, with one in five people living in poverty in Scotland, rising to almost one in four children; and commends the campaign's aims of ending hunger, insecurity and poverty in Scotland.

2075 Conduct of Prince Andrew

Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **21**

Stephen Flynn
Kirsty Blackman
Pete Wishart
Brendan O'Hara
Dave Doogan
Chris Law

Siân Berry
Carla Denyer
Adrian Ramsay

Dr Ellie Chowns
Sorcha Eastwood
Nadia Whittome

Freddie van Mierlo
Claire Hanna

That this House calls on the Government to take legislative steps to remove the dukedom granted to Prince Andrew.

2076 40th anniversary of Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **18**

Helen Maguire
Mr Gregory Campbell
Mr Joshua Reynolds
Martin Wrigley
Jim Shannon
Tom Morrison

Charlotte Cane
Mr Will Forster
Andrew George
Jim Allister

Wera Hobhouse
Dr Roz Savage
Tom Gordon
Zöe Franklin

Jess Brown-Fuller
Steff Aquarone
Dr Ellie Chowns
Ian Roome

That this House recognises October 2025 as the 40th anniversary of Breast Cancer Awareness Month; acknowledges the significant progress made in improving survival and remission rates over the past four decades; notes that breast cancer remains the most common cancer in the United Kingdom, with one in eight women diagnosed in their lifetime; further notes the importance of early detection through screening and self-examination, which has been central to improving outcomes and increasing remission rates; pays tribute to the researchers, clinicians, charities, and campaigners who have advanced understanding, treatment, and

care for those affected; and calls on the Government to sustain investment in research, ensure equitable access to screening and follow-up care across the UK, and continue efforts to raise awareness and reduce inequalities in diagnosis and long-term recovery.

2077 10th anniversary of Harrogate Junior Parkrun

Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **4**

Tom Gordon
Adam Jogee
Martin Wrigley
Jim Shannon

That this House celebrates the 10th anniversary of Harrogate Junior Parkrun, held at Valley Gardens, Harrogate; celebrates the organisers, volunteers and participants who have made the 438 events a success; thanks the 959 volunteers who have given their time on Sunday mornings for the last decade to make the event possible; warmly congratulates the 5,266 finishers who have accumulated 42,740 total finishes; recognises the contribution of Junior Parkrun to children and families in Harrogate and Knaresborough; notes that this free, weekly, two kilometre event offers children aged 4 to 14 the opportunity to improve their physical fitness, wellbeing and community spirit; and calls on the Government to continue to support children's grassroots physical activity initiatives.

2078 Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund and its work in Wiltshire

Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **7**

Sarah Gibson
Martin Wrigley
Jim Shannon
Brian Mathew
Dr Roz Savage
Clive Jones

Ian Roome

That this House recognises the exceptional work of the Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund (RAFBF) in supporting members of the RAF family and their dependants across the United Kingdom; commends in particular its vital contribution in Wiltshire, home to many serving personnel, veterans, and their families; applauds the Fund's wide-ranging support for those in need, including financial assistance, housing support, mental health services, and wellbeing programmes; notes that this work is especially important at a time when too many veterans continue to fall through the gaps in public provision and face challenges with housing, cost-of-living pressures, and access to mental health care; agrees that those who have put their lives on the line in defence of our country deserve proper recognition, respect, and support; and calls on the Government to work closely with trusted charities such as the RAFBF to deliver a fair deal

for service personnel and veterans, including ensuring that compensation for illness or injury is never subject to means testing, improving access to decent housing, and expanding mental health support for those who have served.

2079 **World Sight Day 2025**

Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **5**

Jim Shannon
Adam Jogee
Mr Gregory Campbell
Andrew George
Dr Ellie Chowns

That this House notes that World Sight Day 2025 was marked on 9 October 2025; highlights that the day is dedicated to raising awareness about vision impairment, blindness and the general importance of eye health; recognises the need for regular eye examinations, early intervention and access to eye care for all; further highlights efforts to eliminate preventable blindness and improve the quality of sight for all individuals; and urges the Government to take stronger and more immediate action to improve the provision and accessibility of eyesight health services across the country.

2080 **70th anniversary of Raffrey GB**

Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **2**

Jim Shannon
Mr Gregory Campbell

That this House congratulates Raffrey GB on the occasion of its 70th anniversary in 2025; notes the 136th NI Raffrey Presbyterian Girls' Brigade company was formed in 1955 by the Rev R T A Marshall and his wife, Theo who later moved to live in Canada; highlights the commitment of its officers, leaders, and volunteers over the years, who have supported young girls in their personal and social development as they grow through the ranks; underlines that there has been many successes in various competitions both at District and Northern Ireland levels, including PE, marching, craft and scripture; further notes that there will be a 70th anniversary service held on Sunday, October 19th at Raffrey Presbyterian Church; and wishes the Brigade all the very best for the next seventy years and thanks them for all they do for the local community.

2081 30th anniversary of the York Road Project in WokingTabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **4****Mr Will Forster****Jim Shannon****Clive Jones****Zöe Franklin**

That this House congratulates York Road Project in Woking on marking 30 years since its founding as Woking Winter Watch in 1995; notes that it began when concerned local churchgoers came together to provide warmth, food and emergency relief to those sleeping rough during the winter months; recognises how the project has grown into a vital local charity offering emergency accommodation and support to help people rebuild their lives; and pays tribute to York Road Project's staff, volunteers and supporters who for three decades have offered a bed, a base and their backing to people experiencing homelessness in Woking, helping thousands to find a place to call home.

2082 Gloucestershire Tech WeekTabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **3****Max Wilkinson****Jim Shannon****Clive Jones**

That this House congratulates CyNam on hosting the first ever Gloucestershire Tech Week; recognises its success in uniting industry professionals, innovators, policymakers, academics, and young talent through an immersive programme of events and partnerships; and commends its role in showcasing regional excellence in the technology and cyber sectors.

2083 Lions at LargeTabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **3****Max Wilkinson****Adam Jogee****Jim Shannon**

That this House celebrates the success of Lions at Large, the Pride of Gloucestershire Trail, in bringing creativity and community spirit to Cheltenham; applauds the 32 large lion sculptures created by local artists and the 54 smaller cubs designed by schools and community groups; commends their work in showcasing Gloucestershire's culture and diversity; and celebrates the organisers for raising funds in support of new cancer care facilities in Cheltenham.

2084 East Tilbury Primary School awardTabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **3****James McMurdock****Jim Shannon****Rupert Lowe**

That this House congratulates East Tilbury Primary School on being awarded the Platinum OPAL Play Award from the Outdoor Play and Learning (OPAL) programme; acknowledges the school's outstanding commitment to providing high-quality, inclusive and enriching play experiences for all pupils; notes the significant role that play has in supporting children's physical health, emotional wellbeing, and social development; and commends the dedication of staff in embedding play as a core part of the school culture.

2085 Cancellation of local electionsTabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **3****James McMurdock****Rupert Lowe****Andrew George**

That this House expresses regret at the cancellation of the 2025 local elections in Essex, Thurrock and across the UK; expresses concern at the possibility of further delays; welcomes the Government's commitment that the postponed elections will proceed as scheduled in 2026; and calls on the Government to uphold this commitment as the scheduled date approaches.

2086 Local government reorganisationTabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **3****James McMurdock****Jim Shannon****Rupert Lowe**

That this House expresses concern that reorganised councils in Essex may initially be constituted using existing ward, division or parish boundaries, and therefore may not comply with the electoral equality requirements set by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England (LGBCE); recognises that the first elections to any new authority will be critically important for making long-term decisions; and calls on the Government to require that the LGBCE undertake an urgent boundary review for any newly proposed authority where utilising existing boundaries would result in non-compliance with electoral equality.

2087 Newcastle-under-Lyme Love NuL Business Awards 2025Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **2****Adam Jogee****Jim Shannon**

That this House notes that the Love NuL Business Awards were held on Friday 10 October 2025 at the Newcastle and Stafford College Group Performing Arts Centre in Newcastle-under-Lyme; congratulates all the winners at the Love NuL Awards Ceremony; acknowledges that Divinity Studio won the Independent Business of the Year Award, The Little Vic won the Hospitality Business of the Year Award, Specsavers Newcastle-under-Lyme branch won the Professional Services Award, Independent Studios won the Trader of the Year Award, The Hair House won the Customer Service Award, Brampton Museum won the Visitor Attraction of the Year Award, Peter Pan Centre won the Community Project of the Year Award, Hurricane Gaming won the New Business of the Year Award, Piccoloco won the Spirit of Newcastle-under-Lyme Business, Janet Lowe from McDonald's won the Spirit of Newcastle-under-Lyme Person Award, and that Shaws Chippy won the Lifetime Achievement Award; recognises all the local residents from May Bank to Madeley and from Audley to Westbury Park who took part in the competition and voted; celebrates all the local businesses shortlisted for an award; thanks the sponsors of the awards; and recommits to championing all the businesses that power the local economy in Newcastle-under-Lyme.

2088 Non-indexed pre-1997 pensionsTabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **4****Neil Duncan-Jordan****Jim Shannon****Andrew George****Dr Ellie Chowns**

That this House notes that hundreds of thousands of former employees of 3M, American Express, Hewlett-Packard, Chevron, Pfizer and Wood Group, among others, face massively-reduced pensions from their pre-1997 contributions; understands that the Pension Act 1995 does not require for pension indexation for service before 1997; believes that, over this time, those affected have seen a huge decrease in value of their occupational pensions, because the lack of indexation meant pensions have not risen alongside rising costs, eroding income and leaving many now facing extreme financial hardship; further believes that allowing for discretionary increases to be a matter between companies and trustees has disadvantaged and discriminated against this group of pensioners; and calls on the Government to put pressure on the companies concerned to make good the indexation of former employees' pensions for their pension contributions prior to 1997 and to consider retrospective legislation to encourage those companies who have not provided a significant discretionary uplift to former employee pensions, to help to mitigate value erosion from inflation to their company pensions.

2089 Bob Kindness award for fishing innovationTabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **2****Mr Angus MacDonald**
Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates Bob Kindness on winning the Scottish Land and Estates' Helping it Happen award for salmon and sea trout success on the River Carron; recognises that his work on the River Carron has transformed fish populations through an innovative stocking programme and captive broodstock facility, revitalising the river's salmon and sea trout numbers; notes the leading position rural Scotland holds in farming and food production innovation; thanks Scottish Land and Estates for shining a light on the inspirational individuals and groups driving positive change across Scotland's countryside; and congratulates all the other award winners who have shown outstanding achievements in rural enterprise, community engagement, education, innovation and environmental stewardship.

2090 Highland Home Carers anniversaryTabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **4****Mr Angus MacDonald**
Jim Shannon
Wera Hobhouse
Clive Jones

That this House congratulates Highland Home Carers on 21 years of employee ownership and being a leading adult social care provider; thanks them for all the dedication, hard work and support they provide to the elderly in the Highlands; recognises the large number of jobs they have created and the six million hours of care and support delivered; commends their dedication to employee ownership and the socio-economic benefit this has had for the region; and wishes the Highland Home Carers all the best with their growth and future following their anniversary.

2091 Eric Flack BEMTabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **3****Patricia Ferguson**
Adam Jogee
Jim Shannon

That this House commends Eric Flack BEM on his enduring dedication and service to the communities of Old Drumchapel and Blairdardie; understands that Eric was a founding member of the Blairdardie and Old Drumchapel Community Council, which this year celebrates its 50th anniversary; recognises that he has served on the community council since its establishment, currently as its Secretary; notes that through his service Eric has played an integral role in the community by representing the views of residents, facilitating engagement, and aiding in local

development through supporting community planning and initiatives; further notes that Eric has played a particularly important role in Drumchapel Tennis Club, starting in an organising role in the 1970s, and currently serving as the Club's President and as a coach; understands that Eric's work with the Tennis Club was recognised in 2017 when he was awarded UK Coach of the Year by Tennis For Free; acknowledges that Eric's commitment to the local community was also recognised in 2014 when he was awarded a British Empire Medal for services to tennis and the community in the Queen's Honours List, and was selected as a torch bearer during the Glasgow Commonwealth Games; thanks Eric for his five decades of service to the local community, inspiring many across Old Drumchapel and Blairdardie to engage in sport and contribute to the development and cohesion of the area; and wishes him continued success in his future endeavours.

2092 **Jock McInnes induction into the British Boxers' Hall of Fame**

Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **3**

Pete Wishart

Jim Shannon

Chris Law

That this House congratulates Jock McInnes on his nomination for induction into the British Boxers' Hall of Fame in 2026; recognises this well-deserved honour as a testament to his outstanding lifetime of service to the Ex-Boxers' Associations across the UK; pays tribute to his tireless fundraising work on behalf of the boxing community, having organised and administered numerous charity challenges both in the UK and internationally; highlights his extraordinary efforts which have included Tandem Skydiving, climbing Mount Kinabalu, trekking across the Sahara Desert, summiting Mount Kilimanjaro, Mount Elbrus, Mount Toubkal and Moldoveanu, enduring the Gobi Desert and the Nepal experience, undertaking a fire walk, and most recently scaling Mont Etna, with a fundraising trek in Italy planned for November; further acknowledges Jock's unwavering dedication to preserving the legacy, camaraderie and welfare of former boxers; notes with pride that Jock is the first individual from Perth and Kinross to receive this national recognition; commends his invaluable contribution to British boxing, both in and out of the ring; and further recognises the inspiration he provides to younger generations through his example of commitment, resilience and community spirit, ensuring the enduring values of boxing continue to thrive beyond the sport itself.

2093 Future of BBC Radio 4 LongwaveTabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **9**

Tim Farron
Jim Shannon
Wera Hobhouse
Gideon Amos
Mr Will Forster
Dr Danny Chambers

Andrew George

Clive Jones

Zöe Franklin

That this House notes with concern the BBC's intention to cease broadcasting BBC Radio 4 on Longwave, ending a 90-year tradition of national service; recognises the cultural and historical importance of programmes such as The Shipping Forecast, The Daily Service and Test Match Special, and that the Sovereign's Speeches have been carried on Longwave since its inception; further notes that Longwave remains a vital part of the UK's broadcasting infrastructure, providing reliable analogue coverage during emergencies and in remote areas; and calls on the BBC to maintain Radio 4 Longwave transmissions for the foreseeable future and to conduct a full public impact assessment before any closure is confirmed.

2094 Life and work of Dr Jane GoodallTabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **8**

Helen Maguire
Adam Jogee
Jim Shannon
Wera Hobhouse
Andrew George
Dr Ellie Chowns

Clive Jones

Zöe Franklin

That this House celebrates the work and life of Dr Jane Goodall; commends her pioneering research on chimps and spirit of adventure; recognises the influence Dr Jane Goodall had on encouraging and inspiring female participation in science and conservation; acknowledges Dr Goodall's approach to observing and associating with the animals she studied resulted in her ground breaking findings; notes her efforts to raise awareness of climate change and protecting habitats; calls for this House to support more women and girls to enter careers in science and conservation; and sends its condolences to Dr Jane Goodall's family.

2095 NHS dentist appointmentsTabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **2****James McMurdock****Jim Shannon**

That this House expresses concern at the continued lack of access to NHS dentist appointments in Essex and Thurrock; notes that, although there has been a slight increase in the number of adults seeing an NHS dentist in the past two years, access remains well below pre-pandemic levels; welcomes that more children are now receiving care, but notes that significant gaps persist; regrets that the rise in dentists undertaking some NHS work since 2019 has not translated into proportionate increases in access for patients; welcomes the Government's intention to deliver 700,000 additional appointments and impose a minimum NHS service period for dentists; and calls on the Government to urgently review these measures after one year and bring forward further reforms to restore and expand NHS dental provision in all the communities of greater Essex and the UK as a whole.

2096 Muirtown Primary School and the Fairtrade Foundation awardTabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **3****Mr Angus MacDonald****Jim Shannon****Clive Jones**

That this House congratulates Muirtown Primary School on winning the Fairtrade Foundation's Campaigner of the Month award; recognises their outstanding commitment to celebrating Fairtrade Fortnight and championing trade justice for farmers and workers around the world; commends Keira Reid and the other teachers for inspiring young children by introducing them to ethical choices and building an understanding of where their food comes from; further commends Fairtrade for the work they do to ensure farmers and workers in low-income countries get the fair pay, better conditions and support they need to escape poverty and thrive in the future; and wishes the school all the best in their future endeavours.