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## Early Day Motions tabled on Wednesday 22 October 2025

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### New EDMs

2107      **50 years of Cheesman Brothers, Guildford**

Tabled: **22/10/25**      Signatories: **1**

**Zöe Franklin**

That this House congratulates Cheesman Brothers Limited in Guildford on 50 years of business; notes they are a family-run fruit and vegetable wholesaler and that the sibling leadership team, Martin, Claire and Matthew, have been involved for 30 years; and recognises their long history of generous support for local charitable causes.

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2108      **Medical Defence Union 140th anniversary**

Tabled: **22/10/25**      Signatories: **1**

**Helen Maguire**

That this House congratulates the Medical Defence Union, founded in 1885, on their 140th anniversary; notes that this makes the Medical Defence Union the world's first medical defence organisation; acknowledges that the Medical Defence Union has subsequently grown during this period and now represents more than 200,000 doctors, dentists and other healthcare professionals across the UK; and wishes to celebrate the immensely valuable contribution of the Medical Defence Union to the healthcare sector in the UK, especially through its work to promote better regulation of healthcare professionals and to highlight the issue of rising clinical negligence costs.

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**2109 Strike action at the British Library**Tabled: **22/10/25** Signatories: **1****John McDonnell**

That this House stands in solidarity with members of the Public and Commercial Services Union employed at the British Library who have voted by a massive 98.23% to take strike action after receiving a second consecutive below-inflation pay offer; notes that during a cost of living crisis and with inflation running at over 4% by the measure of the Retail Price Index, the offer of 2.4% represents a real terms cut to the pay of hard working members; further notes that members are angry at pay inequalities within the organisation, as senior executives are paid up to £170,000 per annum with some in receipt of five-figure bonuses; observes that the frustration of Library users over service disruption following the cyber-attack impacting the Library has resulted in a marked increase in workplace harassment; and therefore calls on British Library management to return to the negotiating table and bring forward an improved pay offer and action plan to tackle a situation where staff are feeling undervalued, overworked and under financial strain.

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**2110 Thames Water in North East Hertfordshire constituency**Tabled: **22/10/25** Signatories: **1****Chris Hinchliff**

That this House condemns the reckless mismanagement of Thames Water across North East Hertfordshire; recognises that residents in Buntingford have endured years of their homes being flooded with sewage; notes that households in Watton-at-Stone have suffered two decades of flooding, largely due to Thames Water's persistent failure to repair defective infrastructure; further notes that local farmland, including Tewinbury Farm, has been contaminated with raw sewage, and that local rivers were swamped with sewage spills for thousands of hours last year; believes that Thames Water's failure to provide even a basic level of service to North East Hertfordshire while charging extortionate prices, is unacceptable and has harmed quality of life and local businesses; and calls on the Government to compel Thames Water to address these longstanding local issues and hold this failing company to account, securing immediate improvements to services in North East Hertfordshire.

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**2111 Government energy efficiency standards**Tabled: **22/10/25** Signatories: **1****Ayoub Khan**

That this House believes that the implementation of energy efficiency measures are vital in tackling fuel poverty, reducing household carbon emissions and cutting energy bills for low-income families; acknowledges the crucial importance of ensuring that the Energy Company Obligation (ECO4) and Great British Insulation Scheme (GBIS) work to the benefit of low-income households in homes with poor energy efficiency ratings; notes that since 2022, 28,000

installations of external wall insulation and 45,200 installations of internal wall insulation have occurred through ECO4 and GBIS; regrets that the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero deemed 98% of the homes that received external wall insulation works and 29% of homes that underwent internal wall insulation works to require remediation, with many tens of thousands of residents being directly harmed by unsatisfactory provisions under ECO4 and GBIS; notes the findings of the National Audit Office's report of 14 October 2025 entitled Energy efficiency installations under the Energy Company Obligation, which concludes that there have been clear failures in the design and set-up of ECO4 and GBIS and their consumer protection and quality assurance system, which have led to widespread issues with the quality of installations and suspected fraud; and urges the Government to take urgent action to reform the consumer protection and quality assurance frameworks of ECO, sanction and eliminate fraud among retrofit businesses carrying out installation works under ECO and GBIS and issue remediation to households that received installation works that are non-compliant with the relevant quality standards.

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2112      **Don't Give Up CIC**

Tabled: **22/10/25**      Signatories: **1**

**Ayoub Khan**

That this House congratulates Don't Give Up CIC, based in Lozells, Birmingham, on being awarded £19,990 from The National Lottery Community Fund; notes that the funding will support the group's efforts to engage young people through sports-based activities as a positive alternative to violence and knife crime; recognises the project's vital work in promoting safety, discipline and aspiration among young people in Birmingham Perry Barr; and commends the group's ongoing commitment to building safer and more resilient communities across the West Midlands.

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2113      **Elevated Up CIC**

Tabled: **22/10/25**      Signatories: **1**

**Ayoub Khan**

That this House congratulates Elevated Up CIC, based in Oscott, Birmingham, on being awarded £19,845 from The National Lottery Community Fund; notes that the grant will support the Move Forward Elevated Up project, which aims to empower local residents through education, skills development and wellbeing initiatives; recognises the organisation's valuable contribution to improving confidence, employability and community cohesion in Birmingham Perry Barr; and commends the group's ongoing commitment to supporting local people to achieve their potential and build stronger communities across the West Midlands.

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**2114 Coastal erosion in Hemsby**Tabled: **22/10/25** Signatories: **1****Rupert Lowe**

That this House expresses serious concern at the escalating coastal erosion in Hemsby, Norfolk, which continues to destroy homes and community infrastructure; notes that this crisis threatens not only local residents but also the wider regional economy, as Hemsby's beaches and holiday locations are a cornerstone of Norfolk's tourism industry, drawing thousands and thousands of visitors and generating millions of pounds in annual revenue; further notes that each year of inaction risks further economic loss, displacement of residents and irreversible damage to one of Britain's most popular coastal destinations; and therefore calls on the Government to bring forward a properly funded coastal protection plan for Hemsby, and to recognise that preserving Hemsby's coastline is both an environmental necessity and an economic imperative for Norfolk and the nation as a whole.

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**2115 Warm Spaces Programme**Tabled: **22/10/25** Signatories: **1****Lisa Smart**

That this House celebrates Stockport Council's Warm and Well this Winter campaign, which ensures all libraries in the borough provide warm spaces for residents in the face of steep energy costs, and provides funding for voluntary community faith and social enterprise organisations to extend the range of the warm spaces programme across the borough; and calls on the Government to provide further support for local authorities who provide warm spaces for residents struggling with the cost of living, as well as considering the potential to expand programmes to provide cool spaces in the summer, thus providing people with respite from the wide range of extremes caused by climate change.

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**2116 Great Western Railway train cancellations**Tabled: **22/10/25** Signatories: **1****Mr Lee Dillon**

That this House expresses concern that Great Western Railway has cancelled over 18,000 train services so far this year, placing it 16th out of 24 UK operators for reliability; recognises the impact this has had on passengers and communities across the South of England, including in West Berkshire, where early morning commuter services have been repeatedly withdrawn, prompting local intervention to secure a trial replacement; acknowledges the need for joined-up oversight of rail operations and fare reform to ensure passengers receive a dependable and affordable service; and calls on the Government to take urgent action to improve reliability, hold operators to account for poor performance, and deliver a modern rail network that better serves the public.

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**2117 Fundraising for Prior's Court Charity**Tabled: **22/10/25** Signatories: **1****Mr Lee Dillon**

That this House congratulates Dr Jude Geldart on his 373-mile cycling challenge across Germany to raise funds for Prior's Court, a specialist autism charity based in Hermitage, West Berkshire; acknowledges the charity's vital work supporting autistic young people with complex needs, including through its multi-sensory building which is in urgent need of refurbishment; recognises the life-changing impact Prior's Court has had on many individuals and families; commends Dr Geldart's efforts to raise awareness and funding through this ambitious international ride; and wishes him every success in his continued advocacy for improved support and opportunities for autistic young people.

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**2118 Falkirk Council Mobile Emergency Care Service Team in the Great British Care Awards 2025**Tabled: **22/10/25** Signatories: **1****Euan Stainbank**

That this House congratulates Falkirk Council's Mobile Emergency Care Service on being named a Scottish finalist in the 2025 Great British Care Awards; commends the team's tireless work supporting over 3,000 residents across Falkirk to live safely and independently at home; recognises their compassion, professionalism and 24/7 dedication to the community; and wishes them every success at the Scottish final in Glasgow on 10 November 2025.

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**2119 Contribution of legal immigrants**Tabled: **22/10/25** Signatories: **1****Max Wilkinson**

That this House expresses its deep concern at recent reported remarks suggesting that a large number of people who came to the United Kingdom legally will need to go home; notes that these comments appear to call for the deportation of law-abiding people who have lived, worked and paid taxes in the UK for many years; believes that such rhetoric is deeply troubling, unpatriotic and inconsistent with the fundamental British values of decency, tolerance, and respect for the rule of law; affirms that people who have come to the United Kingdom legally, played by the rules, and made it their home do not need to go home, and that this is their home; and calls on all public figures and political leaders to reject language that undermines social cohesion, stokes division or questions the belonging of those who contribute to the life of this country.

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**2120 Còisir Gàidhlig Bharraigh success at the Royal National Mòd**Tabled: **22/10/25** Signatories: **1****Torcuil Crichton**

That this House congratulates Còisir Gàidhlig Bharraigh for receiving the Lorn Shield as the Rural Choir winners at last week's Royal National Mòd in Fort William; commends all the other winners and those who took part in this event which does so much to encourage and promote the Gaelic language, culture, and music in Scotland and beyond; celebrates competitor numbers raising for the third consecutive year to nearly 2,000 this year, highlighting the continued growth and strength of Gaelic; and thanks the local organising committee in Lochaber and An Commun Gàidhealach for bringing together such a successful Mòd.

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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.

**1956 Five-year indefinite leave to remain pathway for Skilled Worker visa holders**Tabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **41****Neil Duncan-Jordan****Steve Witherden****Andy McDonald****Jim Shannon****Richard Burgon****Shockat Adam**

Ayoub Khan

Dave Doogan

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.

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**1965 UN International Year of Co-operatives**Tabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **13****Jim McMahon****Jim Shannon****Kate Osborne****Andrew George****Kirsteen Sullivan****Carla Denyer**

Ayoub Khan

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.

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**1972 Rainbow Muslim Women's Group**Tabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **4****Euan Stainbank****Jim Shannon****Apsana Begum****Ayoub Khan**

That this House congratulates Rainbow Muslim Women's Group on receiving £20,000 from The National Lottery Community Fund; notes that the grant will enable the group to deliver multiple sessions catering to the needs of elderly people, children, and women of all backgrounds in Falkirk; recognises the importance of inclusive and culturally sensitive community support; and commends the group's commitment to strengthening community cohesion.

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**1980 Safety of British nationals aboard the Global Sumud Flotilla**Tabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **15**

**Susan Murray**  
**Mike Martin**  
**Layla Moran**  
**Andrew George**  
**Charlotte Cane**  
**Tom Morrison**

Dr Al Pinkerton

Ayoub Khan

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 Agriculture**Tabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **23**

**Victoria Atkins**  
**Robbie Moore**  
**Dr Neil Shastri-Hurst**  
**John Cooper**  
**Greg Smith**  
**Harriet Cross**

Sir Geoffrey Cox

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

**Dave Doogan**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Chris Law**  
**Seamus Logan**

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.

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**1984 Insect decline and pesticide reduction**

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

**Freddie van Mierlo**

**Jim Shannon**

**Wera Hobhouse**

**Cameron Thomas**

**Shockat Adam**

**Helen Maguire**

Ayoub Khan

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.

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**1992 25th anniversary of the UN Women, Peace and Security agenda**

Tabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **21**

**Helen Maguire**

**Jim Shannon**

**Wera Hobhouse**

**Cameron Thomas**

**Andrew George**

**Charlotte Cane**

Ayoub Khan

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.

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**1998 Access to school and college transport for disabled young people**

Tabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **21**

**Gideon Amos**

**Jim Shannon**

**Wera Hobhouse**

**Cameron Thomas**

**Shockat Adam**

**Helen Maguire**

Neil Duncan-Jordan

Ayoub Khan

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.

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**2001      Protect our hospices**Tabled: **13/10/25**      Signatories: **23****Alison Bennett****Jim Shannon****Wera Hobhouse****Cameron Thomas****Helen Maguire****Neil Duncan-Jordan**

Ayoub Khan

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.

**2004      Renewable energy and coal**Tabled: **13/10/25**      Signatories: **29****Pippa Heylings****Jim Shannon****Wera Hobhouse****Cameron Thomas****Helen Maguire****Jess Brown-Fuller**

Caroline Voaden

Wendy Chamberlain

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.

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**2007     Electrifying the Midland Main Line**

Tabled: **13/10/25**     Signatories: **8**

**Lisa Smart**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**David Chadwick**  
**Clive Jones**  
**Mr Will Forster**  
**Sarah Dyke**

Ayoub Khan

That this House recognises the significant benefits that electrifying the Midland Main Line would bring, including faster, smoother and quieter journeys, improved reliability, and increased capacity with more seats and more frequent services; notes that electrification would reduce operating costs for rolling stock, fuel and maintenance, while cutting noise and air pollution; further notes that modern electric trains produce significantly lower carbon emissions than diesel trains and utilise regenerative braking to enhance energy efficiency; believes that modernising the railway infrastructure to Sheffield as originally planned by the 2010–2015 Coalition Government would support progress towards the UK's net zero target, contribute to Derby's own zero carbon ambitions, and provide a credible alternative to private car use; expresses concern that the 2020 target for Midland Main Line electrification has been missed and that progress nationally is so slow it would take over two centuries to complete the rail network at the current rate; regrets that the Government's HS2 project has been severely curtailed, leaving the Midlands underserved; and calls on the Government to prioritise the electrification of the Midland Main Line to Sheffield without further delay in order to cut carbon emissions, improve capacity, and deliver better rail services for communities along the route.

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**2008     International Credit Union Day**

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

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

Ayoub Khan

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.

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2012      **Digital ID**

Tabled: **13/10/25**      Signatories: **31**

**Siân Berry**

**Zarah Sultana**

**Manuela Perteghella**

**Chris Law**

**Sorcha Eastwood**

**Sir Gavin Williamson**

Ayoub Khan

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.

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**2023      World Mental Health Day 2025**Tabled: **13/10/25**      Signatories: **4**

**Jim Shannon**  
**Adam Jogee**  
**Dr Ellie Chowns**  
**Ayoub Khan**

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.

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**2025      London Underground cleaners**Tabled: **13/10/25**      Signatories: **19**

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

Ayoub Khan                                      Shockat Adam

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.

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**2033 Dyslexia Awareness Week**Tabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **23**

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

Ayoub Khan

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.

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**2034 Leeds Stand Up To Racism's event**Tabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **16**

**Richard Burgon**  
**Apsana Begum**  
**Ms Diane Abbott**  
**Imran Hussain**  
**Kim Johnson**  
**Brian Leishman**

Ayoub Khan

That this House congratulates Leeds Stand Up To Racism for organising a vibrant and inspiring 3,000 strong, women-led anti-racist event in Leeds City Centre on Saturday 11 October backed by trade unions, trades councils, political parties, student societies, community organisations and campaign groups in opposition to racism and the far right and their scapegoating of migrants and minorities; and welcomes this successful and positive event as part of Leeds' long and proud history of anti-racism and community organising against the far right.

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**2043 Indefinite leave to remain and settlement**Tabled: **14/10/25** Signatories: **13**

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

Ayoub Khan Shockat Adam

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.

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**2045 Mills Observatory 90th birthday**Tabled: **14/10/25** Signatories: **3**

**Chris Law**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Seamus Logan**

That this House congratulates Dundee's Mills Observatory on the occasion of its 90th birthday; recognises that the Mills Observatory was the first purpose-built public astronomical observatory in the UK when it opened 1935; further recognises that the observatory has had an 120% increase in visitors over the last year ahead of their 90th birthday; thanks the staff and volunteers at the Mills Observatory and Leisure and Culture Dundee for their hard work and dedication in running the observatory; and wishes them all the best ahead of their birthday celebrations at the end of October.

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**2047 Political donations**Tabled: **14/10/25** Signatories: **26****Manuela Perteghella****Dr Danny Chambers****Wera Hobhouse****Jess Brown-Fuller****Charlotte Cane****Claire Young**

Helen Morgan

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.

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**2055 Global Lobular Breast Cancer Awareness Day 2025**Tabled: **14/10/25** Signatories: **41****Helen Maguire****John Milne****Cameron Thomas****Charlotte Cane****Ian Sollom****Dr Danny Chambers**

Ayoub Khan

Helen Morgan

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.

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**2059 35 years of Macmillan Cancer Support's Coffee Morning**Tabled: **15/10/25** Signatories: **29**

**Helen Maguire**  
**Luke Myer**  
**Mr Lee Dillon**  
**Mr Joshua Reynolds**  
**Dr Danny Chambers**  
**Steve Darling**

Ayoub Khan Shockat Adam Helen Morgan

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.

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**2063 Elon Musk at the Unite the Kingdom rally**Tabled: **15/10/25** Signatories: **46**

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

Ayoub Khan Liz Jarvis Helen Morgan

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.

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**2066 Brake**Tabled: **16/10/25** Signatories: **8****Liz Saville Roberts****Ben Lake****Llinos Medi****Ann Davies****Jim Shannon****Andrew George**

Ayoub Khan

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.

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**2067 New Start Highland Gardens and BBC Scotland Make a Difference Green Award**Tabled: **16/10/25** Signatories: **3****Mr Angus MacDonald****Jim Shannon****Mr Joshua Reynolds**

That this House congratulates Donald Graham, Laura Deans and all of the New Start Highland Gardens team on winning the Green Award at the BBC Scotland Make a Difference Award ceremony held in Glasgow; recognises the project's vital role in providing the restorative power of nature to connect volunteers to each other; commends the opportunities they provide for people who are facing crisis in their lives to improve wellbeing through horticulture, environmental conservation, and community connection; celebrates the strong community participation and dedication to local nature and beauty; notes New Start Highland's commendable efforts in creating positive change for people exiting homelessness or trying to move forward from a place of crisis; congratulates all the other award winners who have helped their communities in meaningful ways; and thanks BBC Scotland for shining a light on the inspiring individuals and groups making a real difference in communities across Scotland.

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**2068 South Downs National Park**Tabled: **16/10/25** Signatories: **19**

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

Mr Joshua Reynolds

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 reduction**Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **24**

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

Helen Maguire

Mr Joshua Reynolds

Helen Morgan

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.

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**2072 Council elections in areas pursuing devolution reform**

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

**Dr Al Pinkerton**

**Dr Danny Chambers**

**James McMurdock**

**Martin Wrigley**

**Jim Shannon**

**John Milne**

Helen Maguire

Ayoub Khan [R]

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.

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**2073 National inquiry into child sexual exploitation**Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **40**

**Max Wilkinson**  
**Charlotte Cane**  
**Ben Maguire**  
**Dr Danny Chambers**  
**Dr Al Pinkerton**  
**Brian Mathew**

Helen Maguire  
Freddie van Mierlo  
Tessa Munt

Liz Jarvis  
Victoria Collins

Ayoub Khan  
Caroline Voaden

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.

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**2074 Scotland Demands Better campaign**Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **3**

**Maureen Burke**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Brian Leishman**

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.

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**2075 Conduct of Prince Andrew**Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **25**

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

Neil Duncan-Jordan  
Iqbal Mohamed

Shockat Adam

Mr Adnan Hussain

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

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**2076 40th anniversary of Breast Cancer Awareness Month**Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **23**

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

Clive Jones  
Wendy Chamberlain

Shockat Adam  
Helen Morgan

Liz Jarvis

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.

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**2077 10th anniversary of Harrogate Junior Parkrun**Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **6**

**Tom Gordon**  
**Adam Jogee**  
**Martin Wrigley**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Helen Maguire**  
**Mr Joshua Reynolds**

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: **9**

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

Helen Maguire

Mr Joshua Reynolds

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: **9**

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

Ayoub Khan

Shockat Adam

Robin Swann

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.

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**2081 30th anniversary of the York Road Project in Woking**Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **5**

**Mr Will Forster**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Clive Jones**  
**Zöe Franklin**  
**Mr Joshua Reynolds**

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.

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**2082 Gloucestershire Tech Week**Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **4****Max Wilkinson****Jim Shannon****Clive Jones****Mr Joshua Reynolds**

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.

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**2083 Lions at Large**Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **4****Max Wilkinson****Adam Jogee****Jim Shannon****Mr Joshua Reynolds**

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.

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**2085 Cancellation of local elections**Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **4****James McMurdock****Rupert Lowe****Andrew George****Ayoub Khan [R]**

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.

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**2086 Local government reorganisation**Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **4****James McMurdock****Jim Shannon****Rupert Lowe****Ayoub Khan [R]**

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.

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**2088 Non-indexed pre-1997 pensions**Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **6****Neil Duncan-Jordan****Jim Shannon****Andrew George****Dr Ellie Chowns****Nadia Whittome****Ayoub Khan**

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.

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**2089 Bob Kindness award for fishing innovation**Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **3****Mr Angus MacDonald****Jim Shannon****Mr Joshua Reynolds**

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.

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**2090 Highland Home Carers anniversary**Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **5****Mr Angus MacDonald****Jim Shannon****Wera Hobhouse****Clive Jones****Mr Joshua Reynolds**

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.

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**2092 Jock McInnes induction into the British Boxers' Hall of Fame**Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **4****Pete Wishart****Jim Shannon****Chris Law****Seamus Logan**

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 administrated 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.

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**2093 Future of BBC Radio 4 Longwave**

Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **11**

**Tim Farron**

**Jim Shannon**

**Wera Hobhouse**

**Gideon Amos**

**Mr Will Forster**

**Dr Danny Chambers**

Mr Joshua Reynolds

Helen Morgan

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.

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**2094 Life and work of Dr Jane Goodall**Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **10**

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

Mr Joshua Reynolds

Ayoub Khan

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.

**2096 Muirtown Primary School and the Fairtrade Foundation award**Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **4**

**Mr Angus MacDonald**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Clive Jones**  
**Mr Joshua Reynolds**

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.

**2098 10th anniversary of Book Week NI**Tabled: **21/10/25** Signatories: **2**

**Mr Gregory Campbell**  
**Jim Shannon**

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.

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2099     **Menopause Awareness Month**

Tabled: **21/10/25**     Signatories: **13**

**Helen Maguire**

**Wera Hobhouse**

**Clive Jones**

**Jim Shannon**

**Mr Joshua Reynolds**

**Neil Duncan-Jordan**

Charlotte Cane

Liz Jarvis

Andrew George

Adam Dance

Ian Roome

Ayoub Khan

Wendy Chamberlain

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.

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2100     **2025 Windsor and Maidenhead Community Forum Interfaith Gathering**

Tabled: **21/10/25**     Signatories: **4**

**Mr Joshua Reynolds**

**Wera Hobhouse**

**Clive Jones**

**Jim Shannon**

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.

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**2101      Brighter Opportunities for Special People**

Tabled: **21/10/25**      Signatories: **2**

**James McMurdock**

**Jim Shannon**

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.

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**2102      Flying Nightingales**

Tabled: **21/10/25**      Signatories: **8**

**Liz Jarvis**

**Wera Hobhouse**

**Clive Jones**

**Jim Shannon**

**Mr Joshua Reynolds**

**Charlotte Cane**

Wendy Chamberlain

Cameron Thomas

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.

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**2103 Mary's Meals**Tabled: **21/10/25** Signatories: **4****Brendan O'Hara****Jim Shannon****Shockat Adam****Seamus Logan**

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.

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**2104 Friends of the River Granta and the BBC Make a Difference Green Award (No. 2)**Tabled: **21/10/25** Signatories: **5****Pippa Heylings****Helen Maguire****Clive Jones****Jim Shannon****Mr Joshua Reynolds**

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.

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**2105 Shelford Spice (No. 2)**Tabled: **21/10/25** Signatories: **5****Pippa Heylings****Clive Jones****Jim Shannon****Mr Joshua Reynolds****Wera Hobhouse**

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: **6****Grahame Morris****Brian Leishman****Jim Shannon****Neil Duncan-Jordan****Ayoub Khan****James McMurdock**

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.