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Early Day Motions tabled on Monday 27 October 2025

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New EDMs

2131 **Replace the UK-France migration deal**

Tabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **1**

James McMurdock

That this House regrets the failure of the migration agreement with France; notes that this deal was based on a flawed premise; further regrets the lack of a meaningful deterrent effect the deal has had; and calls on the Government to urgently withdraw from this agreement and instead aim to negotiate a deal which stops small boat crossings to the UK completely.

2132 **Volumetric concrete mixers**

Tabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **1**

James McMurdock

That this House regrets the negative impact on local businesses the planned phase-out of heavier Volumetric Concrete Mixers (VCMs) will have; expresses concern that the change may lead to increased traffic and emissions; notes that increased load effects are relevant and valid factor in this decision, but it does not substitute for estimates of the impact of the frequency and cost of road and bridge repairs; and calls on the Government to produce a report considering the impact on road repairs and costs of one heavier VCM compared with multiple traditional drum mixers and a concrete pump lorry and thereafter to review the decision to phase out heavier vehicles in line with this important research.

2133 Thurrock Christian FellowshipTabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **1****James McMurdock**

That this House commends the Thurrock Christian Fellowship for their decades of altruism and support for vulnerable residents in Thurrock; recognises the enormous contributions that faith-based charities make to their local communities; appreciates the support that their food bank provides to Thurrock's most vulnerable and economically deprived residents of all faiths and note; and commends their strong ethic of public service which serves as a powerful inspiration for us all.

2134 Thurrock Centre for Independent LivingTabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **1****James McMurdock**

That this House commends the Thurrock Centre for Independent Living (TCIL) for its long history of supporting the most vulnerable residents in Thurrock; welcomes the community spirit and altruism that TCIL has demonstrated, serving as an inspiration to all; regrets that TCIL is on the verge of closure and laments the loss of amenity this would cause for those in greatest need in Thurrock; and congratulates its volunteers for their innovation and generosity, including but not limited to supporting disabled residents into work, assisting vulnerable residents with Lasting Power of Attorney applications, and helping with access to disability benefits.

2135 Administration of Sheffield WednesdayTabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **1****Anna Sabine**

That this House expresses its deep concern at the news that Sheffield Wednesday has entered administration; deplores the continuing trend of football clubs falling into financial crisis as a result of irresponsible ownership; urges Dejphon Chansiri to listen to fans and to ensure that any future owner is committed to the long-term survival and success of the club; and calls on the Government and the Independent Football Regulator to introduce a golden share for recognised fan groups to empower supporters with a veto on decisions that would harm their club.

2136 Stewarts, the UK's first garden centreTabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **1****Vikki Slade**

That this House congratulates Stewarts Garden Centres based in Dorset for the seventieth birthday of the UK's first garden centre in Ferndown; celebrates the role Edward Stewart, founder of the garden centre, played in the development of gardening as a hobby; recognises

the contribution of the wider horticultural sector to our understanding of nature and the environment in this country; pays tribute to gardeners across the UK for their green-fingered additions to our communities; and commends the Stewart family for continuing Edward's legacy with their three current garden centres that are part of a family business dating back to 1742.

2137 County Antrim Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann

Tabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **1**

Seamus Logan

That this House congratulates the County Antrim Board of Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann in celebrating fifty years of cultural leadership and community spirit; recognises the work of branches in Antrim Town, Dunloy, Glinnte Aontroma (Glens of Antrim), Lough Beg, Loch Lao, Rasharkin, and Ballycastle in preserving and promoting traditional music, song, poetry and dance; notes the critical contribution of many dedicated former and deceased members and that of current members; commends the vision, dedication, and inspirational community action that has sustained this vibrant tapestry of cultural life; and wishes the County Board success in all its ventures for the next fifty years and beyond.

2138 Fireworks anti-social behaviour and regulation

Tabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **7**

Imran Hussain

Richard Burgon

John McDonnell

Grahame Morris

Brian Leishman

Chris Hinchliff

Neil Duncan-Jordan

That this House notes with deep concern the growing impact of fireworks misuse on communities across the UK; recognises that the unpredictable use of high-decibel fireworks causes significant distress to animals, wildlife, and those with sensory sensitivities or neurodiverse conditions; further notes that local councils and police forces lack sufficient powers and resources to manage the increasing volume of complaints from residents; highlights that current firework legislation, much of it dating back to the early 2000s, has failed to keep pace with modern technology and changing patterns of use; acknowledges the calls of animal welfare charities including the RSPCA and Dogs Trust for a reduction in permitted decibel levels, stronger licensing of retailers, and a crackdown on unlicensed pop-up sellers during festive periods such as Bonfire Night; welcomes public campaigns that have highlighted widespread public frustration; and therefore urges the Government to bring forward comprehensive reform of firework regulation to ensure fireworks are used safely, sold responsibly, and enjoyed without causing harm to people, animals, and communities.

2139 National Cancer PlanTabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **1****Helen Maguire**

That this House expresses deep concern over the Government's decision to delay publication of the National Cancer Plan and associated NHS Workforce Plan; notes that recent research, reported in The Lancet, has warned that further delays could cost lives and worsen outcomes for patients; recognises that timely diagnosis, access to treatment, and sufficient specialist staff are critical to improving survival rates; further notes that the postponement of the NHS workforce plan, including measures to recruit oncologists, radiologists and specialist nurses, risks compounding the crisis; believes that people living with cancer deserve urgent action, not further delay; and calls on the Government to publish the National Cancer Plan and NHS workforce plan without further postponement.

2140 Baby Loss MonthTabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **1****Jim Shannon**

That this House notes the end of Baby Loss Awareness Month, observed each October to honour babies who have died during pregnancy, at or soon after birth; highlights that whether a loss is felt in the fifth week, the 15th week or the 25th week, the fact remains that it is a loss and that each life is so precious, and the grief must be acknowledged; further notes that in 2023 in Northern Ireland, there were 67 stillbirths and 80 infant deaths registered, and for those mums and dads, our hearts ache; and underlines that we must pay tribute to charities such as Sands and so many others who go above and beyond to provide support for those couples and families who are coping with loss; honours those little lives and the indelible footprints left on hearts throughout this country; and ensures that they are not forgotten.

2141 Preventing sight loss in people with diabetesTabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **1****Jim Shannon**

That this House congratulates Queen's University Belfast on its breakthrough study, led by Professor Tim Curtis and Dr Josy Augustine of the Wellcome-Wolfson Institute for Experimental Medicine, which found that a novel drug, 2-HDP, can protect retinal nerve cells and blood vessels in diabetic eye disease; highlights that diabetic retinal disease is the leading cause of vision loss in adults and that current treatment can only target the latest stages of damage; notes that the research which is supported by Diabetes UK, signals the possibility of earlier, preventative treatments for vision loss in people living with diabetes; urges the Government to accelerate this work into trials and pathways for treatment; and calls upon the Department

for Health and Social Care to consider their support for protecting vision by targeting early intervention, to prevent against sight loss for people with diabetes.

2142 **Water bills**

Tabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **1**

Tim Farron

That this House is deeply concerned by the news that the Competition and Markets Authority has agreed to allow water companies including Anglian, Northumbrian, Southern, Wessex, and South East Water to increase bills by an additional 3% on average, compared to the amount agreed by the regulator Ofwat; notes that this comes after the Independent Water Commission's final report in July 2025 which echoed Liberal Democrat calls for Ofwat to be replaced with a new regulator on account of its failures to regulate water companies for their environmental pollution and financial mismanagement which has ultimately left customers paying more for poorer services; and urges the Government to come forward with a new, stronger regulator to hold water companies to account and implement a single social tariff for water bills to help eliminate water poverty.

2143 **Isle of Raasay World's Best Scotch Whisky Award**

Tabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **1**

Mr Angus MacDonald

That this House congratulates the Isle of Raasay Distillery on being awarded the World's Best Scotch Whisky at the 2025 Las Vegas Global Spirits Awards; notes that its Cask Strength Single Malt achieved a near-perfect score of 99 out of 100 and received the event's top honour, a Platinum medal; recognises the distillery as the first legal producer of whisky on the island, founded in 2017 by R&B Distillers; applauds the skill and dedication of the entire Raasay team in crafting a spirit that captures the distinctive maritime character of the Inner Hebrides; and celebrates this remarkable achievement for the Isle of Raasay, the Highlands, and Scotland's world-renowned whisky industry.

2144 **Highland businesses Highland Employer Charter Awards**

Tabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **1**

Mr Angus MacDonald

That this House congratulates the Inverness and Cromarty Green Freeport, and Jacobite Cruises in Dochgarroch, for winning gold at the new Highland Employer Charter awards; commends their commitment to local recruitment, supply chains and fairer pay; notes their contribution to the development of local workforce, engaging with education and third sector volunteering opportunities; recognises the importance of ethical employment, fairness, community investment, and sustainable economic growth across the Highland region; thanks the Highland

Council for this new Employer Charter accreditation which delivers benefits for both employers and employees as well as developing a sustainable, diverse economy across the Highlands; and wishes the Inverness and Cromarty Green Freeport and Jacobite Cruises all the best in their future endeavours.

2145 Solas Eige and St Columba's Church

Tabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **1**

Mr Angus MacDonald

That this House celebrates the purchase of St Columba's Church on the Isle of Eigg by the community group Solas Eige; thanks the Scottish Land Fund for their generous grant of over £90,000 to enable the sale; notes that this crucial funding is a major milestone in Solas Eige's journey to rejuvenate this unique historic building and turn it into a community hub and island archive for residents and visitors to enjoy for generations to come; congratulates Solas Eige and the Isle of Eigg Heritage trust for all their hard work in getting to this stage; recognises that there is still significant funding necessary but that this grant will allow the trustees to create all-ability access, install essential services, and plan for the building's future; looks forward to seeing St Columba's reopen as a valuable asset for Eigg; and further notes that this project will create a vibrant space for culture, heritage, climate literacy and pilgrimage on the Isle of Eigg.

2146 Conduct of the hon. Member for Runcorn and Helsby

Tabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **2**

Max Wilkinson

Marie Goldman

That this House censures the hon. Member for Runcorn and Helsby for racist and inexcusable remarks made on Talk TV on Saturday 25 October 2025, which were damaging, divisive and risk bringing hon. Members collectively into disrepute; and calls on the hon. Member for Clacton to withdraw the whip from the hon. Member for Runcorn and Helsby.

2147 Ewan MacDonald and the Apprenticeship of the Year Awards

Tabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **1**

Mr Angus MacDonald

That this House congratulates Ewan MacDonald for being named as a finalist for the Scottish Joint Industry Board (SJIB) Apprenticeship of the Year Awards 2025; recognises that this accolade is testament to his technical ability, professionalism, and exceptional attitude whilst working for Ross-shire Engineering; notes that as Scotland continues its transition to net zero, apprentices play a vital role in delivering the skills and innovation the country needs; appreciates that young skilled workers represent the bright future of an industry that is essential to a modern, sustainable society; thanks the SJIB for inspiring young people to fulfil

rewarding and technical careers in the electrotechnical industry and for their organisation of the awards at the Edinburgh Marriott Hotel Holyrood on 9 October; and wishes Ewan all the best for his bright future.

2148 Danny Young National Chef of the Year 2026

Tabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **1**

Mr Angus MacDonald

That this House congratulates Danny Young, Head Chef at The Torridon in the Scottish Highlands, on being named National Chef of the Year 2026; notes that he triumphed over ten other finalists, with a menu showcasing technical excellence, creativity, and mastery of flavour; recognises that Mr Young was previously named Young National Chef of the Year in 2018 and received an Acorn Award in 2021 for rising stars in hospitality; commends his continued success as a leading representative of Scotland's world-class culinary scene; and wishes him well as he continues to inspire the next generation of chefs.

2149 Radio Skye, Radio Station of the Year 2025

Tabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **1**

Mr Angus MacDonald

That this House congratulates Radio Skye on being named Radio Station of the Year at the 2025 Community Radio Awards; notes that this award recognises the station's outstanding service to its community through high-quality, inclusive and locally rooted broadcasting; acknowledges the station's vital role in connecting people across Skye and Lochalsh, from sharing local news and Gaelic culture to supporting musicians, community groups and emergency communications during severe weather; pays tribute to the dedicated volunteers, presenters and sponsors whose commitment keeps the station thriving; recognises that community radio is sustained by passion, collaboration and a deep understanding of place; and celebrates Radio Skye as a model of how local media can strengthen communities, amplify local voices and inspire pride in the Highlands.

2150 Jammu and Kashmir Accession Day

Tabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **1**

Bob Blackman

That this House notes the continued observance on 26 October of Jammu and Kashmir Accession Day by residents of the United Kingdom of Jammu and Kashmiri heritage; records that on 26 October 1947 the Instrument of Accession was executed by Maharaja Hari Singh; reaffirms the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Republic of India over the State of Jammu and Kashmir; expresses sympathy for all civilians killed and injured in acts of terror in Jammu and Kashmir, including the victims of the Pahalgam attack and their families;

recognises the significance of this date for communities who mark it as the constitutional accession of Jammu and Kashmir into the Indian Union; welcomes peaceful commemorations in the UK that promote historical literacy, cultural exchange, and civic participation; and encourages constructive dialogue, community cohesion, and respect for international norms and sovereign boundaries in discussions about Jammu and Kashmir.

2151 Buying community energy locally

Tabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **6**

Abtisam Mohamed
Carla Denyer
Llinos Medi
Graham Leadbitter
Pippa Heylings
Bob Blackman

That this House recognises the many social, economic and environmental benefits that community energy schemes create; notes that the number of such schemes would grow greatly if they were enabled to sell their clean power directly to households and businesses in their communities; welcomes the Minister for Energy Security and Net Zero's oral contribution on 15 July 2025, stating that the Government are absolutely determined to deliver clean power that benefits local communities, so that they can buy it locally; further notes that there are many energy system experts that can help devise an effective local supply process; and therefore calls on the Government to expeditiously implement local supply rights for community energy schemes.

2152 National Memorial for armed forces veterans who lost their lives in Northern Ireland

Tabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **1**

Jo White

That this House pays tribute to the courage and sacrifice of all members of the United Kingdom's armed forces who lost their lives during the conflict in Northern Ireland; recognises the immense contribution of service personnel who served with dedication and professionalism in the most challenging circumstances; acknowledges the deep and lasting impact of the conflict on veterans and their families; notes that there is currently no dedicated national memorial recognising the service and sacrifice of all those members of the armed forces who died as a result of operations in Northern Ireland; and calls on the Government to work with veterans, veterans' organisations and the families of the fallen to establish an appropriate national memorial at the National Memorial Arboretum to honour their memory and ensure their service is never forgotten.

2153 Knoydart wins international rural resilience awardTabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **1****Mr Angus MacDonald**

That this House congratulates the Knoydart community on the west coast of Scotland on being awarded the Michael Dower Award for European Rural Resilience; notes that the award recognises communities across Europe tackling economic, environmental and social challenges to improve rural life; further notes that Knoydart was selected ahead of finalists from Armenia, Germany and Ireland; recognises that this accolade comes 25 years after the community completed its historic £750,000 buy-out of the 17,000-acre Knoydart Estate; commends the community's achievements over that period, including the doubling of its population from around 60 to 120, the establishment of community enterprises such as the Old Forge pub, Knoydart venison and tourism services, and the creation of 450 hectares of new woodland with over 600,000 trees planted; welcomes the improvements in local infrastructure and the restoration of the community's hydro power scheme; and applauds all those involved with the Knoydart Foundation, Knoydart Forest Trust and wider community for their inspiring example of rural regeneration and resilience.

2154 Media Plurality and Press Freedom in ParliamentTabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **4**

Jeremy Corbyn
Ayoub Khan
Shokat Adam
Mr Adnan Hussain

That this House urges the relevant parliamentary authorities to provide independent media outlet Declassified UK with a parliamentary press pass to ensure media plurality and press freedom.

2155 Crawley Kyokushinkai Karate ClubTabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **1****Peter Lamb**

That this House congratulates the Crawley Kyokushinkai Karate Club on their successful hosting of the 47th British Open and 15th IFK Cup of Europe tournaments, at which the club secured an impressive three gold medals, three silver medals, and eight bronze medals.

2156 Treatment of Professor Michael Ben-GadTabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **1****Luke Akehurst**

That this House is deeply concerned by the antisemitic and targeted harassment campaign against Michael Ben-Gad, Professor of Economics at City, University of London; condemns any campaign that seeks to intimidate and drive out lecturers because they are Israeli or Jewish; notes that attacks of this nature are particularly distressing to Jewish students and academics, and risk setting a dangerous precedent for academic freedom at UK universities; and stands in support of Professor Ben-Gad, and his personal and intellectual freedom as an Israeli academic in the UK.

2157 Discrimination in Ulster boxingTabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **1****Jim Allister**

This House expresses concern over the state of Ulster boxing, particularly in light of the Equality Commission's investigation into the Ulster Boxing Council (UBC) and the Irish Athletic Boxing Association (IABA); notes with concern that boxers from Protestant, Unionist, and Loyalist backgrounds have faced discrimination in selection for major tournaments and are unable to choose to represent Team GB, disregarding the complexity of Northern Irish identity; further notes that Protestant boxing clubs have faced barriers in accessing equitable funding and opportunities to compete at neutral venues; and therefore urges the Government and the Northern Ireland Minister for Communities to work with the UBC and IABA to implement transparent, inclusive policies that ensure fair selection processes, equitable funding, and respect for all identities in Northern Ireland.

2158 Opposing the proposed age restriction to the health element of Universal CreditTabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **1****James McMurdock**

That this House expresses concern at proposals to restrict access to the health element of Universal Credit based solely on age; recognises that a disabled or severely ill person is not inherently more capable of work whether they are under 22 years of age or over; commends the principle of reviewing entitlement to welfare payments, but regrets this specific proposal; and calls on the Government to ensure that severely ill or disabled people are not discriminated against on the basis of age in future.

2159 Support for pubsTabled: **27/10/25** Signatories: **1****James McMurdock**

That this House notes the vital role that pubs, social clubs, and brewery taprooms play in communities across the UK; recognises the significant financial pressures these businesses face, including high energy costs and increased employer National Insurance contributions; and urges the Government to consider measures to cut taxes for pubs and breweries to help safeguard jobs, promote social wellbeing, and sustain local economies.

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 holdersTabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **44****Neil Duncan-Jordan****Steve Witherden****Andy McDonald****Jim Shannon****Richard Burgon****Shockat Adam****Rebecca Long Bailey**

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.

1992 25th anniversary of the UN Women, Peace and Security agendaTabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **22**

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

Christine Jardine

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.

1998 Access to school and college transport for disabled young peopleTabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **22**

Gideon Amos
Jim Shannon
Wera Hobhouse
Cameron Thomas
Shockat Adam
Helen Maguire

Christine Jardine

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 hospices**

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

Alison Bennett

Jim Shannon

Wera Hobhouse

Cameron Thomas

Helen Maguire

Neil Duncan-Jordan

Christine Jardine

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 coalTabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **32**

Pippa Heylings
Jim Shannon
Wera Hobhouse
Cameron Thomas
Helen Maguire
Jess Brown-Fuller

Daisy Cooper

Christine Jardine

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.

2021 National inquiry into group-based child sexual exploitation and abuseTabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **23**

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

Bob Blackman

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 2025Tabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **6**

Jim Shannon
Adam Jogee
Dr Ellie Chowns
Ayoub Khan
Christine Jardine
Bob Blackman

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.

2026 Proposed changes to STV News and STV North News at 6Tabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **8**

Torcuil Crichton
Jim Shannon
Dr Scott Arthur
Katrina Murray
Martin Rhodes
Richard Baker

Dave Doogan

Graham Leadbitter

That this House regrets the announcement by STV that it intends to axe STV North's regular evening news programming with subsequent job losses across the Grampian, Angus and Highland and Islands area; notes that democratic accountability is increasingly threatened by diminishing news resources; further notes the proposals to reduce staffing across the organisation and calls on the company to engage meaningfully with trade unions and staff over the plans; calls on the regulator Ofcom to conduct an immediate review on how the company is meeting regional broadcast licence obligations to provide news coverage for distinct areas of Scotland; and further calls on the Scottish Affairs and Culture, Media and Sport Select Committees to hold rapid investigations into news broadcasting coverage in Scotland.

2028 Digital ID cards and surveillanceTabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **6**

Carla Lockhart
Rupert Lowe
Jim Shannon
Jim Allister
James McMurdock
Bob Blackman

That this House rejects proposals to introduce mandatory digital identification (ID) cards across the UK; notes with concern that such measures are being falsely presented as a solution to illegal immigration, despite no credible evidence that digital ID schemes prevent unlawful entry or stop people trafficking; further notes that illegal immigration is primarily a border and enforcement issue that will not be resolved by increased monitoring of law-abiding citizens; believes that digital ID systems risk creating a presumption of suspicion against the entire population while doing little to deter those acting outside the law; recalls that previous attempts to impose ID cards in the UK were abandoned due to widespread public opposition and fundamental civil liberty concerns; and calls on the Government to rule out the introduction of digital ID in any part of the United Kingdom, ensuring that Northern Ireland is not treated differently, and that the rights to privacy and freedom remain equal across all four nations.

2033 Dyslexia Awareness WeekTabled: **13/10/25** Signatories: **25**

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

Christine Jardine Bob Blackman

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

Chris Hinchliff [R]
Neil Duncan-Jordan
Jim Shannon
Andrew George
Robin Swann
Irene Campbell

Cat Eccles

Rebecca Long Bailey

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.

2055 Global Lobular Breast Cancer Awareness Day 2025Tabled: **14/10/25** Signatories: **42**

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

Christine Jardine

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.

2059 35 years of Macmillan Cancer Support's Coffee Morning

Tabled: **15/10/25** Signatories: **30**

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

Christine Jardine

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 rally

Tabled: **15/10/25** Signatories: **48**

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

Christine Jardine

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 **Brake**

Tabled: **16/10/25** Signatories: **12**

Liz Saville Roberts

Ben Lake

Llinos Medi

Ann Davies

Jim Shannon

Andrew George

Christine Jardine

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.

2067 **New Start Highland Gardens and BBC Scotland Make a Difference Green Award**

Tabled: **16/10/25** Signatories: **4**

Mr Angus MacDonald

Jim Shannon

Mr Joshua Reynolds

Christine Jardine

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.

2071 **Farmgate milk price reduction**

Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **26**

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

Mr Angus MacDonald

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 reformTabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **22**

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

Mr Angus MacDonald

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: **44**

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

Mr Angus MacDonald

Christine Jardine

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.

2076 40th anniversary of Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **32**

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

Luke Myer
Bob Blackman

Mr Angus MacDonald

Christine Jardine

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: **7**

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

Mr Angus MacDonald

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: **11**

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

Mr Angus MacDonald

Christine Jardine

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 2025Tabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **18**

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

Christine Jardine

Bob Blackman

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.

2081 30th anniversary of the York Road Project in WokingTabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **6**

Mr Will Forster
Jim Shannon
Clive Jones
Zöe Franklin
Mr Joshua Reynolds
Mr Angus MacDonald

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: **5****Max Wilkinson****Jim Shannon****Clive Jones****Mr Joshua Reynolds****Mr Angus MacDonald**

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: **5****Max Wilkinson****Adam Jogee****Jim Shannon****Mr Joshua Reynolds****Mr Angus MacDonald**

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.

2090 Highland Home Carers anniversaryTabled: **20/10/25** Signatories: **6****Mr Angus MacDonald****Jim Shannon****Wera Hobhouse****Clive Jones****Mr Joshua Reynolds****Christine Jardine**

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.

2093 Future of BBC Radio 4 Longwave

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

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

Mr Angus MacDonald

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 Goodall

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

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

Mr Angus MacDonald Christine Jardine

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.

2097 Banton villageTabled: **21/10/25** Signatories: **2****Katrina Murray****Adam Jogee**

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: **3****Mr Gregory Campbell****Jim Shannon****Adam Jogee**

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: **19****Helen Maguire****Wera Hobhouse****Clive Jones****Jim Shannon****Mr Joshua Reynolds****Neil Duncan-Jordan****Mr Angus MacDonald****Steff Aquarone****Christine Jardine**

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: **6****Mr Joshua Reynolds****Wera Hobhouse****Clive Jones****Jim Shannon****Adam Jogee****Mr Angus MacDonald**

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.

2102 **Flying Nightingales**

Tabled: **21/10/25** Signatories: **12**

Liz Jarvis
Wera Hobhouse
Clive Jones
Jim Shannon
Mr Joshua Reynolds
Charlotte Cane

Luke Myer

Adam Jogee

Mr Angus MacDonald

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: **5**

Brendan O'Hara
Jim Shannon
Shockat Adam
Seamus Logan
Graham Leadbitter

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: **6**

Pippa Heylings
Helen Maguire
Clive Jones
Jim Shannon
Mr Joshua Reynolds
Mr Angus MacDonald

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: **6**

Pippa Heylings
Clive Jones
Jim Shannon
Mr Joshua Reynolds
Wera Hobhouse
Mr Angus MacDonald

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: **7**

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

Luke Myer

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.

2107 50 years of Cheesman Brothers, GuildfordTabled: **22/10/25** Signatories: **10**

Zöe Franklin
Wera Hobhouse
Clive Jones
Jim Shannon
Mr Joshua Reynolds
Helen Maguire

Mr Will Forster
Mr Angus MacDonald

Dr Al Pinkerton

Adam Jogee

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.

2108 Medical Defence Union 140th anniversaryTabled: **22/10/25** Signatories: **8**

Helen Maguire
Wera Hobhouse
Clive Jones
Jim Shannon
Mr Joshua Reynolds
Adam Jogee

Mr Angus MacDonald Christine Jardine

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.

2110 Thames Water in North East Hertfordshire constituencyTabled: **22/10/25** Signatories: **4**

Chris Hinchliff
Jim Shannon
Brian Leishman
Neil Duncan-Jordan

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.

2115 Warm Spaces ProgrammeTabled: **22/10/25** Signatories: **11**

Lisa Smart
Clive Jones
Jim Shannon
Wera Hobhouse
Adrian Ramsay
Carla Denyer

Helen Maguire
Pippa Heylings

Mr Angus MacDonald

Christine Jardine

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.

2116 Great Western Railway train cancellationsTabled: **22/10/25** Signatories: **10**

Mr Lee Dillon
Wera Hobhouse
Charlotte Cane
Clive Jones
Jim Shannon
David Chadwick

Mr Angus MacDonald

Christine Jardine

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.

2117 Fundraising for Prior's Court CharityTabled: **22/10/25** Signatories: **6**

Mr Lee Dillon
Clive Jones
Jim Shannon
Helen Maguire
Mr Joshua Reynolds
Mr Angus MacDonald

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.

2119 Contribution of legal immigrantsTabled: **22/10/25** Signatories: **22**

Max Wilkinson
Wera Hobhouse
Charlotte Cane
Clive Jones
Jim Shannon
Tim Farron

Helen Maguire
Christine Jardine

Mr Joshua Reynolds
Pippa Heylings

Mr Angus MacDonald
Helen Morgan

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.

2120 Còisir Gàidhlig Bharraigh success at the Royal National MòdTabled: **22/10/25** Signatories: **6****Torcuil Crichton****Ben Lake****Liz Saville Roberts****Llinos Medi****Ann Davies****Mr Angus MacDonald**

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.

2121 75th anniversary of Porter's Fine Furnishings in BanbridgeTabled: **23/10/25** Signatories: **3****Carla Lockhart****Jim Allister****Jim Shannon**

That this House congratulates Porter's Fine Furnishings of Banbridge on marking its 75th anniversary of trading; pays warm tribute to Mr and Mrs Porter, who founded the business and remain very much at the heart of it today, still keeping a steady hand on the wheel; commends William and Audrey Porter for continuing that proud family tradition and steering the company into a vibrant new era; recognises that Porter's Fine Furnishings has become part of the very DNA of Banbridge and its town centre; acknowledges the immeasurable benefit the business has brought to the local economy through employment and community support; and expresses sincere thanks for the enduring commitment of family-run enterprises like Porter's, whose dedication and service continue to enrich local life.

2122 Scottish National Hill Climb Championships 2025, Tak Ma Doon RoadTabled: **23/10/25** Signatories: **3****Katrina Murray****Adam Jogee****Jim Shannon**

That this House congratulates Road Cycling Cumbernauld and Kilsyth (RCCK) on hosting the Scottish National Hill Climb Championships 2025 at Tak Ma Doon Road, Kilsyth, on 27 September; recognises the time trial for bringing competitors from across the country to the

renowned climb of Tak Ma Doon Road, historically a drovers' road between Stirling and Kilsyth; welcomes the support of both British Cycling and Scottish Cycling for this event; notes that the results of the Championships were that the Youth A Female title was won by Eve Fairbairn of Discovery Junior, the Youth Open A was won by Arran Drackford of Falkirk Junior Bike Club, the Youth B Female was won by Isla Reekle of Falkirk Junior Bike Club, the Youth Open B was won by Gregor McNaught of Falkirk Junior Bike Club, the Junior Female was won by Emily Colbeck of Edinburgh University CC, the Junior Open was won by Raphael Jacquemet-Ross of West Lothian Clarion CC, the Non-Championship was won by Duncan Edwards of Bronte Wheelers-Neophix Eng, the Senior Open was won by Angus Toms of Edinburgh Bike Fitting RT and Senior Female was won by Lauren Dickenson of Handsling Alba Development RT; and encourages continued participation in cycling events across Scotland to promote sport, fitness, and community engagement.

2123 Contribution of Steve McManus to the Royal Berkshire NHS Foundation Trust

Tabled: **23/10/25** Signatories: **4**

Clive Jones
Mr Joshua Reynolds
Mr Angus MacDonald
Jim Shannon

That this House commends Steve McManus on his leadership of the Royal Berkshire NHS Foundation Trust; expresses sadness at his announcement of his intention to step down as its Chief Executive, a position he has held since 2017; recognises that under his leadership the Trust has stood out in the NHS staff survey and has become a groundbreaking centre of research; further commends particularly his dedication in recent years to securing a future for Royal Berkshire Hospital under the New Hospitals Program in a political environment of continuous uncertainty; looks forward to working with him in the forthcoming months before his departure; and further expresses with confidence that Steve will enjoy success in his future endeavours.

2124 The Ship Inn, Wokingham and Fuller's Glorious Gardens Award

Tabled: **23/10/25** Signatories: **5**

Clive Jones
Helen Maguire
Mr Joshua Reynolds
Mr Angus MacDonald
Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates The Ship Inn, Wokingham and its publican Dave Jennings on winning Fuller's Glorious Gardens Award alongside The Castle in Ealing; recognises the positive contribution pubs make to our local communities across the country; further recognises the contribution of pub gardens to providing wholesome green spaces in urban centres, especially in town centre locations such as The Ship Inn; welcomes the commitment made by Fuller's to encourage high quality pub gardens at its tenanted pubs through initiatives such as the

Glorious Gardens Award; and calls on the Government to take further steps to support pubs across the country.

2125 **Bobby Trundley, Team BRIT and the Britcar Endurance Championship**

Tabled: **23/10/25** Signatories: **5**

Clive Jones

Mr Joshua Reynolds

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Jim Shannon

That this House celebrates autistic Wokingham-based racing driver Bobby Trundley and his teammate Asha Silver, competing with the world's only all-disabled competitive motor racing team, Team BRIT; congratulates them on extending their championship lead in the Britcar Endurance Championship with a class win at Oulton Park on 11 October; wishes Bobby, Asha and Team BRIT the best as they chase a championship title at the next race; recognises the importance of motorsport to the regional economy of South East England and to the UK as a whole; believes that autistic people are capable of great achievements when society provides the right support and accommodation; and affirms that competitive sport is for everyone.

2126 **Warm Homes Plan**

Tabled: **23/10/25** Signatories: **19**

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Brian Mathew

Helen Maguire

Mr Angus MacDonald

Wendy Chamberlain

Helen Morgan

Wera Hobhouse

Steff Aquarone

Andrew George

Liz Jarvis

Charlotte Cane

Ian Sollom

Jim Shannon

That this House is deeply disappointed by the Government's decision to delay the publication of the Warm Homes Plan; understands this means vulnerable households were been left without the anticipated support to upgrade homes and cut energy bills in winter 2024-25 and now again, for winter 2025-26; notes that the publication of this plan is needed urgently given UK housing stock is the oldest in Europe and among the least energy efficient, homelessness in the UK is at a record high and an estimated six million households are in fuel poverty; further notes that new decent homes standards have been further delayed; and calls on the Government to urgently implement a 10-year emergency home upgrade programme, provide incentives

for installing heat pumps that cover the real costs, and bring forward a social energy tariff to reduce energy bills to protect vulnerable households this winter.

2127 **Poppy Appeal in Northern Ireland**

Tabled: **23/10/25** Signatories: **9**

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James McMurdock
Adam Jogee
Alex Easton

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That this House recognises the great and invaluable work of the Royal British Legion and its volunteers in delivering the internationally recognised Poppy Appeal; and calls on the Minister for Veterans and the Minister for the Constitution and European Relations to work with the Royal British Legion and the European Union to remove the unnecessary requirements placed on those selling poppies and other commemorative materials in Northern Ireland, including the need to appoint an EU representative to handle compliance and safety issues for products distributed, sold or given in exchange for donations, to display a printed notice on or near stalls at Poppy Appeal events, and to affix EU representative address stickers to all poppy trays used during the appeal, as they are currently required to do, so that the Government in its actions fully supports all those who support the Poppy Appeal.

2128 **Eligibility variations in access to IVF**

Tabled: **23/10/25** Signatories: **17**

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Mr Will Forster
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That this House notes with considerable concern the continuing variation in access to NHS-funded in vitro fertilisation (IVF) treatment across England, with some Integrated Care Boards (ICBs) applying eligibility criteria that diverge from National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) guidance; further notes that the Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire West (BOB) ICB currently restricts funding to women under 35 and offers only one cycle of

treatment, compared with NICE recommendations of up to three cycles for women under 40 and one for those aged 40 to 42 who meet clinical criteria; recognises that such restrictions do not reflect changing demographic and social realities, including that the average age of women beginning IVF is over 35 and the average age at first birth is around 31; is concerned that these disparities create a postcode lottery in access to fertility treatment and may disadvantage individuals who delay starting families for educational, career or financial reasons; also notes that women with medical conditions affecting fertility, such as polycystic ovary syndrome (PCOS), may be particularly impacted where eligibility criteria or referral processes are not clearly communicated or sufficiently flexible; acknowledges the financial pressures facing ICBs but believes that equitable access to fertility services should not depend on where a person lives; and calls on the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care to review national funding and commissioning arrangements to enable all ICBs to implement NICE guidance in full and ensure fair, consistent access to IVF across England.

2129 **Attendance of the Attorney General at the Bar of the House on the Chinese espionage case**

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

Robert Jenrick

Alex Burghart

Alicia Kearns

Andrew Griffith

Andrew Rosindell

David Reed

Rebecca Smith

Sir Ashley Fox

Jim Shannon

Sir John Whittingdale

Dr Neil Hudson

Bob Blackman

Blake Stephenson

Jim Allister

That this House regrets the collapse of the prosecution of two alleged Chinese spies and is alarmed that the Attorney General, the Rt Hon Lord Hermer KC, was reportedly informed in August 2024 that the prosecution was at risk, yet has not publicly explained what actions he took to support the case; notes that, as a Member of the House of Lords, the Attorney General is unable to answer questions in this House in the normal way, preventing full ministerial accountability on a matter of the highest national importance; and requests that he attend at the Bar of this House at the earliest opportunity to answer questions from elected Members concerning his role in this matter.

2130 Acquittal of Soldier FTabled: **23/10/25** Signatories: **5****Jim Allister****James McMurdock****Alex Easton****Jim Shannon****Bob Blackman**

That this House greatly welcomes the acquittal of Soldier F but questions why this veteran was put through the ordeal of the last few years, given the inadequacy of the evidence; and believes that everyone, including those who have agitated for years on this matter, should now accept the not guilty verdict and allow Soldier F to live in peace.