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New EDMs

362 **Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman's report on women's state pension age**

Tabled: **22/07/21** Signatories: **1**

Liz Saville Roberts

That this House welcomes the publication of the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman's report titled Women's State Pension age: our findings on the Department for Work and Pensions' communication of changes; is concerned by the report's findings of maladministration and failure by DWP to appropriately inform women of changes to their State Pension Allowance; and calls upon the UK Government to fully engage with the Ombudsman's findings and meet with campaigners to come to an equitable solution to address the injustice of state pension inequality, a problem which affects 3.7 million women in the UK, including 194,000 in Wales.

363 **Rise in antisemitic hate crime**

Tabled: **22/07/21** Signatories: **1**

Layla Moran

That this House condemns the appalling rise in antisemitism in the weeks during and after the devastating escalation of violence in Israel and Palestine; notes with concern that the Community Security Trust (CST) recorded 628 antisemitic hate incidents between 8 May and 7 June 2021; regrets that is the highest number of antisemitic hate crimes that the CST has ever recorded in any month-long period; notes with further concern that this represents roughly four times the normal number expected during that period; believes it is shameful that in the UK, British Jews often suffer when violence flares up in a region thousands of miles away; and resolves to continue to call out all injustices in the Middle East and seek for a peaceful solution to the Israeli Palestinian conflict.

364 Glasgow City Mission Family Holiday Club

Tabled: 22/07/21 Signatories: 1

Chris Stephens

That this House congratulates the Glasgow City Mission Child and Family Centre for running its Family Holiday Club over the Scottish school summer holiday period; notes that the club has allowed children, parents and carers a free lunch every day, ran organised trips and activities in Elder Park; praises the work of the Glasgow City Mission for its work across Glasgow, and sends its best wishes to its work going forward.

365 Rheumatology workforce shortages

Tabled: 22/07/21 Signatories: 1

Munira Wilson

That this House acknowledges the findings from the British Society for Rheumatology's latest report stating that the NHS rheumatology workforce is understaffed and in some areas up to a third of consultant posts are vacant; recognises that workforce shortages and vacancies lead to unacceptable caseloads, long waiting times and delays in care for the millions of people with conditions like arthritis; notes that rheumatology career pathways must address current shortages; further notes that enhancing and upskilling the current multi-disciplinary teams role in rheumatology would allow staff to extend their scope of practice within departments and meet increasing service demands; commends the contribution of rheumatology departments who are working hard to bring down diagnostic backlogs; and calls on the Government to invest in the current rheumatology workforce numbers and boost training places to meet forecast demand.

366 Spennylympics event 2021

Tabled: 22/07/21 Signatories: 1

Layla Moran

That this House gives its best wishes to Stuart Bates and Charlotte Nichols for Spennylympics - an event that will be partially held in the Oxford West and Abingdon constituency; wishes them the very best of luck as they try to complete every single Olympic event over the course of 17 days while the Tokyo Games are also being held; acknowledges the important work that the Spennylympics are doing with the Motor Neurone Disease Association (MNDA) in memory of Stuart's brother Spencer; further acknowledges the life-changing work the Motor Neurone Disease Association does for those with Motor Neurone Disease and Kennedy's Disease; and urges the Government to further support and invest in research and care related to Motor Neurone Disease and Kennedy's Disease.

367 Water pollution in northern Sri Lanka

Tabled: 22/07/21 Signatories: 1

Munira Wilson

That this House expresses concern regarding water quality in northern Sri Lanka; is concerned by reports stating that the Sri Lankan Government refused to allow independent assessments of water quality in the region; notes that the consumption or use of water contaminated by waste oil has been linked to many diseases and birth defects; calls for steps to be taken to allow all citizens in northern Sri Lanka, the majority of whom are Tamils, to have access to clean drinking water; calls on the area around the Chunnakam power plant complex to be subjected to a full independent

investigation; and believes that all citizens affected by water contamination should be provided with competent medical follow-up and be compensated adequately by the Sri Lankan Government.

368 APPG North Korea Report: Human Rights Abuses 2014-21

Tabled: **22/07/21** Signatories: **1**

Fiona Bruce

That this House acknowledges the APPG on North Korea's report into human rights abuses from 2014 to 2021; notes that the report builds on the UN's landmark 2014 Commission of Inquiry into human rights in North Korea; regrets that the situation of human rights in North Korea has not improved since the UN Commission of inquiry; notes that the report found evidence of North Korean officials being involved in crimes against humanity including murder, torture, sexual and gender-based violence, slavery, and persecution based on religion or belief, and that the report suggests that the treatment of Christians, half-Chinese children, and the hostile group in North Korea may meet the legal definition of genocide; and urges the Government to implement the recommendations of the report and to actively engage in the dire human rights situation in North Korea using all available avenues.

369 Nuclear energy policy

Tabled: **22/07/21** Signatories: **2**

Alan Brown

Caroline Lucas

That this House urges the Government to review its nuclear policy; notes that Dungeness Power Station stopped generating in June 2021, seven years early due to safety concerns; that Hunterston B will stop generating in 2021, Hinkley B in 2022, Hartlepool and Heysham Power Stations in 2024, that Torness and Heysham 2 will close before their 2030 target; further notes that Hinkley Point C being constructed has suffered cost and programme overruns with the predicted commissioning date of unit one revised to June 2026 with an additional programme risk of a further 15 months, meaning unit one might not generate until 2027 and unit two in 2028, years after the majority of the existing fleet is offline, proving that the need for nuclear baseload generation is an outdated concept; notes that the Hinkley £92.50per MWh strike rate over a 35 year contract period compares badly to the offshore wind strike rate of £40MWh for a 15 year contract; further notes that under the existing grid charging regime, EDF will be paid money to connect to the grid, while Scottish renewable energy projects pay the highest grid connection charges in Europe; draws attention to the report by Good Energy and Energy Catapult Systems that shows net zero can be reached without new nuclear projects; notes that the reliance on China General Nuclear is a mistake; and calls on the Government to scrap its intention to build new nuclear power stations and avoid adding to the nuclear waste legacy estimated to cost £132 billion.

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.

300 Israel Arms Trade (Prohibition) BillTabled: **8/07/21** Signatories: **35**

Richard Burgon
Caroline Lucas
Liz Saville Roberts
Tommy Sheppard
Jeremy Corbyn
Tahir Ali

Alison Thewliss
 Tony Lloyd

Chris Law

Ian Byrne

This House notes that the UK Government has authorised hundreds of millions of pounds worth of arms sales to Israel between 2016 and 2020; believes that the UK Government should end these arms sales as part of efforts to end Israel's militarized repression of Palestinians, violations of international law and the illegal occupation of Palestine; and therefore welcomes the presentation of the Israel Arms Trade (Prohibition) Bill laid on 7 July 2021 that seeks to stop the UK Government from authorising arms sales to Israel.

306 150th Anniversary of the Durham Miners' GalaTabled: **12/07/21** Signatories: **23**

Mary Kelly Foy
Grahame Morris
Kate Osborne
Paula Barker
Mick Whitley
Navendu Mishra

Chris Stephens

Dan Carden

Bell Ribeiro-Addy

That this House celebrates the 150th anniversary of the Durham Miners' Gala or the Big Meeting; expresses severe regret at the cancellation of the Gala for the second consecutive year but commends the Durham Miners Association for prioritising public health; welcomes the news that County Durham Miners Banners Groups will instead organise events in communities across the county this summer; recognises the important historical and cultural ties between the mining industry and County Durham; further recognises miners and the National Union of Mineworkers for their contributions to the labour movement, trade unionism, and the Labour Party; thanks miners for their economic and cultural contribution to Durham and Britain across centuries; looks forward to the refurbishment of Redhill's Durham Miners Hall and transformation into a cultural centre; further looks forward to the resumption of the Big Meeting in 2022; commends the Marras for the announcement that all banner groups will be paid double band allowance next year to help with the financial stress caused by the covid-19 outbreak; and encourages everyone to become a Marra.

308 Dame Carol Black's independent review of drugs

Tabled: 12/07/21 Signatories: 21

Grahame Morris
Kenny MacAskill
Alison Thewliss
Jonathan Edwards
Crispin Blunt [R]
Tommy Sheppard

Chris Stephens
 Bell Ribeiro-Addy

Jeremy Corbyn

Dan Carden

That this House thanks Professor Dame Carol Black for her comprehensive Independent Review of Drugs, Part 2 which outlines a clear way forward on drug treatment and recovery to bring hope and real change to the many individuals, families and communities whose lives are blighted by drug addiction and by the criminals who exploit it; welcomes her recommendations to achieve this, presented as concrete proposals deliverable within this Parliament; agrees with her analysis that the current situation is intolerable and that a whole-system approach, with cross-departmental co-ordination and commitment, is required; supports her view that substance misuse disproportionately affects our most deprived communities; acknowledges her call for improved pathways from criminal justice settings and for enabling the diversion of drug users into treatment; recognises that, although Part 1 of her review showed that the societal costs of drug misuse are £20 billion each year, in 2020 to 2021 only £650 million was spent on drug treatment; notes that every £1 currently spent on harm reduction and treatment saves £4 from reduced demands on health and justice; endorses her call for significantly increased investment in drug treatment and wider support; further notes her conclusion that ring-fenced, focused funding for treatment is absolutely necessary; notes that drug deaths are at record levels; and calls on the Government to adopt and implement the Review's recommendations in their entirety.

311 Racism following the Euro 2020 final

Tabled: 12/07/21 Signatories: 37

Mary Kelly Foy
Andrew Gwynne
Jeremy Corbyn
Grahame Morris
Kate Osborne
Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck

Chris Stephens

That this House unequivocally condemns the racist abuse aimed at the England men's football team after the UEFA European Championship Final on 11 July 2021; notes that 19 year old Arsenal forward Bukayo Saka was forced to take down his Instagram account as a result of that racist abuse; further notes that the mural of 23 year old Manchester United forward Marcus Rashford in Withington was defaced following that match; further condemns the abuse suffered by fans outside the stadium and the violence that broke out before and after that game; recognises the work of Show Racism the Red Card in its 25th anniversary year and supports its call for the Government to hold social media companies and individuals to account; and calls on the Government to display leadership on that issue and to match its rhetoric with action, to tackle the rising threats of online hate crimes and to acknowledge that some Ministerial statements on the booing of taking the knee are incompatible with eradicating racism from all walks of life.

315 BBC regional political monitoring of Parliament

Tabled: 14/07/21 Signatories: 15

Ian Mearns
 Jim Shannon
 Kate Osborne
 Paula Barker
 Navendu Mishra
 John McDonnell

Bell Ribeiro-Addy

That this House is deeply concerned by proposals to reduce the number of staff working in the BBC Regional Political Unit based at Millbank by over a third; notes that the unit is the eyes and ears of the BBC English regions in Westminster, co-ordinating political newsgathering for the BBC's early evening regional TV news programme, as well as the regional breakfast, lunchtime and late evening TV bulletins and Sunday political programmes and across all local radio output; further notes that the unit is often the only part of the BBC watching backbench business and adjournment debates where hon. Members can raise important local issues which might not make it onto the national news; fears that such a staff reduction will have an impact on capacity to spotting stories, keeping the regions informed about what their hon. Members are doing and enabling public awareness of questions and contributions from backbench hon. Members; is concerned by BBC management's failure to identify the activities currently undertaken which will be withdrawn or diminished as a result of staff reductions; fears that such a reduction in staff numbers will substantially reduce the monitoring of backbenchers' contributions and threaten a substantial fall in the number of local clips of hon. Members speaking in Parliament provided for TV and radio; and therefore calls on the BBC to ensure that it continues to finance a properly staffed Regional Political Unit so that the public can be well-informed on debates in Parliament.

317 Tactile paving

Tabled: 14/07/21 Signatories: 14

Sarah Olney
 Jim Shannon
 Jamie Stone
 Paula Barker
 Layla Moran
 Navendu Mishra

Alison Thewliss

Wera Hobhouse

Christine Jardine

That this House acknowledges the Rail Accident Investigation Branch report into the fatality of Cleveland Gervais, a blind passenger fatally struck by a train on 26 February 2020 after falling from platform 1 of Eden Park station; notes that 35 per cent of platforms are seriously dangerous for blind and partially sighted people due to the absence of the vital safety measure of tactile paving and that up to 15 per cent of people falling from platforms are blind or partially sighted; notes the work of Guide Dogs and Royal National Institute of Blind People in raising awareness of the importance of tactile paving; recognises Network Rail's commitment to ensure all train platforms have tactile paving by 2029, but laments that this commitment is far too slow; urges the Government to ensure the 100 per cent provision of tactile paving across all Network Rail stations by 2025 at the very latest; and calls on the Treasury to make the necessary financial provisions available for the installation of tactile paving.

319 BBC Scotland Studios at Pacific Quayside

Tabled: 14/07/21 Signatories: 9

John Nicolson
Jim Shannon
Patrick Grady
Chris Law
Allan Dorans
Marion Fellows

Alison Thewliss

Chris Stephens

That this House recognises the importance of BBC Scotland's control of the studios at Pacific Quayside; congratulates BECTU and SNP colleagues who have defended Scottish based jobs against a potential London takeover thus maintaining the broadcasting ecosystem that provides employment for freelancers in Scotland; and looks forward to seeing the new Scottish based creative talent that will be nurtured in these studios.

321 Euan McIlwraith and BBC Scotland's programme Landward

Tabled: 14/07/21 Signatories: 18

Richard Thomson
Jim Shannon
Marion Fellows
Patrick Grady
Kirsten Oswald
Gavin Newlands

Chris Stephens

That this House notes that Euan McIlwraith is stepping back from his presenting role on BBC Scotland's Aberdeen-made farming and rural programme, Landward having been a constant presence on-screen for 30 years; recognises the wide range of subjects covered by Euan during his time on the series including the catastrophic foot and mouth disease outbreak of 2001; welcomes the window the programme provides for viewers into issues affecting rural Scotland; further notes that Euan's natural story-telling abilities and warm style have made the programme a must-see for many people; and wishes Euan all the very best going forward where his new priorities will be his grandchildren, sailing and writing.

322 DSEI arms fair 2021

Tabled: 14/07/21 Signatories: 10

Caroline Lucas
John McDonnell
Hywel Williams
Ben Lake
Liz Saville Roberts
Claire Hanna

Alison Thewliss

This House notes that the DSEI arms fair 2021 is scheduled to take place from 14 to 17 September at London Docklands, with an anticipated 30,000 attendees; further notes that DSEI is organised by Clarion Events and the Government's arms sales unit, Defence & Security Exports, and is expected to play host to more than 1,600 arms companies selling everything from guns and bombs to fighter jets and warships; recognises that Government support is crucial to the success of DSEI and its continued

existence; is concerned by the inherent conflict between the Government's promotion of military exports and both its stated desire to help protect human rights overseas and the climate emergency demanding unprecedented international co-operation as a global priority; and therefore calls on the Government to end the promotion and export of military equipment, to withdraw its support for DSEI and to undertake a complete overhaul of security policy to replace military sales with diplomatic collaboration.

324 Lord Elystan-Morgan

Tabled: 15/07/21 Signatories: 6

Ben Lake
Jim Shannon
Jonathan Edwards
Martin Docherty-Hughes
Hywel Williams
Chris Stephens

That this House mourns the recent passing of Lord Elystan Morgan who died peacefully at the age of 88; recognises him as a great figure in Welsh politics, and that his tireless campaigning in favour of devolution for several decades helped pave the way to the creation of the Scottish and Welsh parliaments; recognises his lifelong commitment and service to the people of Ceredigion, whom he represented as Member of Parliament between 1966 and 1974 prior to his elevation to the House of Lords in 1981; celebrates his contributions as both a barrister and circuit judge; recalls his capacity for kindness and good humour, even during the most divisive of political debates; remembers him fondly as a man of integrity, who argued his case with an eloquence founded on an unshakeable belief in its merits, and a masterful understanding of the detail; and conveys its deepest condolences to his family and friends in their time of grief.

325 Stirling Constituency Olympic Athletes

Tabled: 15/07/21 Signatories: 7

Alyn Smith
Chris Law
John Nicolson
Allan Dorans
Marion Fellows
Jim Shannon

Chris Stephens

That this House congratulates Andrew Butchart, Kathleen Dawson, Ross Murdoch and Duncan Scott for being selected by Team GB to take part in the Tokyo Olympic Games; notes the hard work and dedication that it has taken to get to the games; and wishes them good luck and success in these Olympic Games.

326 Professor Samson Kambalu and the Fourth Plinth commission

Tabled: 15/07/21 Signatories: 11

Patrick Grady
Chris Law
Jim Shannon
Anum Qaisar-Javed
Owen Thompson
Joanna Cherry

Alison Thewliss

Stewart Malcolm McDonald

Chris Stephens

That this House welcomes the commission of Professor Samson Kambalu and his sculpture Antelope for installation on the Fourth Plinth in Trafalgar Square in 2022; recognises that the sculpture is a recreation of a 1914 photograph of pan-Africanist Malawian preacher, John Chilembwe and European missionary John Chorley, where Chilembwe wears a hat in defiance of colonial rules which forbade this in front of white people; acknowledges that, the year after the photograph was taken, the preacher led a rebellion against colonial rule and died; understands that the artist depicts a larger-than-life Chilembwe, in contrast to the life-size Chorley, to elevate Chilembwe and his story and reveal the hidden narratives of underrepresented people in the history of the British Empire in Africa and beyond; notes that Malawi-born Kamablu, who is Associate Professor of Fine Art at the Ruskin School of Art and a Fellow of Magdalen College, has described the commission as a litmus test for how much he belongs to British society as an African and a cosmopolitan; and congratulates Professor Kambalu on having his work chosen for public display in Trafalgar Square to be engaged with and appreciated by millions of people.

327 Arlington Baths Club 150th anniversary celebrations

Tabled: 15/07/21 Signatories: 13

Patrick Grady [R]
Chris Law
John Nicolson
Marion Fellows
Jim Shannon
Martin Docherty-Hughes

Alison Thewliss

Stewart Malcolm McDonald

Chris Stephens

That this House congratulates the Arlington Baths Club in the West End of Glasgow as it celebrates the 150th anniversary of its opening on 1 August 1871; notes that plans for July 2020 to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Club's foundation were much reduced as a result of the coronavirus pandemic and looks forward to three days of free community events over 31 July to 1 August 2021 to mark the occasion; recognises the efforts of its staff, many volunteers and the commitment of club members who have helped to keep the baths afloat throughout the difficulties of lockdown and covid-19 restrictions; recognises the heritage and cultural importance of the baths as the oldest club of its kind in the world; and wishes everyone associated with the club every success in the future.

329 Diamond anniversary of the Stamperland Bowling Club

Tabled: 15/07/21 Signatories: 9

Kirsten Oswald
Chris Law
John Nicolson
Allan Dorans
Marion Fellows
Jim Shannon

Chris Stephens

That this House celebrates the 60th anniversary of Stamperland Bowling Club, which was established in 1961; notes that in this, the year of its Diamond Anniversary, the club organised a Diamond Cup tournament to celebrate this notable milestone; recognises that the past year has been extremely difficult for bowling clubs and other sports venues; praises Stamperland Bowling Club for showing resilience and expressing confidence in the future by making improvements to the club's facilities; understands that the club has been pleased to welcome old and new members onto the green as Covid-19 restrictions ease; expresses its appreciation of all the hard work done by staff, committee, and members in running a club so well-rooted in the local community, and wishes Stamperland Bowling Club all the best for another 60 years and beyond.

331 Unsafe cladding and building safety defects

Tabled: 19/07/21 Signatories: 17

Hilary Benn
Sir Peter Bottomley
Jeremy Corbyn
Margaret Ferrier
Jim Shannon
Mr Nicholas Brown

Andrew Gwynne
 Dan Carden

Alison Thewliss
 Bell Ribeiro-Addy

Chris Stephens

That this House notes with concern the large number of people who, four years after the Grenfell Tower fire, are still living in blocks with unsafe cladding and other building safety defects; is aware that that situation is causing great concern and distress to leaseholders who are currently unable to sell their homes; believes that leaseholders should not have to pay for the cost of replacing cladding, fixing defects, waking watches and higher insurance bills; recognises that leaseholders do not have the money to do that anyway; and calls on the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government to come forward with a comprehensive plan to identify all the buildings at risk, establish a body to fund the work needed to fix those buildings and then seek to recover payment from all those responsible for that scandal.

332 Wimpy Park Community Group DIY SOS

Tabled: 19/07/21 Signatories: 6

John Nicolson
Marion Fellows
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Allan Dorans
Chris Stephens

That this House congratulates the Wimpy Park Community Group for securing a BBC Beechgrove Garden DIY SOS project; recognises how well deserved that project is and the benefit that it will bring to the local area; and looks forward to the opening of the rejuvenated park.

334 Retirement of Mr Martin Humble, Head Teacher of St. Matthew's RC Primary School

Tabled: 19/07/21 Signatories: 14

Kate Osborne
Margaret Ferrier
Jim Shannon
Ian Mearns
Navendu Mishra
Bell Ribeiro-Addy

Chris Stephens

That this House applauds the outstanding contribution to education in South Tyneside by St Matthew's RC Primary School Head Teacher, Mr Martin Humble; congratulates Mr Humble on a remarkable 20 years as Head Teacher at St. Matthew's and an outstanding career in the local education sector in the borough; acknowledges the outstanding impact he has had in supporting and representing both teachers, pupils, teaching staff and parents at St. Matthew's RC Primary School in Jarrow and the wider community; commends the part he has played to the whole school community during the coronavirus pandemic which has had a tremendous impact on children; notes his lasting legacy will be an outdoor space created for schoolchildren to use for learning, relaxation and prayer or meditation; sincerely thanks Mr Humble for his public service to the North East education sector; and wishes Mr Humble a very long and happy retirement.

337 Spyware and state surveillance of journalists

Tabled: 19/07/21 Signatories: 27

Grahame Morris
Rebecca Long Bailey
Liz Saville Roberts
John McDonnell
Bell Ribeiro-Addy
Chris Stephens

Dan Carden

That this House is deeply concerned by reports that at least 180 journalists across the world have been spied on using Pegasus software, a tool developed by the Israeli cybersurveillance company NSO and sold to a number of clients, including states across the world; notes that among those who have been the targets of the global spying operations are human rights defenders, political opponents, lawyers, diplomats and heads of state; further notes that the list of the 180 journalists

targeted includes reporters from global media platforms, as well as freelance investigators who appear to have been targeted by regimes determined to uncover sources, undermine research, and in some cases, stop their reporting; believes that those revelations of the use of NSO's Pegasus software to spy on journalists shows the profound vulnerability of media freedom and illustrates the serious breach of the public's right to know; and therefore joins the National Union of Journalists in the UK and Ireland and the International Federation of Journalists in utterly condemning all attempts to interfere with journalists' private communications, encouraging journalists to use extra vigilance to protect their data and calling on governments to enshrine in domestic law the inviolability of journalists' communications.

338 **Mountbatten diaries**

Tabled: **19/07/21** Signatories: **23**

Dr Julian Lewis
Sammy Wilson
John Redwood
John Nicolson
Sarah Olney
Valerie Vaz

Dan Carden

That this House notes with concern that the personal diaries of Lord and Lady Mountbatten were purchased from the family's Broadlands Archive Trust, a decade ago, by Southampton University with a substantial sum of public money including almost £2 million from the Heritage Lottery Fund; that, until the sale to the University, the Mountbatten family had made the diaries available to historians upon request; that Lady Mountbatten was never a public servant and consequently her writings are not subject to Freedom of Information restrictions; that in December 2019 the Information Commissioner's Office ordered the University to disclose the Mountbatten diaries and correspondence; that this continues to be resisted at the apparent direction of the Cabinet Office, citing FOI exemptions but refusing to identify the criteria relevant to the Mountbatten diaries; that it is 42 years since the death of Lord Mountbatten and 61 years since that of Lady Mountbatten; that it is deeply regrettable that their distinguished biographer, Dr Andrew Lownie, has so far had to pay £250,000 pursuing a campaign for the diaries' release to historians; and accordingly calls for their disclosure for publication without further obfuscation and delay.

340 **Anniversary of bombings in Belfast**

Tabled: **20/07/21** Signatories: **5**

Jim Shannon
Gavin Robinson
Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson
Sir Mike Penning
Stephen Farry

That this House sadly notes that 21 July 2021 marks the 49th Anniversary of the Bloody Friday Bombings in Belfast by the Provisional IRA; further notes the horrific acts of violence, some of the worst carried out by the IRA, including 20 bombs exploding in the space of 80 minutes, killing nine people and injuring over 130 more; notes the impact Bloody Friday has had on the mental and physical health of many friends and families of those victims to this day; and calls for justice and closure for people affected by those bombings.

341 The Death of Father Stan Swamy

Tabled: 20/07/21 Signatories: 6

Neale Hanvey
 Brendan O'Hara
 Joanna Cherry
 John Spellar
 Jim Shannon
 Chris Stephens

That this House notes with sadness and regret the recent passing of Jesuit Priest Father Stan Swamy who died in India at the age of 88 having spent the final nine months of his life in judicial custody; further notes that the anti-terrorism charges on which Father Swamy was arrested created significant international concern; understands that the failure of the Indian Courts to grant bail or provide timely access to medical care may have contributed to Father Swamy's death; recognises Father Swamy's lifelong dedication to humanitarian concerns including the rights and protections of minority groups, social justice, and helping those marginalised and disadvantaged; and sends its condolences to his friends and colleagues in their time of grief, may he rest in peace.

342 Zimbabwe deportation flight

Tabled: 20/07/21 Signatories: 20

Navendu Mishra
 Bell Ribeiro-Addy
 Mohammad Yasin
 Paula Barker
 Rebecca Long Bailey
 Mick Whitley

Jim Shannon
 Jeremy Corbyn

Alison Thewliss
 Caroline Lucas

Chris Stephens

That this House notes the widespread violation of political and human rights in Zimbabwe; further notes the harassment and detention of political opponents and journalists; recognises that the International Trade Union Congress places Zimbabwe in the 10 worst countries for working people; condemns the ongoing suppression of trade unions; is concerned by reports that the Government plans to deport over 50 Zimbabweans in July; calls on the Government to halt those deportation flights; notes the injustice in the deportation process, particularly given the ongoing pandemic; requests that any assessment that has been made of the political situation in Zimbabwe is made public; and calls on the Government to allow an urgent vote in the House on this subject before the summer recess.

343 Aerial glyphosate fumigations in Colombia

Tabled: 20/07/21 Signatories: 7

Tony Lloyd
 Paula Barker
 Richard Burgon
 John McDonnell
 Jim Shannon
 Chris Stephens

Caroline Lucas

That this House is concerned to learn that the Colombian Government plans to restart aerial glyphosate fumigations; notes the WHO's declaration that glyphosate is probably carcinogenic to

humans; recalls that that in 2015, Colombian President Juan Manuel Santos suspended fumigations in favour of more effective strategies which would cause less harm to the environment and public health; is aware that numerous civil society organisations have been trying to block glyphosate use, a call echoed by seven UN Special Rapporteurs; is equally concerned that restarting fumigation would explicitly violate the 2016 landmark Peace Agreement between the Colombian Government and the Fuerzas Armadas Revolucionarias de Colombia-Ejército del Pueblo (FARC-EP); knows that the agreement specifies fumigation as a last resort that should only be used if the Colombian Government unable to strike deals with local people on crop substitution; believes that the crop substitution programme outlined in that Peace Agreement has been successful in destroying 45,000 hectares of illegal crop; regrets that only 7 per cent of families of the substitution programme have been financially compensated; questions whether aerial glyphosate fumigations would make a material difference to the supply of cocaine; and calls on the Government to make representations to the Colombian Government, urging them to reconsider their decision.

344 Poppyscotland Welfare Centre, Kilmarnock

Tabled: 20/07/21 Signatories: 6

Alan Brown
Neale Hanvey
Patrick Grady
Jim Shannon
Alison Thewliss
Chris Stephens

That this House is disappointed that the Poppyscotland Welfare Centre in Kilmarnock is to close and pays tribute to the vital work undertaken by the staff since the premises opened to the public in 2018; appreciates that covid-19 has had an impact on the centre's ability to operate; further notes the pressure on finances and that the LIBOR funding awarded was only for a three year period, and that the UK Government need to provide more sustainable long term funding for such initiatives; further that this will create another empty unit in Kilmarnock town centre; welcomes that all staff are being retained to continue their valuable support services for veterans; notes that Poppyscotland have highlighted that since 2016 the charity has seen a 20 per cent increase in people needing support with housing, financial issues, mental health and well-being and mobility meaning that easy access to support services is more important than ever; thanks and recognises the vital work that Poppyscotland and the Royal British legion does to support veterans while acknowledging that in an ideal world veterans would not require to rely on such support, and in the meantime hopes that Poppyscotland and the Royal British Legion continue to flourish and once again conveys thanks to the staff who were based at the Kilmarnock Welfare centre and wishes them all the best in their endeavours going forward providing lifeline support services to veterans.

345 Political prisoners in Belarus

Tabled: 20/07/21 Signatories: 5

Tony Lloyd
Layla Moran
Neale Hanvey
Jim Shannon
Chris Stephens

That this House believes there to be 570 political prisoners in Belarus; notes the credible reports of prisoners facing extreme violence, torture, and sexual assault; welcomes the decision by several honourable Members and Noble Lords to act as godparents to Belarusian political prisoners; is aware that the Noble Lord Foulkes has adopted Stepan Latipov, the honourable Member for Rochdale has adopted Darya Chultsova, the honourable Member for North East Fife has adopted

Pavel Drozd, the honourable Member for Blaenau Gwent has adopted Dzianis Zhuk, the honourable Member for Edinburgh West has adopted Andrei Aliaksandrau, the honourable Member for Hornsey and Wood Green has adopted Mark Antonau, the honourable Member for West Lancashire has adopted Aliaksandr Drazdou, the honourable Member for Luton South has adopted Anton Lakishyk, the honourable Member for Kingston and Surbiton has adopted Aliaksei Ramanau, the honourable Member for Gower has adopted Kanstantsin Svidunovich, the Noble Lord Russell has adopted Ruslan Akostka, the Noble Baroness Crawley has adopted Dzmitry Zherbutovich, the Noble Baroness Smith has adopted Ryhor Hunko, the Noble Lord Griffiths has adopted Mikita Zalatarou, the Noble Baroness Massey has adopted Andrei Szauczuk, the Noble Baroness Kennedy has adopted Mikita Yemialyianau; encourages other honourable Members and Noble Lords to adopt Belarusian political prisoners; and calls upon the Lukashenka regime to look again at this outrageous and outmoded practice in modern-day Europe of holding political prisoners and to release them urgently.

346 Scott Martin's book, Before I Forget

Tabled: 20/07/21 Signatories: 8

Alan Brown
Brendan O'Hara
Patrick Grady
Neale Hanvey
Amy Callaghan
Owen Thompson

Jim Shannon

Alison Thewliss

That this House congratulates Scott Martin, who has self-published a book written during covid titled Before I forget; notes that the book is now on its third print run and that Scott has now raised over £7000 for Alzheimer's Scotland; further that sales have come as far afield as Australia and the United States; that Scott chose this charity as a tribute to his mum, Anne Martin who suffers dementia; that the title of the book is a nod to the effects of dementia and has allowed Scott to commit his marathon running efforts to print before he can forget; recognises the volunteering work that Scott has done for his local running club, Kilmarnock Harriers for over 15 years; notes that as a consequence The Harriers paid a surprise tribute to Scott in recognition of his efforts over the years and particularly his fundraising efforts with the book; congratulates Scott on his many achievements at running, including 10km; half marathons, marathons and cross country running; thanks Alzheimer's Scotland and the many volunteers for the work they do to assist people and families affected by dementia; and calls on the Government to make good on their pledges to prioritise funding research into this devastating disease.

347 Mark Cavendish: 34 Tour de France stage wins

Tabled: 20/07/21 Signatories: 6

Jonathan Edwards
Owen Thompson
Hywel Williams
Jeremy Corbyn
Jim Shannon
Chris Stephens

That this House congratulates Mark Cavendish from the Isle of Man on his incredible achievement of winning 34 Tour De France stage victories, equalling the record of the greatest of cyclists Eddie Merckx; notes that Mr Cavendish, nicknamed the Manx Missile, won his first Tour De France stage in 2008; further notes that in this year's Tour De France, Mr Cavendish won four stages and

was labelled the greatest sprinter in the history of cycling by Tour de France Director, Christian Prudhomme; recognises that Mr Cavendish has won over 50 Grand Tour stages during his career; commends Mr Cavendish for the manner in which he has bounced back from adversity and for his resilience and enthusiasm for cycling as a sport; and looks forward to seeing Mr Cavendish return to the Tour de France next year to win further stages and become the record holder for stage victories.

348 John Lewis's equal parenthood paid leave policy

Tabled: 20/07/21 Signatories: 10

Alison Thewliss
Neale Hanvey
Jonathan Edwards
Patrick Grady
Amy Callaghan
Navendu Mishra

Andrew Gwynne

Jim Shannon

That this House recognises the bold leadership shown by John Lewis in becoming the first UK retailer to introduce six months' equal parenthood paid leave and two weeks paid leave for any partner who experiences pregnancy loss; notes that progressive practices such as this are crucial to closing the gender pay gap and encouraging less gendered and more diverse opportunities for parents; considers this a vital step in rethinking the workplace which moves society closer to creating a kinder and fairer employment sector; and encourages other business and organisations to follow the example set by John Lewis and to consider implementing similar practices for the benefit of their own workforces.

349 The Barras' 100th birthday

Tabled: 20/07/21 Signatories: 9

Alison Thewliss
Brendan O'Hara
Neale Hanvey
Patrick Grady
Amy Callaghan
Owen Thompson

Jim Shannon

Chris Stephens

That this House celebrates the 100 year anniversary of The Barras in Glasgow; recognises the market's role in shaping and reflecting Glasgow's vibrant character and its ability to grow and adapt with a changing city; commemorates Maggie McIver, the Bridgeton native who founded the market in the 1920s and who passed away a multi-millionaire in 1958 having inspired generations of businesswomen; acknowledges the cultural contribution of the world-famous Barrowland Ballroom established in 1934, which has been a place for communities to enjoy good company and good music for generations and has attracted countless world-renowned bands to the city; also acknowledges the success of the recently redeveloped award-winning Barras Art and Design which has offered much needed art space and a place for people to come together in celebration; and looks forward whatever the next 100 years may bring.

350 Sholto Carnegie's participation in the Tokyo Olympic Games for Team GB

Tabled: 20/07/21 Signatories: 2

Layla Moran
Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates Sholto Carnegie, an athlete from Oxford West and Abingdon constituency, for his inclusion in the Team GB Rowing Squad for the upcoming Tokyo Olympic Games; further congratulates the rest of the Team GB athletes in their selection and wishes them the very best of luck in the Games; acknowledges the hard work and sacrifice many athletes have made during the Covid-19 pandemic; and calls for the safest and most Covid-secure Games possible for the world to enjoy and generations to be inspired by.

351 UN World Drowning Prevention Day

Tabled: 21/07/21 Signatories: 14

Catherine McKinnell
Neil Parish
Paula Barker
Andrew Gwynne
Jim Shannon
Neale HanveyClive Efford
Jeremy Corbyn
Allan DoransAlison Thewliss
Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck
Bell Ribeiro-AddyNavendu Mishra
Rushanara Ali

That this House welcomes the UN General Assembly's adoption of its first ever resolution on global drowning prevention; recognises the first ever UN World Drowning Prevention Day on 25 July 2021 and deeply regrets that almost 4,000 people in the UK lost their lives in water accidents from 2009-20 according to the Water Incidents Database; acknowledges that most water accidents could be prevented with simple, low cost awareness-raising measures; and calls on the Government to work with school leaders and the National Water Safety Forum, a network of voluntary organisations working together to reduce water-related deaths, to ensure water safety is taught to a high standard in every school.

352 Death of footballer Charlie Gallagher

Tabled: 21/07/21 Signatories: 5

Amy Callaghan
Brendan O'Hara
Jim Shannon
Neale Hanvey
Chris Stephens

That this House recognises the life and achievements of Charlie Gallagher, former football player for Celtic and Dumbarton and resident of Bishopbriggs; notes Charlie's many outstanding achievements in the sport including 171 appearances for Celtic and 95 appearances for Dumbarton winning multiple trophies; further notes Charlie as an important member of Celtic's Lisbon Lions squad who became the first team from the UK to win the European Cup in 1967; recognises in later life Charlie's employment as a taxi driver and service to the people of Glasgow; notes the pride Charlie's family, friends, and the organisations he has served have for his lifetime of achievements in sport and beyond; and sends deepest condolences to Charlie's family.

353 Iona Davies and the Show Racism the Red Card competition

Tabled: 21/07/21 Signatories: 5

Brendan O'Hara
Jim Shannon
Neale Hanvey
Alison Thewliss
Chris Stephens [R]

That this House congratulates Iona Davies, a pupil at Hermitage academy in Helensburgh, on winning first prize in the S1-S3 category in the Show Racism the Red Card creative arts competition; recognises Iona's skill and hard work in creating her stunning artwork, We're All Human; notes that the competition allowed pupils across Scotland, from P1 to S6, to creatively express their messages of inclusion and to celebrate diversity through drawing, poster making, poetry, textile design, music and short films; further notes with deep regret the timely relevance of Show Racism the Red Card's campaign, coinciding as it did with the abhorrent racist abuse of three young England footballers, Marcus Rashford, Jadon Sancho and Bukayo Saka following the European Championship final at Wembley; acknowledges that unfortunately, racism is still a devastating reality for many people across the UK; and thanks Show Racism the Red Card campaign and all other anti-racism campaign groups for the work they do.

354 Lily Wilson's 100th birthday

Tabled: 21/07/21 Signatories: 5

David Linden
Jim Shannon
Neale Hanvey
Alison Thewliss
Chris Stephens

That this House sends its best wishes to Mrs Lily Wilson who celebrated her 100th birthday on 21 July 2021, alongside her friends and family; notes that Mrs Wilson celebrated her birthday in Easterhouse in the Glasgow East constituency, where she has been a valued member of the constituency for many years; congratulates Mrs Wilson on having the children's play park named after her by the Blairtummock Housing Association as part of her birthday gifts to honour her reaching a hundred years; highlights that Mrs Wilson's birthday celebrations included a visit Lord Provost of Glasgow and hopes that Mrs Wilson enjoyed her birthday celebrations; and recognises Lily Wilson for achieving the importance milestone of reaching a century.

355 Sue Ryder Neurological Care Centre Dee View Court

Tabled: 21/07/21 Signatories: 5

Stephen Flynn
Jim Shannon
Neale Hanvey
Alison Thewliss
Chris Stephens

That this House congratulates the charity, Sue Ryder Care on reaching its fundraising target of £3.9 million to cover the costs of increasing capacity of its Dee View Court centre in Aberdeen; recognises that this as a tremendous milestone which is set to benefit many people in the North East of Scotland and beyond for many years to come, with capacity nearly doubling from 24 to 44 bedrooms; understands that Dee View Court is Scotland's only purpose-built care centre for people living with neurological conditions or acquired brain injuries; appreciates the valued efforts of staff

and all donors involved in the fundraising which started back in 2017; and wishes Dee View Court, its staff and residents the very best of luck in its future fundraising endeavours.

356 European nationals in the UK

Tabled: 21/07/21 Signatories: 16

Chris Law
Stewart Hosie
Kirsty Blackman
Patrick Grady
Drew Hendry
Dr Philippa Whitford

Dave Doogan
 Jim Shannon
 Chris Stephens
 Dr Lisa Cameron

Kirsten Oswald
 Neale Hanvey
 Caroline Lucas

Ian Blackford
 Alison Thewliss
 Joanna Cherry

That this House recognises the contribution that the hundreds of thousands of European nationals living in the UK have made to the UK; further recognises that one of those European Nationals is Dundee's Irena Jendrycha, one of the UK's last Holocaust survivors, who moved to the UK aged four after her liberation from a German concentration camp; notes that Irena, like the hundreds of thousands of other European Nationals living in the UK, was forced to apply through the EU Settlement Scheme to secure her place in the UK; further notes that Irena, despite applying is still unaware of her status, which has caused her a lot of stress and anguish; and calls on the Government to resolve applications such as Irena's as soon as possible and ensure that the status of those who are still unsure of their status in the UK will be treated with the dignity and respect that they deserve.

357 Bay Medical Group

Tabled: 21/07/21 Signatories: 2

David Morris
Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates the staff of Bay Medical Group for their hard work and dedication to patients during the covid-19 pandemic; notes the work the whole team has done in ensuring patients could still access GP appointments safely throughout the outbreak by using new ways of working; notes the extra work that has gone into planning and carrying out covid-19 vaccination programme locally; and expresses its thanks on behalf of residents in Morecambe and Lunesdale for the essential service they have provided in a professional manner.

358 Morecambe Football Club and covid-19 vaccination

Tabled: 21/07/21 Signatories: 2

David Morris
Jim Shannon

That this House notes the contribution Morecambe Football Club has made to the the covid-19 vaccination programme in Morecambe and Lunesdale by offering its stadium as a venue; further notes the dedication of Morecambe Football Club staff to help marshal at the venue and ensure that all of those attending for a vaccination were able to do so safely; and thanks Morecambe

Football Club for the contribution it has made to help the community in Morecambe and Lunesdale and allowing a large number of people to get vaccinated safely.

359 Safety and employment on cross Channel ferries

Tabled: 21/07/21 Signatories: 14

Grahame Morris
Ian Mearns
Paula Barker
John McDonnell
Jim Shannon
Mick Whitley

Kim Johnson
 Navendu Mishra
 Ian Lavery

Alison Thewliss
 Claudia Webbe
 Dan Carden

Chris Stephens
 Jeremy Corbyn

That this House is concerned by safety and employment standards on cross Channel ferry services; notes that Irish Ferries' crew on the Dover-Calais route conduct five times more Channel crossings before a period of leave than colleagues at P&O Ferries; further notes that roster patterns on P&O and DFDS ferries from Dover are agreed with the recognised unions, partly to reflect the increased risk of seafarer fatigue on operationally intense cross Channel ferry routes; notes that Irish Ferries does not recognise trade unions and employ seafarers via a Cypriot crewing agent on voyage-only contracts which pay some crew below the National Minimum Wage to work for twelve hours a day for six weeks with no pension provision; is further concerned that the likelihood of a serious maritime safety incident in the Channel is increased by Irish Ferries' business model; believes that local seafarers are effectively excluded from applying for work at Irish Ferries, which also damages the local economy; notes that Irish Ferries does not operate a seafarer apprenticeship scheme; notes that only 13 per cent of Ratings jobs in the UK shipping industry are held by UK seafarers; and calls on the Government to work with the RMT and other trade unions to improve safety and increase employment and training for UK seafarers on strategically vital cross Channel ferry services, as part of the sector's sustainable recovery from the covid-19 pandemic.

360 Accountability for Human Rights Abuses in The Gambia

Tabled: 21/07/21 Signatories: 7

Anne McLaughlin
John McDonnell
Jim Shannon
Jeremy Corbyn
Alison Thewliss
Chris Stephens

Tony Lloyd

That this House welcomes the imminent publication of the report by the Truth, Reconciliation and Reparations Commission of the Gambia, following publicly televised testimony for over two years from victims and former officials, including members of an elite death squad, implicating former Gambian President Yahya Jammeh in the killing and torture of political opponents, the murder of almost 60 West African migrants, the rape and sexual assault of women and a sham HIV treatment programme resulting in over 30 deaths; hopes the report recommendations will be implemented, and the criminal prosecution of Jammeh and his main accomplices will follow; notes that since the end of Jammeh's brutal 22 year dictatorship in 2017, progress in restoring fundamental rights has yet to be consolidated, for instance by ensuring future elections are free and fair and the harassment of journalists and other civil society representatives by the security forces ended; regrets

current Gambian President Adama Barrow did not step down as originally agreed with the coalition that backed him and that corruption, female genital mutilation and child marriage remain serious problems; applauds the imposition of sanctions by the UK Government and others on former Gambian President Jammeh, his wife and the former director-general of the country's National Intelligence Agency; and calls on the Government to continue supporting the Gambia's democratic transition, to assist with implementing the report recommendations and to back the criminal prosecution of Jammeh and others responsible for gross abuses there.

361 **Review of HS2 works in the Chilterns**

Tabled: **21/07/21** Signatories: **7**

Sarah Green
Jim Shannon
Tim Farron
Christine Jardine
Sarah Olney
Wendy Chamberlain

Caroline Lucas

That this House calls for a review into the work on High Speed Rail 2 in the Chilterns; notes the concerns of Buckinghamshire residents, the Chiltern Society and local environmental groups about the potential damage caused to the chalk aquifer and the River Chess and Misbourne; expresses concern about the potential environmental impact on local drinking water and to the chalk streams; believes that an independent inquiry should be conducted and made public; and calls on HS2 Ltd to act with complete transparency in response to questions from local residents and organisations about their water supply and the local environment.