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## Early Day Motions tabled on Thursday 13 January 2022

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### New EDMs

#### 845 In memory of David Stuart

Tabled: 13/01/22 Signatories: 1

**Stewart Malcolm McDonald**

That this House is deeply saddened by the sudden death of David Stuart, an internationally respected advocate, activist, support worker, campaigner, lecturer and researcher for LGBT+ communities; notes that David worked at 56 Dean Street for the last eight years as the Substance Misuse Lead specialising in Chem Sex, and was a true pioneer on the subject with an ability to communicate difficult issues like few others; salutes his tireless work with LGBT+ communities which he did with passion, empathy and kindness; and extends its deepest sympathies to David's family, friends, Dean Street colleagues and all who will miss him.

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#### 846 Jyoti Hazra MBE

Tabled: 13/01/22 Signatories: 1

**Chris Law**

That this House records its sadness at the passing of Jyoti Hazra MBE at the age of 91; commends Jyoti as a tireless campaigner, both in the city of Dundee and across Scotland, for an increase in racial tolerance and understanding between communities; notes that he was a former member of the then Dundee District Council's equal opportunities committee and a past chairman of the Tayside Community Relations Council; further notes his roles as a founding member of the Bharatiya Ashram and as a founder and chairman of the Dundee Translation and Interpretation Service; recognises that his life's work in improving race relations resulted in his receipt of an MBE in 2003; further recognises that he also received the prestigious award of Videsh Samman from the Consul General of India for his service to India-UK relations; and sends its condolences to his family and friends at this sad time.

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**847 No confidence in the Prime Minister**

Tabled: 13/01/22 Signatories: 14

Ed Davey  
 Daisy Cooper  
 Wendy Chamberlain  
 Layla Moran  
 Mr Alistair Carmichael  
 Tim Farron

Christine Jardine  
 Helen Morgan  
 Wera Hobhouse

Sarah Green  
 Jamie Stone  
 Stephen Farry

Sarah Olney  
 Munira Wilson

That this House has no confidence in the Prime Minister because he has broken the covid-19 lockdown laws his Government introduced, misled both Parliament and the public about it, and disastrously undermined public confidence in the midst of a pandemic.

**848 Compassion, respect and integrity in politics**

Tabled: 13/01/22 Signatories: 1

Liz Saville Roberts

That this House condemns the organisation of social gatherings and events at Downing Street during the periods of covid-19 lockdown; further condemns the lack of transparency from the Government regarding the parties and reluctance to disclose attendance; believes that when Members and Ministers do not acknowledge or apologise for making statements that are not accurate and refuse to correct the record, they endanger the reputation of the House of Commons; calls for action to strengthen the values of compassion, respect, and integrity in politics; further calls for the introduction of a new law to strengthen the ability of Parliament and the public to hold politicians to account for deliberate lying and misrepresentation; recommends that Parliamentary time be allocated for a debate on such a law as soon as possible; and is concerned that failure to take action on this matter could erode confidence in our democracy.

**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.

**798 Remembering Stephen Sutton MBE**

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 20

Amy Callaghan  
 Allan Dorans  
 Jim Shannon  
 Chris Law  
 Patrick Grady  
 Stuart C McDonald

Stephen Flynn

That this House celebrates the life and legacy of the late Stephen Sutton MBE who was born on 16 December 1994; understands Stephen was a charity activist known for his blog and fundraising efforts for Teenage Cancer Trust; notes Stephen's story continues to be a source of inspiration for

thousands of people battling cancer across the UK and the rest of the world; further notes that before his passing Stephen raised over £3 million for charities in just over a year and over £5.5 million to this day; recognises the immense impact Stephen's life, fundraising, and passion has had in helping others deal with cancer and other illnesses; thanks Stephen and his family for all they continue to do to help those in need; wishes all the best to his mother Jane and father Andrew; and thanks Stephen Sutton MBE for all he did to help people fighting cancer and for being brave enough to share his inspirational story with the world.

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## 818 Keeping schools open

Tabled: 6/01/22 Signatories: 7

**Munira Wilson**  
**Wera Hobhouse**  
**Sarah Olney**  
**Jamie Stone**  
**Tim Farron**  
**Caroline Lucas**

Ed Davey

That this House recognises that young people have already suffered enormous disruption to their education and spent months isolated from their peers, while parents have been exhausted from the colossal efforts of juggling home schooling and their own work; believes that keeping schools safely open should be a priority in line with keeping hospitals open; further recognises the tireless work of school leaders, teachers and support staff to ensure schools are as safe as possible during the pandemic and applauds these efforts; yet notes that support from the Government has been inadequate to effectively reduce transmission of covid-19; and calls on the Government to distribute additional funding to schools and local authorities to implement measures to reduce the risk of virus transmission including air purification units for every classroom while making the process of distributing those funds as simple as possible.

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## 819 The work of the PEEK Project

Tabled: 6/01/22 Signatories: 7

**Alison Thewliss**  
**John Nicolson**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Amy Callaghan**  
**David Linden**  
**Jim Shannon**

Chris Law

That this House celebrates the fantastic work of the Possibilities for Each and Every Kid project in providing opportunities for children, young people and families across Glasgow to play, create and thrive; congratulates PEEK Chief Executive Michaela Collins on being awarded an MBE for services to the community in Glasgow during covid-19 in the New Year Honours; recalls that Michaela progressed through PEEK as a young person, as a volunteer and staff member; notes the huge success of this year's Winter Warmer and Christmas Gift Appeal which has already raised over £15,000 and is providing cosy winter jackets, wellies and Christmas gifts to those needing some extra help and cheer over the winter period; congratulates the team on receiving the Teams Award at the Glasgow Times' Community Champions Awards which rightfully recognised their enormous efforts to support more than 3,500 children and young people throughout the covid-19 pandemic and deliver an incredible 350,000 meals through the PEEK-A-CHEW project; thanks everyone at PEEK for their continued kindness, commitment and generosity and for the hope and opportunities

they have provided to so many people over the last 25 years; and looks forward to the many new ventures and successes still to come.

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### 820 125 years of Glasgow subway

Tabled: 6/01/22 Signatories: 7

**Alison Thewliss**  
**Richard Thomson**  
**John Nicolson**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Amy Callaghan**  
**Jim Shannon**

Chris Law

That this House congratulates Glasgow Subway on its 125th birthday; recognises the contribution the Clockwork Orange has made to the character of our city and its importance in keeping Glasgow connected; notes the huge efforts made to ensure the Subway has adapted throughout its lifetime and looks forward to the benefits the Subway Modernisation will bring; thanks all of the fantastic staff for their continued work and dedication to keep the carriages rolling and travellers safe throughout the pandemic despite the enormous challenges and risks posed by covid-19; and wishes our shoogly but dependable Subway all the best for the next 125 years.

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### 821 50th birthday of the Strathbungo Society

Tabled: 6/01/22 Signatories: 5

**Alison Thewliss**  
**John Nicolson**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Chris Law**

That this House wishes the Strathbungo Society a very happy 50th birthday; notes the Society was established in 1971 by a small group of residents seeking to save the neighbourhood from destruction as part of plans to build a motorway; recognises that the Society has grown and expanded over the years and that it has been instrumental in making Strathbungo a vibrant and desirable place to live and work; appreciates the Society's aims in developing a strong, close-knit and diverse community and promoting the conservation of local architecture and environmental heritage; thanks the generations of volunteers who have dedicated their time, love and effort to the evolution of the Society and without whom it could not survive; and looks forward to the continued joy, support and successes the Society will bring to future generations of Strathbungo residents for the next 50 years and beyond.

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**822 Post Office Horizon compensation scheme**

Tabled: 6/01/22 Signatories: 58

**Kate Osborne**  
**Paula Barker**  
**Wera Hobhouse**  
**Kim Johnson**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Alan Brown**

Ben Lake

Liz Saville Roberts

Hywel Williams

That this House believes that the 555 litigants, who won civil proceedings against Post Office Ltd in 2018-19, should not be excluded from the Post Office Horizon compensation scheme; that the exclusion of these litigants from the compensation scheme is having and will continue to have a direct and devastating impact on these individuals and their families, especially as they exposed the scandal against all odds and have been left with the legal bill for doing so; resolves that all those affected by this scandal, including the 555 litigants, must receive compensation that is commensurate with the suffering they have faced; and strongly urges the Government to put in place an external compensation scheme that is outside the scope of the Post Office and provide this group with the redress they not only deserve but are entitled to.

**824 Work of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI)**

Tabled: 6/01/22 Signatories: 19

**Angus Brendan MacNeil**  
**Kim Johnson**  
**Dan Carden**  
**Alison Thewliss**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Mohammad Yasin**

Chris Law

That this House commends the Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI) on their tireless work as well as their record year of donations and increased membership; celebrates the institution which is on its way to breaking its fundraising record since it was founded in 1824; notes the work of the 238 lifeboat stations in the UK and Ireland; recognises the heroic work of the RNLI staff and volunteers who risk their own lives to save others; praises the work they do in local communities as well as across their work in the nations of the United Kingdom; and further recognises in particular the work they have done to rescue those who have got into difficulty at sea while seeking asylum and making the perilous journey across the English Channel.

**826 World Champion skater Elise Christie's retirement from short track speed skating**

Tabled: 10/01/22 Signatories: 6

**Hannah Bardell  
Jonathan Edwards  
Alison Thewliss  
Allan Dorans  
Jim Shannon  
Chris Law**

That this House sends its best wishes to three-time Scottish and British Olympic short track speed World Champion skater Elise Christie, following her decision to retire from short track speed skating; notes that Elise was born in Livingston and attended St Margaret's High School and later went on to study at Loughborough College, was originally a figure skater but made the transition to speed skating at the age of 15, achieving 12 world championship medals over her distinguished career; further notes that Elise is a 10-time European gold medallist, achieving two overall European titles in 2015 and 2016 respectively, winning over 70 World Cup/ European and World Championship medals in total, representing her country in no less than three Winter Olympics, finishing in fourth place at the 2018 Winter Olympic Games in PyeongChang; notes the unwavering support of her coach, mentor and friend Nicky Gooch; recognises her courageous decision to speak openly about her mental health struggles; further notes with pride her untiring commitment to her sport despite many hardships throughout her career in which she has inspired countless children to never give up on their dreams; congratulates her and co-author Mark Eglinton on the compelling personal autobiography titled Resilience that charts Elise's journey to becoming a champion; and sends her very best wishes in her role as a coach ahead of the Winter Olympic Games in Beijing and for her future.

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**827 Clare Mitchell, owner of Revive Salon, Cardenden**

Tabled: 10/01/22 Signatories: 6

**Peter Grant  
Douglas Chapman  
Allan Dorans  
Margaret Ferrier  
Jim Shannon  
Chris Law**

That this House commends the work of owner, Clare Mitchell, at Revive Salon in Cardenden for looking after those facing homelessness in the local area by offering free haircuts, hot drinks and a listening ear throughout December; congratulates her on the success of her thoughtful and kind gesture during an already busy period for the salon; thanks her on behalf of those who benefitted from her opening her business in this way as it will no doubt have had a significant impact to their wellbeing; highlights the importance of acts of kindness in pulling local communities together; and wishes her all the best for the continued success of her business.

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**829 Covid mitigation in schools**

Tabled: 10/01/22 Signatories: 8

**Layla Moran**  
**Ms Diane Abbott**  
**Wera Hobhouse**  
**Sarah Olney**  
**Claudia Webbe**  
**Jim Shannon**

Clive Lewis

That this House notes that schools never shut and should never have to; expresses alarm that internationally and scientifically recognised, multi-layered mitigations advised by the WHO were not in place before in-person education resumed in September 2020, March 2021, September 2021 and January 2022 to prevent unnecessarily exposing students, staff and their families to increased risk of infection from airborne, covid-19 causing pathogens; recognises the importance of face-to-face learning in children's psychosocial development but stresses that this cannot be at the cost of their safety; notes with concern the failure to issue guidance that was firmly grounded in health and safety legislation and scientifically recognised infection control protocols, instead focusing on maximising attendance, which has contributed to over 100 children dying and thousands suffering from long covid; calls on the Government to stop pursuing the prosecutions of parents who wish to prevent their children from catching and spreading covid-19; and praises the work of SafeEdForAll, for tirelessly helping hundreds of thousands of families across the UK, who are deeply concerned with the current safety of schools.

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**830 Registration of both female same-sex parents of children born pre-2008**

Tabled: 10/01/22 Signatories: 6

**Richard Thomson**  
**Alison Thewliss**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Caroline Lucas**  
**Chris Law**  
**Amy Callaghan**

That this House notes that in the UK, unlike for those with children born after the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act came into force on 13 November 2008, female same-sex couples with children born pre-2008 cannot both be legally registered as the child or children's parent; further notes that in some countries it is a requirement for a parent seeking to relocate to those countries with their children to be recognised as a parent and that there is currently no means in law for them to remedy this situation; and calls on the Government to take action to remedy this by introducing a legal mechanism for both partners in a same-sex couple with children born pre-2008 to have the same rights in law to be recognised as the child or children's parents as those same-sex couples with children born post-2008.

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**832 David Marshall, Vice-Chair, East Fife Football Club**

Tabled: 10/01/22 Signatories: 8

**Peter Grant**  
**Ms Anum Qaisar**  
**Alison Thewliss**  
**Douglas Chapman**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Margaret Ferrier**

Chris Law

That this House records its sadness at the recent passing of Dave Marshall, Vice-chair of East Fife Football Club; notes that Dave, a retired Royal Navy officer and a lifelong supporter of The Fife, joined the board in 2003 and served almost continuously until his death; commends his dedication in also working for almost 10 years on the ground staff at Bayview Stadium before taking on a similar role at King George V Park in Leven where the playing surface was recognised as one of the best in junior and amateur football; recognises his commitment to the development of women's football in Levenmouth by serving as vice-chair of the Trustees of East Fife Girls and Women's Football Club at King George V Park in Leven; further notes his dedication to his local community through such positions as a trustee of Fifers For The Community, Secretary of East Fife Supporters' Club and as East Fife Football Club's ambassador for the Show Racism the Red Card campaign; and sends its condolences to his family, friends and everyone at East Fife at this sad time.

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**834 Carlibar Park Wee Wood**

Tabled: 11/01/22 Signatories: 5

**Kirsten Oswald**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Chris Law**  
**Amy Callaghan**

That this House congratulates the pupils of Carlibar Primary School in Barrhead who are playing their part in tackling climate change by planting hundreds of trees; notes that the school's primary seven group planted saplings of native species, including oak and aspen, at Barrhead's Carlibar Park as part of the Wee Wood project being run in partnership by the Scottish Contemporary Art Network and East Renfrewshire Council; further notes that the Carlibar Park Wee Wood will be one of 26 woodlands established across East Renfrewshire as part of a legacy project linked to the COP26 climate change conference held in Glasgow last year; welcomes the fact that artist and Scottish Contemporary Art Network member, Robyn Woolston, who worked with the pupils on the tree planting will work with Carlibar Primary on further art activities to help reduce carbon impact, support ecological diversity and introduce young people to the role of art in unlocking climate action.

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**835 Human rights in Bahrain**

Tabled: 11/01/22 Signatories: 25

**Margaret Ferrier**  
**Sir Peter Bottomley**  
**Tony Lloyd**  
**Brendan O'Hara**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Kenny MacAskill**

Caroline Lucas  
 Chris Law  
 Paul Girvan  
 Martyn Day

Christine Jardine  
 Wayne David  
 Jonathan Edwards

Tim Farron  
 Allan Dorans  
 Amy Callaghan

That this House is concerned by continuing serious human rights violations in Bahrain, including the ongoing arbitrary detention and inhumane treatment of prisoners of conscience, including Abduljalil al-Singace, Hassan Mushaima, Abdulwahab Hussain, Abdulhadi al-Khawaja and Sheikh Ali Salman; notes that Freedom House in its 2021 report rated Bahrain as not free and that Bahrain is ranked 150 out of 167 countries in The Economist's 2020 Global Democracy Index and 168 out of 180 in the World Press Freedom Index 2021; urges the Bahraini Government to release all prisoners of conscience, enable civil society representatives and human rights defenders to operate freely, permit genuine political opposition and independent media, and end the use of the death penalty; further urges the Bahraini Government to initiate a substantive and inclusive in-country dialogue on political and constitutional reform and to cooperate with human rights organisations and experts, including from the UN, to allow for, inter alia, an independent assessment of prison conditions and its reform agenda; and calls on the Government to review its funding to and other agreements with Bahrain and to meet human rights defenders and organisations, civil society representatives and non-violent opposition from Bahrain, as well as to take action to hold Bahraini officials responsible for serious human rights violations to account.

**836 Detention of Professor Faizulla Jalal**

Tabled: 11/01/22 Signatories: 6

**Patrick Grady**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Caroline Lucas**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Chris Law**  
**Amy Callaghan**

That this House notes with concern reports that Professor Faizullah Jalal of Kabul University, Afghanistan, has been arrested by the Taliban following an appearance on a news channel in which he criticised the regime's response to the humanitarian situation in the country; notes that many human rights organisations have expressed concern at that arrest, and that Amnesty International has described it as the latest effort by the Taliban to stifle dissent and further evidence of Taliban intimidation, harassment and violent attacks on individuals who criticise them, and that the organisation has found human rights defenders, women activists, journalists and members of academia have the greatest number of reprisals; and calls on the UK Government to condemn the behaviour of the Taliban, join efforts to press for the release of Professor Jalal, and to rapidly scale up its effort to provide asylum and resettlement support to Afghan nationals who wish to escape the Taliban regime and make their home in the UK.

**837 Warm Home Discount Scheme**

Tabled: 11/01/22 Signatories: 6

**Chris Stephens**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Chris Law**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Amy Callaghan**

That this House notes that the Government began in 2021 to consult on the idea of extending the Warm Home Discount scheme to a broader group of households on low incomes and with high heating costs; further notes that, under this idea, those households would receive the rebates automatically, rather than having to apply; notes that the idea has not yet been enacted and was instead earmarked for a later date; and calls on the Government to bring forward the introduction of that reform with immediate effect to help households on low incomes with the rising cost of living.

**838 Funding for nutrition-related aid programmes**

Tabled: 11/01/22 Signatories: 5

**Patrick Grady**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Chris Law**  
**Amy Callaghan**

That this House calls on the Government to urgently reconsider its decision not to pledge any new funding at the December 2021 Nutrition for Growth Summit hosted by Tokyo; notes that the Government did not set targets for its impact in this area at the summit; is concerned that the UK was previously considered a leader in combatting malnutrition but has since reduced nutrition-specific international aid by 70 per cent which is disproportionate to reductions elsewhere and has undermined the UK's international reputation in addition to putting millions of lives at risk; notes that malnutrition is still linked to 45 per cent of deaths among under fives worldwide; and calls on the Government to urgently commit to investing £120 million per year over the next five years in nutrition-specific programming and to renew its commitment to reach at least 50 million people with nutrition-specific programming by 2025 as campaigned for by international charities in the field prior to the summit.

**839 2nd Renfrew (Trinity) Scouts**

Tabled: 11/01/22 Signatories: 4

**Gavin Newlands**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Chris Law**

That this House notes the centenary of the formation of the 2nd Renfrew (Trinity) Scout Group on 21 November 2021 following the work of Mr Archie Ferguson in constituting and leading the group as its first Scoutmaster; congratulates the group on the hugely positive role they have played in Renfrew and for the wider community over their 100 years of existence; recognises the work and dedication of all who have helped the group since its foundation, including leaders, helpers and parents, and have helped the group adapt and modernise over the years; acknowledges the

thousands of Scouts, Cubs, Explorers and Beavers who have benefited from membership of the group; and extends good wishes to the group for its next 100 years of serving the community.

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#### 840 Overactive bladder syndrome

Tabled: 11/01/22 Signatories: 2

**Jim Shannon**  
**Paul Girvan**

That this House notes that overactive bladder syndrome (OAB) affects over 4.5 million people in the UK and costs the health system over £840 million per year; recognises that the serious condition impacts on physical, social and psychological wellbeing and can dominate and impose on peoples' sense of personal freedom by interfering with daily activities; is concerned that inadequate management of this condition can lead to escalating health costs and unnecessary hospitalisations; acknowledges that the covid-19 pandemic has severely impacted on patients being able to access their GP or receive adequate care and support for continence issues; further recognises that community-based continence services have been shown to save valuable NHS resources whilst restoring dignity to people and facilitating their ability to lead full and active lives; acknowledges that effective treatment of OAB and incontinence recognises the importance of access to early assessment and diagnosis and appropriate clinical interventions at the right point in time for each patient; and calls on the Government to ensure adherence to NICE Guidelines and NHS England's Excellence in Continence Care recommendations.

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#### 841 Russian Military Studies Centre

Tabled: 12/01/22 Signatories: 3

**Martin Docherty-Hughes**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Jim Shannon**

That this House commends the work of the Russian Military Studies Centre (RMSC) at the Defence Academy of the UK (DefAc UK), particularly during time of heightened tension with the Russian Federation; notes that it contains one of the most extensive catalogues of papers, journals, books and other resources regarding military and security policy not only of the Russian Federation and the USSR, but of other former Soviet Republics, with publications predominantly in Russian and English, but also in the languages of Eastern Europe and Central Asia; further notes that the RMSC's holding has been built up over 70 years, originating in the Soviet Studies Research Centre (SSRC) based at the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst; notes that following the end of the Cold War the SSRC became the Conflict Studies Research Centre (CSRC), and moved to DefAc UK in 2004; regretfully notes that the CSRC collection was almost disbanded before passing over to the care of the Barrington Library which augmented that collection with materials from the School of Languages at the Ministry of Defence; is disappointed that despite this outstanding pedigree and proven research record supporting the UK's Armed Forces and others, that the future of the RMSC remains unclear; and is concerned to note that staff previously employed at the archive have not had their contracts renewed since September 2021, while the Ministry of Defence undertakes a study on the future of the RMSC.

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**842 Israel**

Tabled: 12/01/22 Signatories: 2

**Paul Girvan**  
**Jim Shannon**

That this House notes that in a poll from the Palestine News Network, 93 per cent of the people in Jerusalem who are ethnically Arab prefer Israeli rule; and calls on the Government to use this statistic and the simple principle of self-determination whenever hard left Governments call for East Jerusalem to be part of an Arab state and to give strong opposition to such a proposal.

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**843 Air defence systems**

Tabled: 12/01/22 Signatories: 2

**Paul Girvan**  
**Jim Shannon**

That this House notes the success of the Israeli Iron Dome System; further notes that the US, Russia, China, India, France, and Taiwan have also developed such air defence systems for medium and long range missiles; and calls on the Government to develop a missile defence system as a priority to defend the whole UK if needed.

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**844 UK Pool and Spa Award for Higginson family business**

Tabled: 12/01/22 Signatories: 2

**Kenny MacAskill**  
**Jim Shannon**

That this House congratulates Lee Higginson of Advanced Hot Tubs and Swim Spas on being crowned Spa Technician of the Year at the UK Pool and Spa Awards in December 2021; understands that Lee is part of a family business with his brother Kevin, sister-in-law Trisha, and nephew Lewis; notes that winners across 30 categories were announced at the awards ceremony and each category is judged by specialists in each field before being scrutinised by an independent jury that has the task of confirming the final competition positions; and wishes Lee, and the company, the best of luck with this future.