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## Early Day Motions tabled on Tuesday 12 January 2021

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### New EDMs

#### 1339 Tech industry unionisation

Tabled: 12/01/21 Signatories: 1

**Clive Lewis**

That this House welcomes and celebrates the creation of the Alphabet Workers Union and the unionisation of hundreds of Google workers in Silicon Valley; condemns the victimisation and harassment of any worker that is seeking to have their basic right to organise and collective bargaining recognised, and aggressive behaviour by companies in the tech industry that dissuades and prevents workers from unionising; notes that Google hired a consultancy known for anti-union activity, and the US National Labor Relations Board's complaint against Google which includes accusations of illegally spying on employees, and firing employees for attempting to unionise; recognises the growing power of the tech industry, its expansion into civic space, and the largely unregulated control tech companies have over online speech, privacy, and personal data; supports the extension of democracy into workplaces through unionisation and the progressive influence workers can have on tech companies; and calls on the Secretary of State for International Trade and President of the Board of Trade to publicly support Google's employees in trade negotiations with the US Government, and to advocate in these negotiations that the USA raises its labour standards and strengthens the rights of all workers, including the right to unionise.

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#### 1340 Fetal pain

Tabled: 12/01/21 Signatories: 2

**Carla Lockhart**  
**Paul Girvan**

That this House welcomes the report on Foetal Sentience and Pain commissioned by the all-party Parliamentary pro-life group; recognises that recent research by Dr Stuart WG Derbyshire and John C Bockmann PA in the Journal of Medical Ethics supports the view that babies in the womb may feel pain from as early as 12 weeks' gestation; welcomes the provision of pain relief for babies in

the womb undergoing surgery for spina bifida between 20 and 26 weeks' gestation; regrets the inconsistency in NHS practice that recommends pain relief for spina bifida surgery from 20 weeks' gestation but not for abortion at the same gestation; notes that the killing of protected animals from two-thirds of gestation is subject to tighter legal regulation than unborn humans being aborted from the same stage of development; and calls on the Government to review its official guidance on fetal pain, requiring that pain relief be provided from at least 12 weeks' gestation for all invasive medical procedures involving babies in the womb, including abortion.

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### 1341 **Scaling the UK hydrogen economy**

Tabled: **12/01/21** Signatories: **1**

**Alexander Stafford**

That this House welcomes the Government's commitment to green hydrogen to help the UK achieve net zero emissions by 2030 as announced in the Prime Minister's ten-point plan for the environment; notes that reforming the current Renewable Transport Fuel Obligation (RTFO) will allow the UK to meet the Prime Minister's target of 5GW of low-carbon hydrogen production by 2030; believes that the UK must take every opportunity leaving the EU provides and reform the RTFO to allow electrolyzers that produce green hydrogen to connect to existing wind farms rather than wait to connect to new wind farms currently under construction; and notes that this change will hasten the scaling of the UK's hydrogen economy.

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### 1342 **The death of Mohamud Mohammed Hassan**

Tabled: **12/01/21** Signatories: **1**

**Liz Saville Roberts**

That this House mourns the death of Mohamud Mohammed Hassan following his release without charge from police custody in Cardiff on 9 January 2020; offers its deepest condolences to Mr Hassan's family and friends; notes that South Wales Police has, as is standard practice following a death after police contact, self-referred to the Independent Office for Police Conduct; calls for a full and transparent investigation into the circumstances of Mr Hassan's death; recognises legitimate concerns arising from evidence that people of Black and Ethnic Minority ethnicity die at a disproportionately higher rate as a result of the use of force or restraint by police; and calls for systematic and institutional change to end racial discrimination within the criminal justice system.

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### 1343 **Lochend Community High School competition winners**

Tabled: **12/01/21** Signatories: **1**

**David Linden**

That this House congratulates pupils at Lochend Community High School for winning the Cityfibre business prize; notes that students created a line of eco-friendly scented wax melts, winning the top prize; applauds the fact that the wax melt products have also been included in packs given out by local charities, including PEEK and FARE Scotland; praises Cityfibre for sponsoring the social media training for students through the Young Enterprise Scotland Company Programme; and commends the students for their creativity and entrepreneurship.

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**1344 45th anniversary of the Kingsmill massacre**

Tabled: 12/01/21 Signatories: 2

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

That this House notes the passing of the 45th anniversary of the Kingsmill massacre; extends again thoughts and prayers to the families continuing to live without husbands, fathers and sons; reaffirms the desire to find justice for these families; and affirms the commitment to liaising with counterparts in the Republic of Ireland on the alleged collusions which allowed perpetrators to cross the border without fear of arrest or conviction.

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**1345 Travellers' Allowances and Miscellaneous Provisions**

Tabled: 12/01/21 Signatories: 5

**Ian Blackford**  
**Alison Thewliss**  
**Gavin Newlands**  
**Kirsten Oswald**  
**Patrick Grady**

That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Travellers' Allowances and Miscellaneous Provisions (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1412), dated 3 December 2020, a copy of which was laid before this House on 3 December 2020, be annulled.

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**1346 Statement of Changes in Immigration Rules**

Tabled: 12/01/21 Signatories: 6

**Ian Blackford**  
**Stuart C McDonald**  
**Kirsten Oswald**  
**Joanna Cherry**  
**Kenny MacAskill**  
**Patrick Grady**

That the Statement of Changes in Immigration Rules (House of Commons Paper No. 1043), a copy of which was laid before this House on 10 December, be disapproved.

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**1347 Cutaneous T-cell lymphoma**

Tabled: 12/01/21 Signatories: 2

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

That this House notes the rare blood cancer, Cutaneous T-cell lymphoma (CTCL) is a serious and potentially life-threatening cancer that affects the skin, blood, lymph nodes and internal organs; recognizes that people living with the disease have a substantially reduced quality of life; highlights that living with a diagnosis of mycosis fungoides or Sézary syndrome, two subtypes of CTCL, is challenging, both from a symptoms management and psycho-social point of view; emphasizes the poor prognosis for people diagnosed with an advanced stage of the condition; and calls for greater awareness of this disease and more equitable access to treatment and care for those living with this rare, debilitating haematological malignancy.

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## Added Names

Below are EDMs tabled in the last two weeks to which names have been added. Only the first 6 names and any new names are included.

### 1305 Holocaust Memorial Day 2021

Tabled: 30/12/20 Signatories: 17

**Bob Blackman**  
**Kirsten Oswald**  
**Chris Stephens**  
**Catherine McKinnell**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Paula Barker**

Carol Monaghan

Patrick Grady

Carla Lockhart

That this House notes that on 27 January 2021 the UK will observe Holocaust Memorial Day marking the anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau, where an estimated 1.1 million people were murdered; commemorates the six million victims of the Holocaust; further notes that the theme for Holocaust Memorial Day 2021 is Be the Light in the Darkness; pays tribute to the commitment of Holocaust survivors and Kindertransport refugees who share their experiences with young people across the country; acknowledges the importance of the Holocaust Educational Trust's work in schools across the UK and in particular the Lessons from Auschwitz project, which has so far given more than 40,000 students and teachers the opportunity to visit Auschwitz-Birkenau; welcomes the establishment of a permanent National Holocaust Memorial and Learning Centre adjacent to Parliament; pays tribute to the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust for organising the national Holocaust Memorial Day event; and urges all right hon. and hon. Members to observe that day so that the appalling events of the Holocaust are always understood by future generations.

### 1307 Touring artists after UK's departure from the EU

Tabled: 30/12/20 Signatories: 15

**John Nicolson**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Chris Law**  
**Chris Stephens**  
**Caroline Lucas**  
**Neale Hanvey**

Wendy Chamberlain

Patrick Grady

That this House recognises the enormous economic and cultural benefit musicians and other touring artists from the EU provide to the UK, and vice versa; further recognises that visa-free travel arrangements are of vital importance to the facilitation of artists touring in other countries; and therefore calls upon the UK Government to agree with the European Union a touring artist visa waiver scheme that would facilitate touring artists travelling between and performing in both the EU and UK without visa requirements.

**1310 50th anniversary of the Ibrox disaster**

Tabled: 30/12/20 Signatories: 42

**Chris Stephens**  
**Peter Grant**  
**Mr Alistair Carmichael**  
**Steve McCabe**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Alison Thewliss**

Mr Gregory Campbell

Carla Lockhart

That this House notes that 2 January 2021 will be the 50th anniversary of the Ibrox disaster which killed 66 people and injured over 200 people; notes that this was the worst football disaster in Britain until the Hillsborough disaster in 1989; notes that all 66 who died on 2 January 1971 were aged under 50 years of age, including five schoolmates from the town of Markinch in Fife; remembers all those who died and expresses continued sympathies and prayers with the families who lost loved ones; and further notes that the disaster is commemorated with a statue at Ibrox stadium; recognises the major changes to football stadia design and standards and that spectator safety is always paramount in enjoying sport.

**1312 EU visa system for touring artists and musicians**

Tabled: 30/12/20 Signatories: 24

**Dave Doogan**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Chris Law**  
**Owen Thompson**  
**Martin Docherty-Hughes**  
**John Nicolson**

Jonathan Edwards

Wendy Chamberlain

Patrick Grady

That this House notes with concern that while the deal agreed between the UK and the EU provides exemptions to visa rules for certain workers travelling to different European countries, this does not include artists and musicians; understands this will result in artists having to apply for separate visas for each individual country visited while touring in Europe resulting in significant added cost; further notes that the petition launched by artist Tim Brennan on that matter has exceeded the 100,000 signatures needed to secure a debate in the House; and urges the UK Government to urgently introduce a visa for touring musicians and other artists to facilitate their work across Europe without requiring the need for multiple visas and attendant additional costs.

**1313 Scottish fishing and the effects of the UK-EU Trade and Co-operation Agreement**

Tabled: 30/12/20 Signatories: 16

**Deidre Brock**  
**Stewart Hosie**  
**Patricia Gibson**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Kirsten Oswald**  
**Dave Doogan**

Patrick Grady

That this House notes that the UK-EU Trade and Co-operation Agreement ties UK fishing fleets into a continuing Common Fisheries Policy with quotas of total allowable catch being allocated through agreement with the EU which will mean decreasing allowable catches for Scottish boats; further notes that any termination of the fishing heading will also terminate the agreements on trade, aviation and transport under FISH17; considers that fishing communities will consider this a betrayal and that the promised Seas of Opportunity have become lost opportunities; and calls on the Government to address the concerns of the Scottish fishing industry on fishing quotas.

**1314 Sage care workers and cleaners**

Tabled: 6/01/21 Signatories: 12

**Paula Barker**  
**Rachel Hopkins**  
**Navendu Mishra**  
**Mick Whitley**  
**Kim Johnson**  
**Jonathan Edwards**

Ian Lavery

That this House notes with deep concern that domestic staff and care workers employed at Sage Nursing Home, London NW11, are paid below the Real Living Wage at a rate of £8.72 - £9.60 per hour; is appalled that serious health and safety concerns and grievances regarding discriminatory treatment have not been addressed; notes that when staff are sick they receive only 50 per cent of their wages excluding the first day of absence and for a maximum of three weeks, something which forces staff to choose between paying their rent or their health and the health of residents; supports the workers' demands for £12 per hour and parity in sick pay and annual leave with NHS workers; further calls on Sage to recognise the workers' trade union of choice, United Voices of the World; and further calls on central government, local councils and care home providers to work together to put claps and fine words in praise of these key workers into action ensuring workers in care homes up and down the United Kingdom are given parity in pay, sick pay and annual leave with NHS workers and afforded the long overdue respect and dignity that they deserve.

**1315 Societal contribution of supermarket workers**

Tabled: 6/01/21 Signatories: 9

**Kirsten Oswald**  
**Chris Law**  
**Steven Bonnar**  
**Ben Lake**  
**John McDonnell**  
**Liz Saville Roberts**

Patrick Grady

That this House expresses its appreciation of the efforts of supermarket workers who have continued working in challenging circumstances throughout the pandemic; notes that the ability to keep trading while other outlets have been closed has resulted in bumper sales for supermarket chains and is likely to lead to bumper year-end profits for many companies; considers that supermarket bosses, such as those at ASDA, owe a debt of gratitude to their employees for their efforts; is concerned to hear reports that employees of ASDA, including those at their Barrhead and Newton Mearns stores, having been told that all of its UK stores would close on Boxing Day to give employees the chance to stay at home with their families were then told they faced losing wages or part of their annual holiday entitlement if they took the day off; and urges ASDA management to work with trade unions such as GMB and USDAW who have expressed concern at the company's actions to provide their employees with suitable recognition for their efforts instead of this Scrooge-like non-holiday.

**1316 Support for education support staff during covid-19 outbreak**

Tabled: 6/01/21 Signatories: 23

**Kim Johnson**  
**Paula Barker**  
**Mick Whitley**  
**Rachel Hopkins**  
**Ben Lake**  
**John McDonnell**

Ian Lavery

Olivia Blake

That this House recognises that the invisible workforce of over half a million school support staff, including teaching and classroom assistants, SEND support workers, caterers, cleaners and caretakers have been crucial to keeping schools running throughout the pandemic; notes that they have provided invaluable pastoral and educational support to the most vulnerable children in the face of unprecedented challenges and at great risk to their own safety; Unison, who represent over 350,000 educational support staff, note that these staff are more likely to be Black women, agency workers and on low pay; and calls for the provision of adequate PPE, priority access to vaccination and financial support from the government to ensure that no worker – including agency workers – has to self-isolate or take time off sick on less than their full salary, effectively putting public health at risk by forcing workers to choose between their own health and putting food on the table.

**1317 Deposit Return Scheme**

Tabled: 6/01/21 Signatories: 15

**Andrew Gwynne**  
**Hilary Benn**  
**Kevin Brennan**  
**Ben Lake**  
**Caroline Lucas**  
**Liz Saville Roberts**

Sammy Wilson

That this House notes that the UK is in the midst of a catastrophic waste crisis and that, according to Keep Britain Tidy, over two million pieces of litter are dropped in the UK every day; recognises that drinks containers contribute to the crisis; notes that a Deposit Return Scheme for drinks containers in England, Wales and Northern Ireland will help fight Britain's waste crisis; recognises that Nordic countries have best-in-class Deposit Return Scheme models inclusive of all materials with a deposit fee that varies according to the size and material of the container, and that these countries benefit from recycling rates higher than 90 percent; strongly supports the introduction of a Deposit Return Scheme for England, Wales and Northern Ireland that mirrors the tried and tested Nordic model; and calls on the Government to follow the example of these nations and introduce a world-class scheme in 2023.

**1318 Former miners and covid-19**

Tabled: 6/01/21 Signatories: 14

**Jon Trickett**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Ms Diane Abbott**  
**Paula Barker**  
**Ben Lake**  
**John McDonnell**

Dan Jarvis

Ian Lavery

That this House notes a number of former miners suffering from industrial diseases including Chronic Bronchitis, Emphysema and Pneumoconiosis have sadly died from Covid-19; further notes that families of miners are entitled to industrial industry compensation if former miners die of industrial illnesses; expresses concern that the medical history of miners is being overlooked during the Covid-19 crisis, resulting in grieving families being unable to claim industrial industry compensation payments; believes that if former miners die of Covid-19 whilst suffering from an industrial disease, their families are entitled to be compensated; and therefore calls on the Government to urgently address this injustice in order to ensure that industrial diseases are recorded on the death certificate of all ex-miners that have passed away from Covid-19.



**1320 Death of Jim McLean**

Tabled: 6/01/21 Signatories: 11

**Stewart Hosie**  
**Chris Law**  
**Kirsten Oswald**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Stephen Flynn**  
**Steven Bonnar**

Mr Gregory Campbell

That this House notes with sadness the passing of Dundee United legend Jim McLean, the team's most successful manager; recognises the huge contribution Jim made to the club, leading the Arabs to a Premier League win, UEFA Cup final, European Cup semi-final and two league cup wins; pays tribute to the incredible legacy he left in Dundee; and extends its most sincere sympathy to Jim's family, Dundee United and to the tens of thousands of fans in Dundee and across Scotland mourning this loss.

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**1321 Student tuition fees and student debt**

Tabled: 6/01/21 Signatories: 19

**Claudia Webbe**  
**John McDonnell**  
**Zarah Sultana**  
**Ian Lavery**  
**Bell Ribeiro-Addy**  
**Grahame Morris**

Mike Hill

Jon Trickett

That this House welcomes the move to online university learning in order to combat the spread of the covid-19 virus; is concerned that the Government took this decision after months of scientific and trade union advice; notes that the University and College Union (UCU) warned against students returning to universities in August 2020 and that on the 26th September 2020 the Government's Scientific Advisory Group for Emergencies (SAGE) recommended a shift to online learning unless face-to-face teaching is absolutely essential; is concerned that, according to UCU, there have been over 52,000 positive cases of covid-19 in UK higher and further education institutions; recognises that students have been required to stay in their university halls, which placed an intolerable strain on mental health, and that now students are learning online, thus missing out on the usual university experience, and cannot return to the campuses they are incurring an average of £57,000 worth of debt to attend; believes that the last decade of extortionate tuition fees has been a failed experiment, which has saddled young people with debt, deterred working class people from gaining a higher education and turned our universities into profit-seeking business; and calls on the Government to refund rents, scrap tuition fees, cancel student debt for good and ensure that young people are not punished for seeking an education.

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### 1323 **Electronic voting in the House of Commons during covid-19 national lockdown**

Tabled: 6/01/21 Signatories: 17

**Caroline Lucas**  
**Bell Ribeiro-Addy**  
**Ed Davey**  
**Liz Saville Roberts**  
**Claire Hanna**  
**Owen Thompson**

Clive Lewis

Patrick Grady

That this House notes the success of the electronic voting system used by hon. Members in the House of Commons during the first national lockdown to prevent the spread of covid-19 in 2020; notes that MPs who need or want to avoid long distance travel currently have no choice but to use the proxy voting system; believes the proxy system is not the best system for voting in the House of Commons when large numbers of MPs have to use it for a prolonged period of time; further notes that electronic voting is safer than the proxy voting system which results in more hon. Members travelling to London and back; notes the proxy voting system allows an individual whip to cast the votes of 100s of backbenchers at a time and that a recent list indicated that the Government's Deputy Chief Whip was designated to cast proxy votes for 315 MPs; is concerned that used in this way, this is a method of voting that risks the transfer of a degree of power to the whips over voting decisions of backbenchers; hopes the Government does not wish to be seen to be marking its own homework; believes the re-introduction of electronic voting for MPs would be healthier for the democratic scrutiny of the Government as well as being more covid-secure; and calls upon the Government to reinstate electronic voting in divisions for the duration of national lockdown.

### 1325 **Universal Credit deductions (No. 2)**

Tabled: 6/01/21 Signatories: 16

**Chris Stephens**  
**Margaret Ferrier**  
**Neale Hanvey**  
**Chris Law**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Steven Bonnar**

Patrick Grady

That this House notes that sums deducted from Universal Credit to repay debts, overpayments, and advance payments are a main driver of need for food banks; notes that 41 per cent of Universal Credit claims are subject to deductions averaging £70 per month; notes that after the introduction of a national lockdown in March 2020, the Government suspended for three months the deductions to repay debts and overpayments; notes that the full resumption of deductions since July 2020 has eliminated much of the effect on claimants' living standards of the twelve-month increase in the standard allowance; and calls on the Government to reintroduce its suspension of deductions to repay debts and overpayments, and to introduce with immediate effect its stated policy, which is not due to take effect until October 2021, of easing the rate of deductions from Universal Credit by extending the repayment period for advance payments and lowering the monthly cap on deductions.

**1326 Support for hospitality businesses**

Tabled: 11/01/21 Signatories: 14

**Dr Rupa Huq**  
**Caroline Lucas**  
**Sir Peter Bottomley**  
**Clive Lewis**  
**Navendu Mishra**  
**Jonathan Edwards**

Mike Hill  
Mr Virendra Sharma  
Olivia Blake

Ben Lake  
John Spellar  
Rachel Hopkins

Paula Barker  
Claire Hanna

That this House notes with alarm that the hospitality sector suffered 297,000 job losses between February and November 2020 according to Office for National Statistics data; recognises the immense efforts and sacrifices hospitality business owners, including many from BME backgrounds, have made to keep their premises covid-19 secure prior to the latest lockdown; observes with concern that many pubs are now on the brink of extinction; believes that the Chancellor of the Exchequer's offer of extra business support does not go far enough, a position echoed by representatives from the CBI, BCC and the Federation of Small Businesses (FSB); urges the Government to extend the job retention scheme to the end of the second quarter and remove the business rate relief cliff edge in April; and calls on the Government to meet UK hospitality representatives to establish a roadmap to recovery for the sector in 2021.

**1332 Proposed Directors' Income Support Scheme**

Tabled: 11/01/21 Signatories: 2

**Angela Crawley**  
**Ben Lake**

That this House notes the merits of the proposed Directors' Income Support Scheme (DISS) which is currently under consideration by the HM Treasury; supports the urgent implementation of the proposed DISS which closely follows the structure of the existing Self-Employed Income Support Scheme; recognises that the DISS proposal is based on a company's trading profits of which verification can be self-certified given a director of a limited company has certain duties under law; understands that by taking account of trading profits rather than dividends, the DISS would allow limited company directors to claim support, unlike previous such Government support schemes; anticipates that the proposed DISS would be secure from fraud or abuse by non-trading companies due to the requirement to claim that support through trading profit; believes that the implementation of that proposed scheme would target companies which intend to continue to trade but which are either impacted by reduced demand or are unable to trade due to the coronavirus outbreak; and considers that the proposed DISS would be a positive step towards helping many of the estimated three million workers forming ExcludedUK who have to date been ineligible for Government support so far established in response to the coronavirus outbreak.

**1334 PrEP and National HIV Testing Week 2021**

Tabled: 11/01/21 Signatories: 6

**Bell Ribeiro-Addy**  
**Clive Lewis**  
**Navendu Mishra**  
**Ian Lavery**  
**Paula Barker**  
**Rachel Hopkins**

That this House notes the importance of access to Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) in efforts to stop new cases of HIV in the UK; understands PrEP is up to 100% effective at preventing HIV transmission and must be available to all groups who could benefit from it; recognises that local healthcare settings such as pharmacies and GP practices play a key role in public health and should be involved in providing access to PrEP, in particular to women who are less likely to take PrEP despite women accounting for one-third of the total population living with HIV in the UK; notes that National HIV Testing Week takes place on 1 – 7 February 2021 and ending stigma associated with HIV is vital to ensure more people come forward for a HIV test; and calls on the Government to fully implement the recommendations of the national HIV Commission, including the swift publication of the HIV Action Plan which should include measures to increase access to PrEP and provide opt-out HIV testing as standard across the NHS.

**1335 COP26 and deep coal mining in the UK**

Tabled: 11/01/21 Signatories: 2

**Barry Gardiner**  
**Clive Lewis**

That this House recognises the UK's historic responsibility as host of COP26 to lead by example on the transition to renewable energy and emissions reductions; notes the government's recent commitment to cut emissions by 68% by 2030 and to invest in low-carbon energy solutions in accordance with the advice on the Sixth Carbon Budget given by the Committee on Climate Change; and believes that the Government's refusal to call in Cumbria County Council's approval on the planning application from West Cumbria Mining for a deep coal mine in Whitehaven is a mistake of historic proportion and sends out contradictory signals about the UK's determination to achieve a strong outcome on emissions reductions as host and President of COP26 and threatens our credibility to lead the negotiations.

**1337 VAT on reusable period pants**

Tabled: 11/01/21 Signatories: 3

**Daisy Cooper**  
**Paula Barker**  
**Wendy Chamberlain**

That this House welcomes the zero VAT rating of women's menstrual products, applied from January 2021; commends the recognition that sanitary products are an essential item; regrets that one in 10 girls in the United Kingdom are unable to afford sanitary wear, resulting in detriment to their self-esteem, education and overall quality of life; recognises the sustainability and environmental benefits of reusable menstrual products such as period pants; regrets that such products will continue to attract VAT at the higher rate of 20% and will therefore remain unaffordable for many; calls for a level playing field for reusable menstrual period pants; calls for the Government to

improve access to ecological and economical period pants; and urges the Government to update the provisions of HMRC Guidance VAT Notice 701/18 to allow period pants to be zero rated.

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**1338 US President and Chinese human rights abuses**

Tabled: **11/01/21** Signatories: **2**

**Mr Gregory Campbell**  
**Gavin Robinson**

That this House notes US President-elect Joe Biden is due to be inaugurated on 20 January 2021; further notes ongoing actions of the Chinese authorities which have included the arrest of scores of democracy protestors in Hong Kong, including US citizen John Clancey a human rights lawyer, the enforced detention and brain washing of hundreds of thousands of the minority Muslim Uighur community in China as well as numerous other well documented human rights abuses; and looks forward to the new US President as the leader of the free world spelling out how he plans to co-ordinate an international response to these totally unacceptable activities.