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## Early Day Motions tabled on Wednesday 27 January 2021

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### New EDMs

#### 1412 **Motorcyclists in National Parks**

Tabled: 27/01/21 Signatories: 1

**Tim Farron**

That this House notes concerns expressed by National Park residents regarding weekend motorcyclists; further notes that everyone, including motorcyclists, should be free to safely enjoy the beautiful landscapes of National Parks; expresses concern that some motorcyclists disregard speed limits, endangering the safety of themselves and others; expresses further concern that speeding produces excessive noise pollution, disrupting the tranquillity of National Parks; recognises that those issues are particularly acute during the prime motorcycling season running from early Spring and to mid-Autumn; further recognises huge spikes in motorcycle traffic in National Parks following national covid-19 restrictions; notes that parish councils received a record number of complaints regarding motorcyclists in 2020; and urges the Government to introduce average speed cameras throughout National Parks, legislate to decrease noise pollution and increase police patrols during the peak motorcycle season.

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#### 1413 **Musicians in the EU**

Tabled: 27/01/21 Signatories: 8

**Ms Harriet Harman**  
**David Warburton**  
**Alison Thewliss**  
**Jamie Stone**  
**Caroline Lucas**  
**Kevin Brennan**

Tracy Brabin

Chris Bryant

That this House applauds the over 100 musicians who wrote to The Times on 20 January 2021 and agrees that the UK Government must immediately seek supplementary agreement with the

EU to secure the ability of all creative workers including musicians, performers, their equipment and others such as technicians to travel and earn in Europe, ensuring the economic benefit of the creative industries to the UK economy and to protect the livelihoods and essential earning opportunities to prevent those musicians from being forced out of their profession, to protect the creative benefit of musicians and others working together across Europe and to protect the important role of our brilliant conservatoires, music departments and all performance venues; recognises the vital role that musicians play in the cultural and community life of the UK; and notes that the petition launched by Tim Brennan on that matter has now exceeded a quarter of a million signatures.

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#### 1414 Covid-19 vaccine prioritisation for police staff

Tabled: 27/01/21 Signatories: 1

**Florence Eshalomi**

That this House pays tribute to the role key workers have played throughout the covid-19 pandemic; notes that in addition to health and social workers and other key workers, frontline police officers have an increased risk of exposure to covid-19, with the Metropolitan Police recently telling the London Assembly's Police and Crime Committee that there are approximately 1,700 Metropolitan Police officers and staff who are not at work due to covid-19; believes that it is right that vulnerable citizens and health and social care workers are to be prioritised for the rollout of the covid-19 vaccine; supports the call of the London Assembly's Police and Crime Committee, the Metropolitan Police and the Police Federation for England and Wales, that frontline police staff should be prioritised for the vaccine rollout in addition to health workers and other key frontline workers and as soon as the most vulnerable people have been vaccinated; and calls on the Government to amend its advice on priority groups for the covid-19 vaccination.

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#### 1415 Carstairs Welcome All Hub

Tabled: 27/01/21 Signatories: 1

**Angela Crawley**

That this house recognises the contribution that the Carstairs Welcome All Hub has made to supporting communities through the covid-19 pandemic; understands that the organisation gained charity status in March 2020 and has worked throughout the public health crisis to provide food and support to people who need it most; notes that the organisation has provided over 400 food parcels to vulnerable people in Carstairs Junction, Carstairs Village, Forth and Cleghorn, supporting around 54 families to date; further understands that the organisation has expanded its support services to assist people in navigating the social security system as well as supporting those people who have become more isolated through the covid-19 lockdown; believes that the volunteers that have made the Carstairs Welcome All Hub a lifeline for local families are community heroes; and thanks those volunteers for their selfless work throughout the covid-19 pandemic.

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#### 1416 Plan for schools to safely reopen during the covid-19 outbreak

Tabled: 27/01/21 Signatories: 3

**Munira Wilson**  
**Daisy Cooper**  
**Caroline Lucas**

That this House declares that children and their wellbeing must be at the heart of Government decision-making; recognises the negative effect that schools being closed to most pupils is having on the wellbeing and mental health of children; notes that research has shown that home-schooling

has been inconsistent across the country during lockdown, with disadvantaged children faring particularly poorly; further notes the stress and effect that schools being closed is having on parents across the country who are having to balance their work commitments with home-schooling; agrees that the best place for students is in the classroom as schools provide consistency, social interaction, stimulating learning environments and promote good health and wellbeing; urges the Government to work together with headteachers, parent bodies, unions and local authorities to urgently devise and publish a plan to reduce covid-19 transmission in schools so that all children can return to school as soon as the circumstances safely allow it; further urges the Government to consider as part of that plan increasing capacity for physical learning, rota systems as seen in other countries, staggered returns and other safety measures; and requests that the Government considers placing teachers on the priority list for covid-19 vaccination after the key vulnerable groups have been vaccinated.

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### 1417 **Healthy Homes Act**

Tabled: **27/01/21** Signatories: **2**

**Dan Carden**  
**Ian Byrne**

That this House welcomes the campaign by the Town & Country Planning Association (TCPA) for a Healthy Homes Act which would require all new homes and neighbourhoods to be of decent quality and outlaw those which undermine residents' health and wellbeing; recognises that too many people suffer in poor quality, even dangerous, homes; resolves to stop building the slums of the future; and urges the Government to insert the TCPA's healthy homes principles into the Building Safety Bill or future planning reform legislation to ensure lasting change that would benefit people's health, reduce costs to the NHS and social care budget and simplify the regulatory landscape.

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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.

### 1348 **Seafood exports to the EU**

Tabled: **13/01/21** Signatories: **19**

**Angela Crawley**  
**Drew Hendry**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Joanna Cherry**  
**Mohammad Yasin**

John McDonnell

That this House notes the additional costs incurred by seafood exporters as a result of Brexit; understands that businesses are now required to meet a number of additional safety standards to transport goods into the European single market; notes the additional administrative burden on exporters alongside the time delay has cost companies in lost contracts, reduced prices for produce, extra costs to meet safety requirements and lost custom; notes that this is compounded by Covid-19 restrictions and additional testing required for drivers to cross the channel; acknowledges commitments from the Government prior to the end of the transition period that exporters would

not face disruption as a result of Brexit; believes that leaving the single market and customs union has resulted in exporters losing income at an already challenging time; understands that as a result of the additional logistical challenges, DFDS, a large fish haulage company with bases across the UK, has suspended groupage transportation indefinitely; calls on the UK Government to ensure compensation for seafood exporters that have lost substantially as a result of Brexit and to continue negotiations with the EU to ensure the overly restrictive process is streamlined.

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**1356 Death of Adnan Miyasar, founder member of Fife Arabic Society**

Tabled: **14/01/21** Signatories: **16**

**Peter Grant**  
**Neale Hanvey**  
**Anne McLaughlin**  
**Alison Thewliss**  
**John Nicolson**  
**Chris Stephens**

John McDonnell

That this House records its sadness at the death of Adnan Miyasar of Kirkcaldy; expresses its appreciation of his decades of service towards race relations in his adopted home of Fife, in particular through the work of Fife Arabic Society which he helped to found in 2000, as a former chair of FRAE Fife (Fairness, Race Awareness & Equality), and as an active volunteer with several other organisations; commends the work of Fife Arabic Society in fostering community relations in Fife and further afield; notes in particular the Society's key role in supporting Syrian refugees who have been welcomed into Fife; recognises the pain felt by Adnan's family at being unable to spend more time with him during his lengthy illness; and offers its deepest condolences to those who mourn his loss.

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**1359 Statutory Sick Pay uplift**

Tabled: **14/01/21** Signatories: **19**

**Liz Saville Roberts**  
**Claudia Webbe**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Mohammad Yasin**  
**Patricia Gibson**

John McDonnell

That this Houses notes that Statutory Sick Pay is currently £95.85 per week, which is one of the lowest rates in Europe; further notes that this is approximately 19 per cent of average UK weekly earnings; expresses concern at research conducted on behalf of the TUC which suggests that approximately one fifth of workers forced to self-isolate during the covid-19 outbreak and unable to work from home have received no sick pay or wages; recognises that ensuring workers have the financial support necessary to self-isolate is vital for the effectiveness of the test, trace and isolate system; further recognises that Wales has been under full lockdown since 20 December 2020; is concerned that the UK Government has yet to confirm the continuation of the universal credit uplift; and calls on the Government to immediately increase Statutory Sick Pay to the level of the Real Living Wage and commit to the continuation of the universal credit uplift.

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**1361 Access to cash during the covid-19 outbreak**

Tabled: 14/01/21 Signatories: 23

**Jamie Stone**  
**Margaret Ferrier**  
**Owen Thompson**  
**Patricia Gibson**  
**Mr Alistair Carmichael**  
**Hywel Williams**

John McDonnell

That this House commends the LINK commitment to replace all free-to-use ATMs within their network during the covid-19 pandemic; in addition acknowledges that cuts to the interchange fee have led to the closure of thousands of free-to-use ATMs; notes that this has affected rural communities most profoundly as alternative sources of cash demand a consumer-met fee or are bound by the closing hours of stores or post offices; further notes that this disproportionately affects the vulnerable and older populations who are increasingly becoming excluded from their local economies as long-distance travel for cash or the use of digital monies is unviable; and calls on the Government to work with the Payment Systems Regulator and Financial Conduct Authority to devise a tiered or zoned interchange fee to ensure that ATM infrastructure funding is distributed fairly throughout the UK and protects ATMs in all communities, despite their population and withdrawal volume levels.

**1362 Sight loss helpline**

Tabled: 14/01/21 Signatories: 13

**Owen Thompson**  
**Steven Bonnar**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Marion Fellows**  
**Patricia Gibson**  
**Anne McLaughlin**

John McDonnell

That this House welcomes the launch of a new helpline providing support to people with sight loss and their families in the Lothians; notes that the helpline is part of Sight Scotland's new Family Wellbeing Service, which aims to tackle an identified gap in support as the charity reaches out to even more people affected by sight loss in Scotland; and encourages people affected by sight loss, as well as carers, friends and families who have a loved one affected by sight loss to contact that helpline.

**1363 Godfrey Colin Cameron**

Tabled: 14/01/21 Signatories: 138

**Chris Stephens [R]**  
**Grahame Morris**  
**John McDonnell**  
**Rachel Hopkins**  
**Paula Barker**  
**Bell Ribeiro-Addy**

Ellie Reeves

Paul Blomfield

That this House is deeply saddened by news of the death of Godfrey Colin Cameron, a hardworking member of Parliamentary security staff and member of the PCS trade union who passed away aged just 55 after contracting covid-19; extends our sincere condolences to his devoted wife Hyacinth, children Leon and Renee, his sisters Arlene and Cynthia, his brother, Carlton, and fellow members of the PCS; notes that Godfrey was a private man who showed selfless care for the others, hoped to retire to his late parents' homeland of Jamaica and was a fanatical fan of Liverpool FC; sends our deepest sympathies to all those who knew and worked with Godfrey, and our heartfelt thanks for the contribution of all those workers who have continued to serve the public during this public health crisis, and calls on the House authorities to work with trade union representatives to undertake an updated risk assessment in relation to health and safety on the Parliamentary estate, and take all appropriate measures to help keep staff safe.

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**1365 Fuel poverty (No. 2)**

Tabled: 18/01/21 Signatories: 30

**Kim Johnson**  
**Claudia Webbe**  
**Rachel Hopkins**  
**Paula Barker**  
**Mick Whitley**  
**Navendu Mishra**

John McDonnell

That this House notes that recent research from the Citizens Advice Bureau has identified that more than 2 million households are behind on their energy payments, with a quarter of all energy customers worried that they won't be able to pay their bill this winter; further notes that before the pandemic 1 in 10 households in the UK were already living in fuel poverty; notes that during the last lockdown energy bills soared by an estimated 37 per cent, and that this lockdown they will likely go higher due to winter weather; further notes that children in low income families are faced with additional barriers to their education by studying in freezing homes as parents struggle with the financial burdens of round the clock fuel bills; and calls on the Government to offer immediate debt relief to all households most in need by extending the winter fuel payment to all families receiving Universal Credit and on furlough during the lockdown, and to commit to permanently extending the £20 Universal Credit uplift.

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**1367 Leicester's garment industry**

Tabled: 18/01/21 Signatories: 22

**Claudia Webbe**  
**Apsana Begum**  
**Richard Burgon**  
**Lloyd Russell-Moyle**  
**Kate Osborne**  
**Zarah Sultana**

John McDonnell

That this House is appalled by the resurgence of attention on the scandal of workplace exploitation and failure to pay the national minimum wage in Leicester's garment industry; expresses alarm that successive governments have been aware of this exploitation for over a decade yet have failed to act; is concerned that little action has been taken in 2020 to protect workers in Leicester's garment industry; calls on Boohoo and other large garment corporations to sign the Transparency Pledge, end the race to the bottom in its supply chain and recompense underpaid workers; is shocked by The British Retail Consortium's estimation that workers in Leicester's apparel manufacturing are underpaid a total of £2.1 million per week; calls on HMRC to investigate the extent of money laundering and VAT fraud within the sector; urges the government to reverse the underfunding of regulatory institutions including HMRC, the HSE and local authorities; further urges the government to introduce legislation to regulate the fashion retailer purchasing practices; calls for the GLAA to establish a firewall between immigration enforcement and employment rights enforcement; recognises that Trade Unions are the best line of defence against workplace exploitation and the need for unions to be granted access to workplaces, be involved in labour market inspections and for the scope of collective bargaining rights to be widened; and calls on private companies, regulatory bodies and the Government to begin approaching this crisis with the ambition and urgency it demands.

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**1371 Commemoration of the 31st year of the genocide of Hindus (Kashmiri Pandits) from Jammu and Kashmir, India**

Tabled: 18/01/21 Signatories: 5

**Bob Blackman**  
**Mr Virendra Sharma**  
**Sir Mike Penning**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**John McDonnell**

That this House commemorates with deep sadness and disappointment, the 31st anniversary of the attack in January 1990 by cross-border Islamic militants on the population of Jammu and Kashmir; expresses its condolences to the families and friends of all those who were killed, raped and injured in this massacre; condemns the desecration of the holiest sites in Jammu and Kashmir; is concerned that the Kashmiris who fled persecution have still not seen justice for the atrocities committed against them; commends the resilience and courage shown by the members of Kashmiri Pandit community who survived this gruesome ethnic genocide and who did not resort to taking up arms but instead pursued education and aspiration; deplores those sponsoring such cross-border terrorist attacks and demands that such attacks cease immediately; further notes that the international principle of the responsibility to protect obliges individual states and the international community to take effective measures to prevent the commission of genocide and crimes against humanity as suffered by the Kashmiri Hindu community; and urges the Government of India to fulfil its long-standing international commitment to recognise and acknowledge the worst form of genocide of Hindus in Jammu and Kashmir and enact the proposed Panun Kashmir Genocide Crime Punishment

and Atrocities Prevention Bill in the Indian Parliament, therefore delivering the long awaited justice for the Kashmiri Pandits in exile.

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### 1372 UK citizenship for the Windrush generation

Tabled: 18/01/21 Signatories: 37

**Dawn Butler**  
**Claudia Webbe**  
**Carol Monaghan**  
**Zarah Sultana**  
**Kate Osborne**  
**Margaret Ferrier**

John McDonnell

That this House deplores the Home Office's treatment of those of the Windrush Generation and their families; notes that many residents through no fault of their own still await the restoration of citizenship; further notes that many are still waiting for compensation for the actions made by the Home Office such as the destruction of landing cards; notes that due to these mistakes many of the Windrush Generation have been unfairly deported or detained, lost employment, denied access to the NHS and refused re-entry to the UK; and calls on the Government to immediately reinstate citizenship to all UK residents of the Windrush Generation, whilst their cases are ongoing, in order for them to access the basic fundamental services they had previously.

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### 1374 Reduction of the Small Brewers Relief

Tabled: 18/01/21 Signatories: 21

**Olivia Blake**  
**Claudia Webbe**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Rachel Hopkins**  
**Navendu Mishra**  
**Ian Lavery**

John McDonnell

That this House believes the proposed reduction in Small Brewers Relief for brewers below 5,000 hectolitres and the introduction of a cash basis will be disastrous for Britain's internationally renowned craft brewery industry; notes that the introduction of Small Brewers Relief in 2002, designed to enable small breweries to compete with multinationals to compensate for a lack of market access and to encourage diversity in a heavily monopolised market, led to a flourishing, hugely successful, diverse and exciting British industry; further believes that this proposal risks undoing all the benefits of Small Brewers Relief over the last two decades and could be the death knell for the industry; recognises that this will threaten thousands of jobs, a national industry of great value and consumer choice; is deeply concerned that this will add to the already enormous pressures the industry is facing, recognising that due to the covid-19 outbreak and its impact on the closely related industry of hospitality, beer sales have fallen by 80 per cent and two small breweries are going out of business every week; finds it shocking that the Government's technical consultation on Small Brewers Relief fails to take into account the tremendous impact of covid-19 on the industry; is concerned that the Treasury itself acknowledges that there are significant issues in how production cost data was gathered; and believes that, if the problem identified in the consultation is the challenges faced by medium sized brewers in a market dominated by multinationals, legislation that makes it harder for small brewers to compete is not a solution to this.

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**1376 UK-EU travel for touring musicians and performers**

Tabled: 19/01/21 Signatories: 16

**Neale Hanvey**  
**Ronnie Cowan**  
**Chris Law**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Alison Thewliss**  
**Allan Dorans**

John McDonnell

That this House condemns the UK Government's failure to secure reciprocal visa-free and frictionless UK/EU travel for touring musicians and performers as part of the Brexit negotiations; notes that such artists have suffered significantly this year as work, touring and related income has largely ceased due to Covid-19; acknowledges the impact already being felt by small bands including the collapse of reciprocal tours by Fife band, Aye Hobos, German band, The Berlin Blackouts and many others; recognises the creation of such barriers, additional costs and bureaucracy will negatively impact the sector's recovery; further recognises the implications this failure has for performers from the EU, who will also be required to obtain costly visas, provide proof of savings and to provide evidence of sponsorship from an event organiser to perform in the UK; registers the risk to Scotland's international reputation as an open, welcoming and outward looking country by stymying our world-leading festivals ability to attract international guests; and calls on the UK Government to negotiate reciprocal visa-free travel between the UK and EU for touring musicians and performers as a matter of urgency.

**1377 Pride of Scotland Award for Community Heroes: Bute community and Syrian refugees**

Tabled: 19/01/21 Signatories: 10

**Brendan O'Hara**  
**Drew Hendry**  
**Chris Law**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Alison Thewliss**  
**Allan Dorans**

John McDonnell

That this House congratulates the community of Bute on winning the TSB Community Heroes award at the Pride of Scotland awards 2020, for the support and kindness shown to Syrian refugees fleeing their war torn country and seeking to make a new life in Scotland; recognises that the people of Bute opened their hearts to the Syrian families, many of who were suffering from trauma and had to flee with little or no possessions, by providing them with both emotional and practical support throughout; acknowledges the vital role played by Argyll and Bute Council's Refugee Resettlement Group in coordinating an island wide, multi-agency response to integrate the Syrian families into the local community; recognises that many Syrian families are now happy and settled on the island with some running their own successful businesses, others finding employment in local industries and young people attending local schools before moving on to further and higher education; recognises that the people of Bute have led the way in demonstrating that people from different cultures living together serves only to enrich a community; and calls on the UK government to look to Bute as a positive, shining example of what can happen when a community comes together to provide refuge to people whose lives are in danger in their own country.

**1383 Free school meals and child poverty**

Tabled: 20/01/21 Signatories: 16

**Patricia Gibson**  
**Claudia Webbe**  
**Steven Bonnar**  
**Alyn Smith**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Chris Stephens**

John McDonnell

That this House recognises the important role that healthy, nutritious meals play in supporting a child's education and the need to ensure that these meals continue to be available to children throughout the covid-19 pandemic; asserts that access to free school meal provision is an essential tool in tackling the attainment gap and supporting children's learning; notes that many children do not grow up in environments conducive to covid-19 lockdown learning, with overcrowded accommodation, limited access to the internet and other resources, and a lack of access to nutritious food, impacting on their ability to concentrate and learn effectively; welcomes the recent announcement by the Scottish Government that, from August 2022, Scotland will be the first nation in the UK to provide free school meals to all children in primary schools and is committed to using its limited powers to tackle the scourge of child poverty, with measures such as the introduction of the Scottish Child Payment, described by the Scottish Child Poverty Action Group as a game-changer in tackling child poverty; realises that while the provision of free school meals is an important tool in tackling child hunger, it must be part of a wider plan to tackle child poverty, to ensure that every child is able to realise their full potential; and calls on the UK Government to publish a Child Poverty Action Plan to finally combat the shameful fact that around 30 per cent of children in the UK live in poverty.

**1385 Universal credit uplift**

Tabled: 20/01/21 Signatories: 20

**Patricia Gibson**  
**Steven Bonnar**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Alyn Smith**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Kenny MacAskill**

John McDonnell

That this House recognises the profound impact that the covid-19 pandemic has had on the economy and the labour market, forcing many to rely on welfare benefits to survive at this difficult time; notes the importance that the temporary uplift to universal credit of £20 per week has played in providing a lifeline for those struggling financially and registers its deep concern at plans to remove this vital support; further notes that the Joseph Rowntree Foundation has estimated that if this temporary uplift is withdrawn, it will remove over £1000 a year from 6 million households, reducing the incomes of the bottom fifth of the population by 7 per cent overnight; understands that this will leave many unable to afford basic necessities such as housing costs, food and heating; recognises that after a four year benefit freeze, as well as the numerous challenges posed by the universal credit system, such as the five-week wait before payments are made, have created huge pressure on the budgets of the most vulnerable, leaving many trapped in debt and despair; and calls on the Government to end the uncertainty faced by millions of households and ensure that this temporary uplift in universal credit is made permanent to avoid a financial cliff-edge for claimants

at the end of March 2021 and to commit to a longer term strategy to tackle the shameful levels of poverty across the UK.

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**1386 Covid-19 vaccination of Palestinians in the occupied territories**

Tabled: **20/01/21** Signatories: **23**

**Nadia Whittome**  
**Claudia Webbe**  
**Sarah Owen**  
**Bell Ribeiro-Addy**  
**Kate Osborne**  
**Zarah Sultana**

Jonathan Edwards

John McDonnell

That this House notes that after more than 53 years of occupation, Israeli authorities have an obligation to fully respect the human rights of Palestinians in the occupied territories, including their right to health; notes the Israeli government's duties under the Fourth Geneva Convention to ensure medical supplies, including to combat the spread of pandemics, within occupied territories; notes that the United Nations has confirmed that the Israeli government is legally obliged to protect the right to health and other rights of the populations in the occupied territories; notes concerns raised by a number of human rights organisations and the World Health Organisation regarding the Israeli government's lack of action in vaccinating Palestinians in the occupied territories; expresses alarm at the unjust and stark contrast between Israeli citizens, including settlers in the West Bank, who are receiving Covid-19 vaccinations at one of the most rapid rates in the world and the unprotected and vulnerable state of Palestinians in the occupied territories who will not begin to receive the vaccine for several months; and urges the British government to use all diplomatic and foreign aid routes to address this disparity and uphold the human rights of the 4.5 million people living in the occupied territories.

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**1387 Workers' rights**

Tabled: **20/01/21** Signatories: **20**

**Liz Saville Roberts**  
**Chris Stephens**  
**Claire Hanna**  
**Clive Lewis**  
**Stephen Farry**  
**Caroline Lucas**

John McDonnell

This House expresses deep concern over the Government's decision to review the "working time directive" implemented by the Working Time Regulations 1998; notes that amongst other achievements the Directive gave UK workers a statutory right to paid annual leave for the first time; further notes that the Government is yet to present its promised Employment Bill to enshrine EU employment law in the UK post-transition; and calls on the Government to present its new Employment Bill to honour its pledge made in the Queen's speech that workers' rights would be "protected and enhanced".

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**1388 Plastic waste exports**Tabled: **21/01/21** Signatories: **13**

**Sarah Olney**  
**Hywel Williams**  
**Ben Lake**  
**Liz Saville Roberts**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Mike Hill**

Tim Farron

That this House notes that UK exports of unsorted plastic waste to non-OECD countries are allowed when given prior informed consent; further notes that from 1 January 2021, the EU no longer allows that practice; recognises that a ban on plastic exports outside of developed countries was a commitment in the 2019 Conservative Party Manifesto; and is concerned that continuation of global trade in plastics could mean the UK exports plastic waste to lower income countries instead of taking responsibility for its own refuse.

**1389 Support for British Gas workers**Tabled: **25/01/21** Signatories: **13**

**Nadia Whittome**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Paula Barker**  
**Rachel Hopkins**  
**Dawn Butler**  
**Navendu Mishra**

Claudia Webbe  
 Bell Ribeiro-Addy

Steven Bonnar

John McDonnell

That this House condemns the actions of British Gas in pursuing fire and re-hire tactics with loyal and hard-working staff; expresses support and solidarity with British Gas workers who have been forced to strike following British Gas pushing ahead with plans that have been rejected by 86 per cent of GMB members working as engineers; notes that the proposed changes will mean that a number of workers will be expected to work approximately 150 hours extra per year for no guarantee of extra pay; expresses regret that a once respected and trusted brand is doing damage to its reputation by pursuing fire and re-hire tactics; urges British Gas to recognise that the only way to end the disruption is to take fire and rehire pay cuts off the table; notes with alarm the growing number of employers who are making employees redundant before re-employing them on less-favourable terms and conditions; believes that these employers should instead be focused on supporting their employees through the covid-19 outbreak; and calls on the Government to take urgent action to stop the growing number of firms taking part in this unethical and unjust practice, for example by amending the Employment Rights Act 1996 to automatically categorise such redundancies as unfair dismissals.

**1390 Democracy, human rights and the detention of Alexei Navalny in Russia**

Tabled: 25/01/21 Signatories: 20

**Layla Moran**  
**Stephen Farry**  
**Sammy Wilson**  
**Andrew Rosindell**  
**Clive Lewis**  
**Gavin Newlands**

Jim Shannon

Jonathan Edwards

John McDonnell

That this House condemns the arrest and detention of Alexei Navalny by the Russian Federation; further condemns the reported arrest, detention and beating of thousands of protestors and journalists across Russia in the last week; notes that over 3,500 Russians have so far been detained following nationwide protests across the country according to monitors; further notes that at least 40,000 people participated in a rally in Moscow on 23 January 2021 according to Reuters estimates, with over 100,000 estimated to have taken part nationwide; expresses its solidarity and support for the protestors, journalists and the Russian people; acknowledges that widespread human rights abuses are being committed in Russia by police, security services and the state; further acknowledges that under the Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Act 2018 a Minister may make sanctions regulations where it would provide accountability for or be a deterrent to gross violations of human rights, or otherwise promote compliance with international human rights law, or respect for human rights, or promote respect for democracy, the rule of law and good governance; calls on the Government to condemn the actions of the Russian Federation and its security apparatus in the strongest terms; further calls on the Government to use the aforementioned powers in the Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Act 2018 to rapidly impose sanctions on individuals responsible for ordering, conducting and aiding human rights abuses against peaceful protestors, journalists, citizens and opposition politicians in Russia; and reaffirms its support for democracy, freedom of speech and expression.

**1391 Support for early years providers**

Tabled: 25/01/21 Signatories: 3

**Mr Barry Sheerman**  
**Claudia Webbe**  
**John McDonnell**

That this House recognises the hard work and dedication of early years providers across the country and the difficulties that they have faced throughout the covid-19 outbreak; notes the financial hardship that the early years sector has faced prior to the covid-19 outbreak; calls on the Government to publish the data which informed their decision to keep early years settings open fully throughout the third national lockdown; further recognises that reduced numbers of children attending nursery throughout the outbreak intensifies the need for urgent financial support; calls on the Government to make a sustainable financial package available; and further calls on the Government to review regularly and thoroughly the safety of early years providers and to pledge to act where lives and livelihoods are at risk.

**1392 Pet Passport Scheme**

Tabled: 25/01/21 Signatories: 4

**Liz Saville Roberts**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Paul Girvan**

That this House notes with regret that the Government did not secure Part 1 Listed Status under the EU Pet Passport scheme as part of the UK–EU Trade and Cooperation Agreement; recognises that as a result, the owners of cats, dogs and ferrets wishing to travel from Wales, Scotland and England to Northern Ireland or the EU are now required to have an Animal Health Certificate; understands that this additional barrier to travel is particularly concerning for assistance dog owners; and calls on the Government to do everything within its power to secure Part 1 listed status under that EU scheme.

**1393 Third anniversary of the KickStart Money programme**

Tabled: 25/01/21 Signatories: 6

**Dr Lisa Cameron**  
**Mr Virendra Sharma**  
**Bob Blackman**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**David Linden**

That this House recognises the importance of financial education for children and young people to equip them to navigate future financial responsibilities, risks and economic shocks; emphasises the need for financial education for children at a primary school level to install positive habits and attitudes towards money when those habits are first formed; welcomes the work of KickStart Money and MyBnk in providing free financial education to almost 19,000 primary school pupils in three years in addition to online and virtual provision during a time of covid-19 restrictions; and encourages the Department for Education to produce a strategy to ensure that every child receives a high-quality and effective financial education.

**1395 The gender pension gap**

Tabled: 25/01/21 Signatories: 6

**Patricia Gibson**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Paula Barker**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**John McDonnell**

That this House expresses concern about the gender pension gap which stands at around 40.3 per cent, more than twice the gender pay gap of 17.3 per cent, representing a differential in pension income of around £7,500 a year; understands that women's lower average lifetime earnings, as well as the increased likelihood of their taking breaks from paid employment or reducing working hours, often to undertake caring responsibilities, directly reduces their retirement earnings, increasing the likelihood of later-life poverty; recognises the effect of the speed of state pension age equalisation which meant many women had insufficient time to prepare for retirement; notes that the State Pension triple lock does not apply to pension credit, discriminating against the oldest and poorest pensioners, who are disproportionately women; is perturbed by the ongoing anomaly created by the inflexibility of the National Insurance system which excludes those, disproportionately women, who may have several jobs but which fall below the Lower Earnings Threshold, and so do not

receive any credit for their State Pension; is alarmed that anyone earning less than £10,000 a year, mostly women, is not automatically enrolled into a pension and will not therefore benefit from their employers' contributions; is aware that lower lifetime earnings mean lower private pensions and that women were often forced to leave company pensions if they married or worked part-time and tended to work in occupations where employer pensions were less prevalent; and calls for urgent measures from the Government to boost women's pension income.

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### 1396 Connor Golabek 7 marathons in 7 days for Highland Hospice

Tabled: 25/01/21 Signatories: 3

**Drew Hendry**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Jim Shannon**

That this House commends Glenurquhart Shinty Club's Connor Golabek on his goal to run seven marathons in seven days in order to raise money for the Highland Hospice; notes that Connor has been volunteering with the Highland Hospice since December 2020 and wanted to raise money for them in response to the effect that the covid-19 outbreak has had on their ability to carry out their annual fundraisers; highlights the fantastic work that the Highland Hospice does to provide specialist care to those who need it; and notes that people are still able to make donations to the Highland Hospice.

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### 1397 Covid-19 outbreaks at DVLA offices

Tabled: 25/01/21 Signatories: 8

**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Ben Lake**  
**Paula Barker**  
**Rachel Hopkins**  
**Claudia Webbe**  
**Tonia Antoniazzi**

Jim Shannon

John McDonnell

That this House recognises that more than 500 cases of covid-19 have been recorded at the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency's offices in Swansea since the start of the outbreak; further notes that on 21 December 2020, a covid-19 outbreak was officially declared at the UK vehicle licensing agency's contact centre at Swansea Vale in Llansamlet by Public Health Wales; is concerned at reports that staff with symptoms were encouraged to return to work and that vulnerable workers were denied requests to work from home; is troubled at reports that a complaint to Public Health Wales' outbreak control team indicates that staff were asked to turn off their NHS Test and Trace apps; calls on the Government to urgently ensure that all DVLA staff have safe working environments; and further calls on the Secretary of State for Transport to clarify whether the DVLA offices in Swansea are compliant with public health guidance and legislation put in place by the Welsh Government to ensure workers' safety during the covid-19 outbreak.

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**1398 Access to PrEP for Black communities**

Tabled: 25/01/21 Signatories: 7

**Bell Ribeiro-Addy**  
**Paula Barker**  
**Rachel Hopkins**  
**Ian Lavery**  
**Claudia Webbe**  
**Jim Shannon**

John McDonnell

That this House is concerned that there is inequitable access for all who need access to the HIV prevention pill pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP); notes that PrEP is highly effective at stopping HIV and extremely cost-effective when compared with a lifetime of HIV treatment; further notes that in the UK, Black African men and women are the second-largest group affected by HIV; recognises that there was disappointingly low coverage of access to PrEP on the Impact trial for women and Black communities; is aware that the routine commissioning of PrEP has focused on providing access to individuals previously on the Impact trial; calls on local commissioners and councils to provide equitable access to all high-risk individuals who need access to PrEP; further calls on the Government to increase funding for PrEP in 2021; and urges local public health teams to improve knowledge about PrEP among Black communities.

**1399 Yemeni human rights and Saudi arms sales**

Tabled: 25/01/21 Signatories: 11

**Jeremy Corbyn**  
**Margaret Ferrier**  
**Caroline Lucas**  
**John McDonnell**  
**Apsana Begum**  
**Claudia Webbe**

Mary Kelly Foy

Bell Ribeiro-Addy

That this House notes the continued disaster of the war on Yemen which has helped create what the UN has designated the worst humanitarian catastrophe anywhere in the world, threatening the lives of millions of Yemenis; further notes that the Government continues to allow arms sales to Saudi Arabia, the main foreign protagonist of the war, and continues to provide logistical support to Saudi forces in Yemen; recognises that new US president Joe Biden has committed to ending US support for the war; and calls upon the Government to end all support for the war and suspend all arms sales to Saudi Arabia immediately.

**1400 Postponement of the National Eisteddfod of Wales 2021**

Tabled: 26/01/21 Signatories: 5

**Ben Lake**  
**Liz Saville Roberts**  
**Hywel Williams**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Jonathan Edwards**

That this House notes with sadness the unavoidable and sensible postponement of the National Eisteddfod of Wales in Ceredigion until 2022 due to the covid-19 pandemic; expresses deep concern about the incredibly difficult financial situation this poses for the festival organisers and for staff who are now at risk of redundancy; asks the UK Government what financial assistance it can provide



to help support Wales' premiere cultural festival; commends the ongoing work of the Eisteddfod AmGen for providing alternative ways for people across Wales to celebrate the Eisteddfod during the pandemic; and looks forward to people coming together in-person for Eisteddfod 2022.

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#### 1401 The President of the Russian Federation

Tabled: 26/01/21 Signatories: 5

**Jim Shannon**  
**Paul Girvan**  
**Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**John McDonnell**

That this House notes the actions of the President of the Russian Federation against those who seek to support the jailed opposition leader Alexei Navalny in the form of peaceful protests in the streets of Moscow and other cities throughout Russia; calls upon the Government to use diplomatic means to encourage the Russian government to allow protesters the right to gather peacefully and express their views; and further calls for those who have been arrested to be released without charge.

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#### 1402 Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights including Abortion Services

Tabled: 26/01/21 Signatories: 2

**Mr Virendra Sharma**  
**John McDonnell**

This House calls on the President of the United States of America to protect and expand Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) including abortion access globally in the first days of his presidency; notes that as the country's first pro-choice catholic president he has consistently connected his care for the poor, the sick and the vulnerable to his catholic faith and is a long-term champion of women's rights and the rights of marginalised people; welcomes his support in opposing policies like the Global Gag Rule, the Hyde Amendment and the Helms Amendment that inflict disproportionate suffering on the poorest of the poor, those afflicted by illness related to reproductive health, and those in rural areas with limited resources and those who find themselves in communities of profound powerlessness; urges support in overturning these policies as a matter of life and death for countless women and girls around the world; recommends that investing in SRHR saves lives, enables women and girls to participate equally in economic and social activity and makes it possible for families to break the spiral of poverty; and recognises universal access to SRHR including abortion services ensures a more prosperous and sustainable future for all of us.

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#### 1403 Student rent strikers

Tabled: 26/01/21 Signatories: 16

**Zarah Sultana**  
**Claudia Webbe**  
**Paula Barker**  
**Kate Osborne**  
**John McDonnell**  
**Apsana Begum**

Ms Diane Abbott  
 Ian Byrne

Dan Carden  
 Richard Burgon

Bell Ribeiro-Addy  
 Ian Lavery

Grahame Morris  
Mick Whitley

Ian Mearns

Mary Kelly Foy

That this House congratulates student rent strikers demanding rent refunds, cuts and contract releases at more than 50 universities; notes that this is the biggest nationwide student tenant action in 40 years; further notes the housing system is organised in the interests of landlords and against tenants; welcomes the concessions won by rent strikes at a number of universities; recognises the appalling treatment of students by university managements and the government; highlights that the marketisation of higher education system puts rents and fees before the education and welfare of students and staff; calls on universities and the government to meet the demands of rent strikers; and urges the Government to abolish fees, cancel student debt, introduce living grants for working class students, guarantee adequate mental health support for students and introduce a system of public funding and democratic governance of higher education institutions.

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#### 1404 Travel rights for workers in the media and creative industries

Tabled: 26/01/21 Signatories: 19

Grahame Morris  
John McDonnell  
Chris Stephens  
Rebecca Long Bailey  
Liz Saville Roberts  
Claudia Webbe

Jim Shannon  
Mike Hill  
Kim Johnson  
Alan Brown  
Jeremy Corbyn

Jonathan Edwards  
Ms Diane Abbott  
Andy Slaughter  
Bell Ribeiro-Addy

Paula Barker  
Kenny MacAskill  
Ian Mearns  
Wera Hobhouse

That this House is deeply disturbed to hear that proposals made during the Brexit negotiations which would have offered special travel rights for the creative workforce represented by the Federation of Entertainment Unions (FEU) were turned down; notes that the creative industries are one of the fastest-growing parts of the UK economy worth more than £111bn; believes that the arts and media do not exist within borders and the lack of an agreement on this matter will severely hamper the ability of creatives to continue to carry out business and collaboration with EU states; further notes that the creative industries have been devastated by the pandemic and the understands that failure to agree a deal that would have played an important role in revitalising the arts is therefore a major blow; appreciates that media organisations need the capacity to react quickly when following news and investigative stories and not get bogged down with costly or time-consuming bureaucracy; joins the FEU in asking the UK government to review its position, and also supports their call for the government to reverse its decision to scrap its £12m funding of England's Union Learning Fund which supports more 200,000 learners in workplaces across England and importantly offers one of the very few opportunities for freelancers to have access to free training, professional development and acquire business skills.

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**1405 Holocaust Memorial Day**

Tabled: 26/01/21 Signatories: 9

**Jim Shannon**  
**Claudia Webbe**  
**Steven Bonnar**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Paul Girvan**  
**Jonathan Edwards**

Paula Barker

John McDonnell

Sir Mike Penning

That this House notes Holocaust Memorial Day; further acknowledges the impact that the Holocaust still has upon this world with rising antisemitism remaining a threat to Jewish people around the globe; recognises the need to preserve the remembrance of these dreadful acts against humanity; reaffirms our commitment to appropriate remembrance and dedication to educating our children and grandchildren to know the truth about this genocide; and expresses again our deep sorrow to those who survived and still mourn their dead and understands the steps that must be taken to ensure that such atrocities do not take place ever again.

**1406 Compass School Collects for Food Bank**

Tabled: 26/01/21 Signatories: 4

**Kenny MacAskill**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Steven Bonnar**  
**Allan Dorans**

That this House congratulates the efforts of pupils at the Compass School in Haddington in collecting donations for East Lothian Foodbank's 'reverse advent calendar' scheme; notes the scheme was put in place in response to requests from the food bank to help ensure families had a Christmas Dinner and were supported at this difficult time of year; and echoes the words of headteacher Mark Becher by thanking everyone for their kindness and generosity.

**1407 1st North Brownies Turn 100**

Tabled: 26/01/21 Signatories: 3

**Kenny MacAskill**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Allan Dorans**

That this house congratulates 1st North Berwick Brownies on 100 years since their incorporation; notes that former members are contributing photos and memories for a special book to be published; and notes the comments of Alison Bell, Guider-in-charge, who said that the Brownies were super excited to see the unit's original certificate so we thought it would be good to have something for future generations.

**1408 Dunbar Traditional Skills Grant Award**

Tabled: 26/01/21 Signatories: 3

**Kenny MacAskill**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Allan Dorans**

That this House congratulates the Ridge Foundations CIC on its receipt of an award from Historic Environment Scotland; notes that the £34,000 award will go towards delivering training in traditional skills to support the conservation of historic buildings in the Dunbar Conservation area; and applauds the support for modern apprenticeships and boosting skills amongst school children, as well as helping to preserve the built heritage of the Dunbar Conservation area.

**1409 Sofia Hill raises money for the homeless**

Tabled: 26/01/21 Signatories: 3

**Kenny MacAskill**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Allan Dorans**

That this House applauds the determination and kindness of Sofia Hill from from Tranent who has raised hundreds of pounds for Steps to Hope, a charity supporting the homeless, notes that Sofia sold reindeer food which she made herself, and successfully raised over £450, and echoes the comments of Richard Roncero, founder of Steps for Hope who remarked that Sofia worked really hard and raised a lot of money and it will go towards things like housing and getting people rehabilitated.

**1410 Haddington Care Home walks for charity**

Tabled: 26/01/21 Signatories: 4

**Kenny MacAskill**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Neale Hanvey**

That this House applauds the residents of Haddington Care Home who raised £1500 in less than a fortnight by walking 1515 laps, notes that the money raised will go towards the purchase of a defibrillator, and recognises that their passion for fundraising has been sparked as they continue to raise money for the Care Home's Welfare Fund and East Lothian Foodbank.

**1411 Longniddry and District Rotary Awards**

Tabled: 26/01/21 Signatories: 3

**Kenny MacAskill**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Allan Dorans**

That this House congratulates Elaine Clark, John Hall, Bryan Hickman, Abigail Morrison, Brian Weddell & Debbie Reynolds, who have all received awards from the Longniddry and District Rotary Club in recognition of their contribution and efforts in supporting communities throughout the lockdown, and notes that they were involved in diverse activities such as making face masks and designing and manufacturing PPE, supporting the local Resilience Groups in Prestonpans and Longniddry, and support for the charity: Children's Hospices Across Scotland.