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New EDMs

671 **First Bus and Together for our Planet Event**

Tabled: 19/11/21 Signatories: 1

Alison Thewliss

That this House congratulates First Bus on its successful hosting of the official COP26 electric vehicle charging site at its Caledonia Depot, the largest charging station for electric vehicles in the UK; notes that international and delegates from across the UK visited throughout COP26 to discuss the future of sustainable energy and transport; recognises that the event was held in partnership with Hitachi and Octopus Energy, who partner with First Bus on sustainable transport, energy and infrastructure; welcomes First Bus's contribution of electric bus shuttle services, which carried thousands of delegates to and from the COP26 campus throughout the two weeks of the event; acknowledges that, in addition to the investment and ongoing delivery of 150 electric buses built by Alexander Dennis, First Bus are also running the UK's first hydrogen-powered bus services in Aberdeen; and wishes First Bus continued success in its efforts to decarbonise its bus fleets across Scotland's transport network.

672 **Property managers appointed by the First-tier Tribunal (Property Chamber)**

Tabled: 19/11/21 Signatories: 1

Sir Peter Bottomley

That this House questions whether the First-tier Tribunal (Property Chamber) has effective power to investigate the actions and conduct of the court appointed property manager Richard Davidoff; recognises the need for urgent action to implement statutory regulation of the leasehold property management sector outlined in Regulation of Property Agents: working group report, chaired by Lord Best, published on 18 July 2019; seeks an effective Government response to the recommendations; and calls on the Government to listen to the former employees of Mr Davidoff raising whistleblowing details of his business practices.

673 Church of Scotland's action on Climate Change

Tabled: 19/11/21 Signatories: 1

Dr Lisa Cameron

That this House acknowledges the contribution of the Church of Scotland to the discussion and action on climate change, including the Church's own Net Zero target by the year 2030; notes the participation by the Rt Hon. Lord Wallace of Tankerness, Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, as a delegate at COP26; recognises the continuing role of the churches and faith groups in advocating for the care of the environment; and calls on the Government to continue to engage with faith groups and civil society in this matter.

674 Animals in Scientific Research and transition to new approach methodologies

Tabled: 19/11/21 Signatories: 1

Martyn Day

That this House regrets 2.88 million animal experiments were carried out in Great Britain in 2020; notes there can be better options than using animals in scientific research; further notes the Animal Free Research UK report Modernising Medical Research recommendation to establish a role focussed on replacing animals with human relevant techniques, which could accelerate the transition to New Approach Methodologies (NAMs); and urges the Government to show global leadership and seize the scientific and economic opportunities that the NAMs sector provides.

675 Uptake of heat pumps

Tabled: 19/11/21 Signatories: 1

Wera Hobhouse

That this House welcomes the publication of the Heat and Buildings and Net Zero strategies, which include a commitment to deploy 600,000 heat pumps per year by 2028; notes that delivering net zero will require a very significant increase in the uptake of ground source and air source heat pumps within this decade; expresses concern that heat pump deployment is currently only 35,000 per year; believes that the Government must do more to encourage the uptake of cost-effective ground source heat pump solutions for multiple homes, including new build properties; further believes that the Government should ensure the heat pump industry has long-term stability to drive forward UK investment and training and must act quickly to reduce electricity prices to encourage greater uptake of heat pumps; and calls on the Government to increase the overall funding for the boiler upgrade scheme from 2022, including increased support for ground source heat pumps.

676 Royal DSM Dalry and Emissions Reduction

Tabled: 19/11/21 Signatories: 1

Patricia Gibson

That this House congratulates Royal DSM Dalry, North Ayrshire, following the announcement that it will be the first global production facility for a ground-breaking £100 million investment, backed by Scottish Enterprise, to reduce methane using a feed additive; notes that DSM already employs over 300 people in at its world-leading Dalry plant for micro-nutrients, including vitamin C; understands that just a quarter of a teaspoon of Bovaer its safe, revolutionary new product will cut methane emissions from dairy cows by over 30 per cent and 90 per cent from beef cattle, thereby delivering a strong sustainable export product; acknowledges this is a crucial step in supporting

farming communities in their fight against climate change and therefore, an important contributor to carbon reduction; recognises that this project will increase employment at DSM Dalry by 10 per cent or 30 people, as well as ensuring over 100 construction roles over the next two years, boosting the local economy and securing the facility's long-term future; and commends Royal DSM for their dedication to fighting global warming and supporting Scotland's aim to achieving its climate ambitions and wishes the facility the best with this exciting project and in its future endeavours.

677 Home Energy Scotland

Tabled: 19/11/21 Signatories: 1

Martyn Day

That this House commends the work of the Scottish Government's Home Energy Scotland service that is managed across Scotland by Energy Saving Trust and delivered to constituents in South East Scotland by Changeworks; recognises that Home Energy Scotland is the referral point for the Scottish Government funded Warmer Homes Scotland programme that, since 2015, has helped over 24,000 households across Scotland with a range of energy efficiency improvements to help keep people warmer in their homes and reduce their energy bills; notes Home Energy Scotland provides a range of free and impartial advice on energy efficiency, low and zero emissions heating, sustainable transport and water efficiency; further commends this service for continually delivering crucial support to constituents throughout the pandemic by helping households to stay warm, save money and reduce their carbon impact; and further recognises the support this service provided to local authorities to reach households who were shielding and providing e-bike trials to key workers.

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.

622 Impact of e-scooter use

Tabled: 8/11/21 Signatories: 8

Ed Davey
Jim Shannon
Layla Moran
Sarah Olney
Paula Barker
Sir Peter Bottomley

Marion Fellows

That this House recognises the Government's e-scooter trial period, due to expire in November 2021; understands the potential benefits of using e-scooters and integrating them into active travel and green transport; recognises that e-scooters are indisputably less polluting than conventional petrol and diesel vehicles; notes the 2018 Dockless Electric Scooter-Related Injuries Study, conducted in Texas, which suggests that excessive e-scooter speed contributed to more than one-third, namely 37%, of injured riders; recognises the impact of pavement clutter which impacts disabled people; and calls on the Government to publish regular reviews of the impacts of e-scooters on safety in cities.

623 Save Our Books campaignTabled: **8/11/21** Signatories: **7**

Neale Hanvey
Sir Mike Penning
Jim Shannon
John McDonnell
Sir Peter Bottomley
Wera Hobhouse

Marion Fellows

That this House notes the continuing efforts of the Save Our Books campaign bringing together the Publishers Association, the Society of Authors, the Association of Authors' Agents and the Authors' Licensing and Collecting Society on behalf of authors, literary agents, publishers and other supportive partners to maintain the UK's existing copyright laws rather than adopt an international exhaustion regime which would risk levelling down copyright standards; notes the concerns expressed by the Save Our Books Campaign that such a move would threaten the creative export market with the potential loss of up to 25% of the UK publishing industry's revenue, valued at almost one billion pounds, thereby potentially hampering investment and putting jobs at risk; believes that maintaining existing copyright laws will ensure that authors, illustrators, translators and publishers continue to be paid appropriately for their work and will also prevent an influx of cheap books from overseas which would see fewer books, by fewer authors for fewer readers across the UK; and calls on the Government to respond in early course to the findings of the recent consultation on the UK's future exhaustion of intellectual property rights regime carried out by The Intellectual Property Office which closed on 31 August and thereby provide the certainty and stability which the publishing sector needs.

635 Freedom of expression in CubaTabled: **9/11/21** Signatories: **8**

Stewart Malcolm McDonald
Allan Dorans
Neil Coyle
Jim Shannon
Sir Peter Bottomley
Jonathan Edwards

Marion Fellows

That this House notes that the Cuban civil society movement, Archipiélago, has called for marches on the 15 November 2021 against violence, to demand that all Cubans' rights are respected, for the release of political prisoners and for the solution to their differences via democratic and peaceful channels; further notes that the Cuban government has thus far denied the right of citizens to protest peacefully and continues to detain and imprison those who peacefully protested on 11 July 2021; and calls on the Cuban government to allow peaceful protest, release political prisoners and to engage in meaningful dialogue with Cuban civil society.

638 Outsourcing

Tabled: 9/11/21 Signatories: 22

Chris Stephens [R]
Grahame Morris
John McDonnell
Allan Dorans
Marion Fellows
Jim Shannon

Kate Osborne

Zarah Sultana

That this House notes with concern the use of private contractors in delivering front-line services across the Department for Work and Pensions; further notes that current services run by private firm Serco include the Initial Evidence Interview, General Enquiries and Advanced Payments, and Personal Independence Payments Mandatory Reconsideration; notes that the recently announced Restart Scheme, which aims to give jobseekers enhanced support to find jobs, will be run by numerous private firms across the UK on a payment by results basis; expresses alarm that Serco, which has secured further contracts in the Department this financial year to deliver call handling and support, has recently received support from up to 450 directly employed DWP staff in order to tackle high call volumes; notes that many private firms have failed to deliver adequate services within the DWP, affecting some of the most vulnerable people in society; supports the Public and Commercial Services union in their calls for in-housing of all services within the DWP to ensure the best support for service users as well as better terms, conditions and pay for staff; and calls on the DWP to work closely with unions and third-sector organisations to build a stronger Department that puts claimants and their needs at the heart of its operations.

641 Rights of British nationals in the UAE

Tabled: 15/11/21 Signatories: 7

Sir Peter Bottomley
Jim Shannon
Debbie Abrahams
Jeremy Corbyn
Wera Hobhouse
Chris Stephens

Marion Fellows

That this House notes with profound concern that British women who live and work in the United Arab Emirates have been detained with obvious signs of mistreatment and breaches of human rights; welcomes the conclusions of a fact finding report into the treatment of British women in the UAE; recognises that consular staff perform a difficult task in the UAE; nevertheless expresses its profound alarm that consular assistance provided to British women in the UAE whose rights have been breached has fallen far short on occasion; notes failures to adequately protect the rights of British women living or working in the UAE; calls upon the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs to take urgent steps to ensure that the rights of all British nationals living and working in the UAE, in particular the rights of British women living or working in the UAE, are adequately protected; and calls upon the Government to ensure that adequate consular assistance is provided to British nationals, in particular women, who find themselves arrested or otherwise detained in the UAE.

651 Afghan Citizens Resettlement Scheme

Tabled: 15/11/21 Signatories: 50

Caroline Lucas
Jim Shannon
Jamie Stone
Clive Lewis
Dr Rupa Huq
Anne McLaughlin

Marion Fellows

That this House notes the Afghan Citizens Resettlement Scheme (ACSR) was announced on 18 August 2021; further notes that hon. Members are still receiving desperate messages for help and that Ministerial replies to queries make repeated reference to the scheme; is concerned that three months later the ACRS is still not open to applications and that vulnerable people seeking safety from the Taliban, and for whom the UK has a responsibility, are therefore not able to access it; is further concerned that the 5,000 cap on the number of people who can be helped by the scheme in the first year is insufficient and that there's every likelihood those places will already be filled by, for example, people evacuated to the UK via Operation Pitting or who have crossed the border into refugee camps in neighbouring countries, with knock on implications for the Afghan national family members of our constituents; and calls on the Government to open the ACRS without any further delays and to significantly increase the number of people eligible, starting with bringing forward the overall 20,000 cap to the first year.

652 Driving test requirements for cars with trailers

Tabled: 15/11/21 Signatories: 8

Mr Alistair Carmichael
Jim Shannon
Layla Moran
Wera Hobhouse
Christine Jardine
Chris Stephens

Marion Fellows

That this House notes with concern news that the Government has delayed without explanation changes to licensing rules for cars with trailers, previously due to come into implementation on 15 November 2021; notes that all tests for those seeking to be licensed to drive cars with trailers were cancelled in anticipation of test requirements being removed, and tests have not been reopened; voices concern that a growing number of drivers, particularly young learners, will be left unable to drive legally with trailers and unable to obtain an upgraded licence via testing; and calls on the Government to clarify its intentions regarding trailer licensing and testing urgently.

654 Parliamentary Contributory Pension Fund investment in the fossil fuel industry

Tabled: 15/11/21 Signatories: 18

Zarah Sultana
Caroline Lucas
Daisy Cooper
Patricia Gibson
Dan Carden
Clive Lewis

Marion Fellows

That this House notes that the UK hosted COP26, the United Nations Climate Change Conference; further notes that in May 2019 this House declared a climate emergency; notes that approximately £700 million is invested in the UK and global economy through the Parliamentary Contributory Pension Fund; notes that while the Pension Fund has increased its investments in renewable energy, it still invests funds in the fossil fuel industry; notes the International Energy Agency has stated there can be no more new investments in fossil fuel supply beyond that already committed as of 2021 to keep below 1.5°C; notes that all fossil fuel companies are investing in new fossil fuel supply beyond 2021 and that no fossil fuel company net zero pledge is in line with the 1.5°C commitment; believes that to avert climate catastrophe, temperatures must not exceed the 1.5°C target mandated by the 2015 Paris Agreement; believes that Parliament and MPs have a responsibility to show leadership on the climate emergency; and therefore calls on the trustees of the Parliamentary Contributory Pension Fund to stop funding the fossil fuel industry and to invest in climate solutions instead.

655 Debt cancellation and climate change

Tabled: 16/11/21 Signatories: 21

Bell Ribeiro-Addy
Ian Mearns
Jonathan Edwards
Ian Lavery
Caroline Lucas
Claudia Webbe

Marion Fellows

Clive Lewis

That this House recognises that countries in the global South are being forced to confront the climate emergency with both hands tied behind their back; notes that low-income countries are responsible for less than 1 per cent of the world's historic carbon emissions but now face some of the most devastating impacts of climate breakdown; further notes a recent analysis from the Jubilee Debt Campaign which found that 34 of the world's poorest countries are spending £21.4 billion on debt payments a year compared with £3.9 billion on measures to tackle the climate emergency; notes a peer-reviewed study published by Springer which estimates that the cost of climate-related loss and damage in the global South alone will be between \$290 billion and \$580 billion annually by 2030; regrets that COP26 did not recognise, or take action to address, the link between global debt and the climate emergency; calls on the Government to push for an expansion of the G20 Common Framework to consider middle-income, climate-vulnerable countries for debt relief treatment and ensure private sector participation; and further calls on the Government to support calls for automatic debt payment suspension and relief for countries that experience natural disasters.

656 Glenmorangie Company awarded with Solar Impulse Guides

Tabled: 16/11/21 Signatories: 7

Jamie Stone
Margaret Ferrier
Christine Jardine
Chris Stephens
Jim Shannon
Sir Peter Bottomley

Marion Fellows

That this House congratulates The Glenmorangie Company on being presented with Solar Impulse Guides last week by the Solar Impulse Foundation; notes that this is in recognition of Glenmorangie's pioneering work on sustainability in whisky production; recognises the company's various sustainability initiatives such as the anaerobic digestion plant which supplies bio-gas on site and the Dornoch Environmental Enhancement Project (DEEP) which seeks to enhance biodiversity by restoring long-lost oyster reefs to the Dornoch Firth; and commends The Glenmorangie Company for being chosen as the Guides' case study for COP26.

660 Cuban government and religious leaders

Tabled: 16/11/21 Signatories: 5

Jim Shannon
Carla Lockhart
Sammy Wilson
Sir Peter Bottomley
Marion Fellows

That this House registers concern over the Cuban government's targeting of religious leaders who participate in peaceful protests in Cuba; notes particular concern for detained christian reverend, Lorenzo Rosales Fajardo, who faces continued detention without trial; urges the Government to raise human rights abuses with the Cuban government; and calls on the Government to promote the rights to freedom of assembly, expression, religion or belief for all.

663 Treatment of journalists in Myanmar

Tabled: 17/11/21 Signatories: 14

John McDonnell
Grahame Morris
Rebecca Long Bailey
Chris Stephens
Christine Jardine
Liz Saville Roberts

Marion Fellows

Jonathan Edwards

That this House deplores the sentence of eleven years hard labour given to Frontier Myanmar's managing editor Danny Fenster by the military junta; notes that Fenster is the first western journalist to be convicted from over a hundred journalists arrested since February's military coup, and that of the seven journalists convicted, his sentence represents the harshest punishment yet; believes this sentencing sends a dangerous message of the military junta's absolute disregard for press freedom to suppress critical voices and reports on human rights violations; and calls on the Government to join the International Federation of Journalists and the National Union of Journalists in the UK and Ireland in calling for the authorities in Myanmar to drop the remaining charges and immediately release Fenster along with all other media workers detained since 1 February 2021.

664 Carers Rights Day

Tabled: 17/11/21 Signatories: 7

Dr Lisa Cameron
Ian Mearns
Douglas Chapman
Sir Peter Bottomley
Chris Stephens
Allan Dorans

Marion Fellows

That this House acknowledges the estimated 13.6 million people who are providing unpaid care to family and friends across the UK; recognises the importance of Carers Rights Day 2021, taking place on 25 November 2021, in raising awareness of unpaid carers and ensuring they are informed about their rights and entitlements; notes the very difficult challenges that unpaid carers continue to face, and the increased levels of care they are currently having to provide, in the wake of the covid-19 pandemic; stresses the urgent need for more support to be given to unpaid carers who are juggling their caring responsibilities alongside paid work; and calls on the Government to implement its plans to introduce Carer's Leave at the earliest opportunity, as well as providing all employees a day one right to request flexible working.

665 Welsh Men's National Football Team Success

Tabled: 17/11/21 Signatories: 8

Hywel Williams
Ian Mearns
Mark Tami
Douglas Chapman
Brendan O'Hara
Chris Stephens

Marion Fellows

Jonathan Edwards

That this House celebrates the success of the Welsh Men's National Football team for securing a seeded play off spot for the 2022 World Cup qualification following their 1 to 1 draw with current FIFA World Ranking leaders Belgium; pays tribute to manager Rob Page and his backroom staff for their fantastic work in guiding the team to the verge of qualification by finishing in the top-two of a World Cup qualifying group for the first time since qualification for the 1966 World Cup; notes the side's current 16 game unbeaten run at home is in part testament to the tremendous support by Welsh fans; and wishes the team the best of luck for the remainder of the campaign to qualify for a World Cup for the first time since 1958.

666 Scottish Curry Awards 2021

Tabled: 18/11/21 Signatories: 3

Kirsten Oswald
Allan Dorans
Marion Fellows

That this House recognises the importance of the Scottish curry industry and of the best Scottish curry establishments and professionals that create and serve delicious dishes in communities across Scotland; congratulates all winners in the Scottish Curry Awards for 2021 in categories as diverse as Takeaway and Home Delivery of the Year, Outstanding Indian Restaurant of the Year, Customer Service of the Year, Curry Champions of the Year and Curry Lover of the Year; congratulates in particular the Turban Tandoori restaurant in Giffnock, East Renfrewshire, which received the much-

prized Outstanding Curry of the Year award; notes that the Turban Tandoori is a well-loved local business not just for the quality of their food and customer service but also for the contribution they make to their local community, not least by their generosity in ensuring that surplus food was distributed to people in need when the restaurant closed during the covid-19 pandemic; and applauds Turban Tandoori's generous donations to the NHS to help keep front-line staff energised as they cared for patients during the covid-19 pandemic.

667 Airdrie Citizens Advice Bureau 50th anniversary

Tabled: **18/11/21** Signatories: **3**

Ms Anum Qaisar
Allan Dorans
Marion Fellows

That this House congratulates Airdrie Citizens Advice Bureau for reaching its 50th anniversary; recognises the role that the Citizens Advice Bureau plays in providing free, independent and confidential advice to clients in Airdrie; commends the hard work of staff and volunteers at that Citizens Advice Bureau, empowering clients from all demographics to manage their lives and financial affairs; understands that on average 40 people receive assistance each day from Airdrie Citizens Advice Bureau and since the beginning of lockdown in March 2020, 32,910 issues were dealt with by that Bureau, generating £2.2M in financial gains and entitlements for their clients; and wishes the Airdrie Citizens Advice Bureau success going forward.

668 Isle of Kerrera Development Trust's work on developing and improving community life and island infrastructure

Tabled: **18/11/21** Signatories: **3**

Brendan O'Hara
Allan Dorans
Marion Fellows

That this House congratulates the Isle of Kerrera Development Trust (IKDT), including islander project team Martin and Aideen Shields and the residents of Kerrera, on the opening of a link road connecting the communities in the North and South of the island; notes the tireless efforts and success of the IKDT in securing funding from Argyll & Bute Council and the Scottish Government Islands Team and the precedence this sets for other island communities wishing to develop and improve their communities infrastructure; further notes the dedicated hard work of Alistair McCrae and his team from Barrachander Quarry in getting the road built in a timely and affordable manner; recognises the huge economic and social benefits that this project will bring to the residents of and visitors to Kerrera who can now access vital services much more readily; commends the IKDT for all of their hard work on other projects and partnerships, including, the purchase and renovation of the Old School into a community hub, the acquisition of the breakwater and slipway as the IKDT's first income generating community asset and the island e-bikes project; and wishes all those on Kerrera every success with future plans.

669 Rosneath Primary School winner of Tree Council national competition

Tabled: 18/11/21 Signatories: 3

**Brendan O'Hara
Allan Dorans
Marion Fellows**

That this House congratulates the primary six class of Rosneath Primary School and their teacher Mrs Hazlett on their outstanding success in the Tree Council national competition, taking first place among 800 entrants and being involved in the initiative, which included the planting of over 30,000 trees and fruiting hedgerow whips across the UK with the aim of creating a healthier future for young people and the planet by unlocking the power of trees; welcomes the school's involvement in the Tree Council's Force for Nature climate event; recognises the pledges made by pupils to reduce carbon emissions; marks the work undertaken by primary seven children at the school to carry out a village litter survey followed by a litter pick resulting in 11kg of litter being collected; and commends all of these efforts by the school to improve the local environment as well as engaging young people in the aims of the COP26 event while it was taking place in Glasgow.

670 Heartstart Projects Argyll and Clyde team win volunteer of the year at Scottish Health Awards

Tabled: 18/11/21 Signatories: 3

**Brendan O'Hara
Allan Dorans
Marion Fellows**

That this House congratulates the Heartstart Projects in Argyll and Clyde team for winning the volunteer of the year award at the Scottish Health Awards ceremony held in Edinburgh; marks 25 years of that group saving the lives of people across Helensburgh and Lomond and the wider Argyll and Clyde area; recognises the value of training provided to members of the public including basic emergency life support in schools, workplaces and community settings as well as training in the use of more than 220 publicly accessible defibrillators; commends NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde and Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership for providing financial support for the project; and thanks Heartstart co-ordinator, Sheenah Nelson, trainer, Frances Parkinson, and staff, including Angela McNeil and Bernadette Walker, for their dedication to the project's success.