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New EDMs

817 Fuel prices for motorists

Tabled: 6/01/22 Signatories: 2

Carla Lockhart
Wera Hobhouse

That this House recognises the challenging impact of high fuel costs on households and business across the UK; notes the comments of the RAC and their belief that petrol retailers are ripping off motorists by refusing to pass on wholesale price cuts; expresses concern at the RAC's findings that this has resulted in motorists being overcharged by £5 million a day in December as retailers made an average of 16 pence a litre on petrol instead of the normal 6 pence; and calls on the Government to explore the creation of an independent pricing watchdog to protect motorists from overcharging at the pump.

818 Keeping schools open

Tabled: 6/01/22 Signatories: 2

Munira Wilson
Wera Hobhouse

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

virus transmission including air purification units for every classroom while making the process of distributing those funds as simple as possible.

819 The work of the PEEK Project

Tabled: 6/01/22 Signatories: 1

Alison Thewliss

That this House celebrates the fantastic work of the Possibilities for Each and Every Kid project in providing opportunities for children, young people and families across Glasgow to play, create and thrive; congratulates PEEK Chief Executive Michaela Collins on being awarded an MBE for services to the community in Glasgow during covid-19 in the New Year Honours; recalls that Michaela progressed through PEEK as a young person, as a volunteer and staff member; notes the huge success of this year's Winter Warmer and Christmas Gift Appeal which has already raised over £15,000 and is providing cosy winter jackets, wellies and Christmas gifts to those needing some extra help and cheer over the winter period; congratulates the team on receiving the Teams Award at the Glasgow Times' Community Champions Awards which rightfully recognised their enormous efforts to support more than 3,500 children and young people throughout the covid-19 pandemic and deliver an incredible 350,000 meals through the PEEK-A-CHEW project; thanks everyone at PEEK for their continued kindness, commitment and generosity and for the hope and opportunities they have provided to so many people over the last 25 years; and looks forward to the many new ventures and successes still to come.

820 125 years of Glasgow subway

Tabled: 6/01/22 Signatories: 1

Alison Thewliss

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

821 50th birthday of the Strathbungo Society

Tabled: 6/01/22 Signatories: 1

Alison Thewliss

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

822 Post Office Horizon compensation scheme

Tabled: 6/01/22 Signatories: 3

Kate Osborne
Paula Barker
Wera Hobhouse

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

823 Cooperation with Indo-Pacific partners and focus on eliminating terrorism and extremism in the region

Tabled: 6/01/22 Signatories: 1

Bob Blackman

That this House raises concerns over the events unfolding in the Indo-Pacific region, which could have grave potential implications on global stability; remains concerned by the refusal by certain players to obey the rule-based international order, radicalisation of the civil society and constant use of terrorism as political tool; notes that those factors are pushing towards a real possibility of military conflict in that region, which could have devastating consequences for the planet; further notes with concern the events in Pakistan, the unchallenged rise of TLP and rise in intolerance towards minorities, atrocities on minorities in the name of blasphemy, cross-border terror attacks and killing of civilians and police officials in Jammu and Kashmir by Pakistan-based terror groups such as Lashkar e Taiba and Jaish e Mohammad; supports commitment to multi-dimensional cooperation with Indo Pacific powers like India, Australia and Japan; and urges the Government to engage with those countries and ensure that global stability.

824 Work of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI)

Tabled: 6/01/22 Signatories: 1

Angus Brendan MacNeil

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

825 Energy pricesTabled: **6/01/22** Signatories: **1****Mick Whitley**

That this House reaffirms its belief in the fundamental right to a warm home; recognises that millions of households are grappling with soaring energy prices; acknowledges the recent findings of the trade association Energy UK that prices could rise by between 45 to 50 per cent. by spring 2022; notes with concern National Energy Action's warning that a further two million households could, as a result, slip into fuel poverty, bringing the total number of people living in fuel poverty to the highest levels since records began; recognises that rising energy prices are contributing to a spiralling cost of living crisis; believes that Government interventions to date have failed to address the scale of this challenge or give essential protections to those most at risk; calls for urgent action to address this crisis in the short-term, including removing the 5 per cent. VAT rate on energy bills and greater financial assistance for low-income households; is convinced of the necessity of wholesale reform of the energy sector; believes that in the long-term public ownership has an essential role to play in building a fairer, greener sector as well as in reducing foreign energy dependence; further notes that the nationalisation of the energy system commands broad public support; and calls upon the Government to bring the energy sector into public hands.

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.

794 Zero-tolerance drink-drive limitTabled: **5/01/22** Signatories: **8****Rebecca Long Bailey****Kim Johnson****Paula Barker****Wera Hobhouse****Margaret Ferrier****Valerie Vaz**

Carol Monaghan

Jim Shannon

That this House notes that according to Brake, the road safety charity, 188 people are killed and more than 1,250 people are seriously injured in drink-drive related crashes in England and Wales every year on average; further notes that December and August are the worst months for drink-drive crashes and that between 2012 and 2019 there were 46,860 drink-driving related crashes, causing 1860 deaths; notes that England and Wales have the highest drink-drive limits in Europe; and calls on the Government to support Brake's Lower the Limit campaign and introduce a zero-tolerance drink-drive limit to reduce deaths and injuries, and to provide clarity in the law.

795 20th anniversary of Creative Commons

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 6

Alyn Smith
Allan Dorans
Caroline Lucas
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Patrick Grady

That this House celebrates the 20th anniversary of Creative Commons, a non-profit organisation which provides licences that give a free, simple and standardised way to grant copyright permissions; recognises that Creative Commons licences remove legal and technical obstacles to enable the global sharing of knowledge and creativity; acknowledges that Creative Commons licences have unlocked nearly 2 billion works around the world, including all Wikipedia content which has been published using a Creative Commons licence since 2009; congratulates Creative Commons for increasing access to valuable information, historic images, scientific articles, educational resources, cultural artefacts and more; and agrees that greater access to information means a stronger global community, more innovation, and increased capacity to solve key challenges the world faces today.

796 Ruari Fairbairns win at Great Britain Entrepreneur Award

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 2

Kenny MacAskill
Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates Ruari Fairbairns from North Berwick, who was awarded Entrepreneur for Good in Scotland and Northern Island for his business, One Year No Beer (OYNB), at the Great Britain Entrepreneur Awards in November, for the second year in a row; understands that One Year No Beer was founded by Ruari in 2015 and is a programme for cutting down alcohol consumption; praises the OYNB project on now having over 80,000 members world-wide, and wishes Ruari the best of luck with the future.

797 Osteria win at Scottish Italian Awards

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 2

Kenny MacAskill
Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates North Berwick restaurant, Osteria, on winning Best Italian Restaurant Under 50 Seats at the Scottish Italian Awards; understands that this is the fourth consecutive win of this award and their fifth overall; notes that Osteria creates dishes inspired from regions across Italy; and wishes Osteria the best of luck with their future.

798 Remembering Stephen Sutton MBE

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 7

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

Kirsten Oswald

That this House celebrates the life and legacy of the late Stephen Sutton MBE who was born on 16 December 1994; understands Stephen was a charity activist known for his blog and fundraising efforts for Teenage Cancer Trust; notes Stephen's story continues to be a source of inspiration for thousands of people battling cancer across the UK and the rest of the world; further notes that before his passing Stephen raised over £3 million for charities in just over a year and over £5.5 million to this day; recognises the immense impact Stephen's life, fundraising, and passion has had in helping others deal with cancer and other illnesses; thanks Stephen and his family for all they continue to do to help those in need; wishes all the best to his mother Jane and father Andrew; and thanks Stephen Sutton MBE for all he did to help people fighting cancer and for being brave enough to share his inspirational story with the world.

800 Care and Repair in South Lanarkshire

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 4

Angela Crawley
Allan Dorans
Jim Shannon
Chris Law

That this House congratulates Care and Repair in South Lanarkshire on receiving £10,000 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; commends the work of Care and Repair in South Lanarkshire to help older people and those with disabilities to live independently by helping with repairs, improvements or adaptations to homes; understands this funding will allow the purchase of a van to allow Care and Repair in South Lanarkshire to sustain and further develop their service, including expanding into North Lanarkshire; and wishes the organisation best wishes for the future.

801 Friends of Stonehouse Park

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 5

Angela Crawley
Allan Dorans
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Patrick Grady

That this House congratulates Friends of Stonehouse Park on receiving £6,000 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands the group will organise a year-long programme of events in Alexander Hamilton Memorial Park in Stonehouse to enhance local people's enjoyment of the open space and woodland; and commends the Friends of Stonehouse Park on their outstanding work to promote the use of the park by young people through bulb planting and Christmas events.

802 Stonehouse Scout and Guide Hall Committee

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 4

Angela Crawley
Allan Dorans
Jim Shannon
Chris Law

That this House congratulates Stonehouse Scout and Guide Hall Committee on receiving £9,800 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands the grant will fund replacement windows as part of the wider refurbishment of the Scout and Guide hall to improve the well-used community facility; and commends the work of the Stonehouse Scout and Guide Hall Committee on their commitment and dedication to their work in the community.

803 Bothwell Parish Church

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 4

Angela Crawley
Allan Dorans
Jim Shannon
Chris Law

That this House congratulates Bothwell Parish Church on receiving £10,000 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; recognises Bothwell Parish Church as the oldest Collegiate Church in Scotland in which worship is still held; admires the history and artistry of the church, with a quire dating back to 1389, stained glass windows by Sir Edward Burne-Jones, Gordon McWhirter Webster and Douglas Strachan, and housing the Bothwell Embroideries; understands this funding will be used to fund the purchase and installation of a new boiler; and commends the commitment to restoring and maintaining the church for continued use of the people of Bothwell

804 St Paul's Primary School

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 5

Angela Crawley
Allan Dorans
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Patrick Grady

That this House congratulates St Paul's Primary School on receiving £10,000 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands the school will use this funding to make free after-school sporting and leisure activities available to all residents of Whitehill, Hamilton; and commends the school for working to make the community a better place to live.

805 East Lothian Horizons help for refugees

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 2

Kenny MacAskill
Jim Shannon

That this House commends East Lothian Horizons, a volunteer group from across the East Lothian county, who have recently had their Home Office application for the Community Sponsorship Scheme accepted to secure a suitable means for refugees to be welcomed into East Lothian; congratulates the volunteer group on having their Home Office application approved in principle,

after sending their application in earlier this year; understands that the Community Sponsorship Scheme enables local groups to sponsor a family currently supported by the UN High Commission of Refugees, and as soon as the group secure a suitable property refugees can be welcomed; praises the groups' empathy and kind-heartedness towards refugees, including involving schools in fundraising walkathons, and more; and wishes the group, made up by Niki Fallowfield, Mhairi Dickie, Jenni Lai, Ruth Peck, Leigh Pleasance, Elisabeth Ritchie and Tara Wright, the very best of luck with homing refugees in East Lothian, and the best of luck with their futures.

806 Linton Hotel and Steakhouse double win at Food Awards Scotland

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 2

Kenny MacAskill
Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates Linton Hotel and Steakhouse on winning Hotel Restaurant of the Year South-East, and Hotel Restaurant of the Year Over All at Food Awards Scotland 2021; understands that the owner, Patrick Cairney was delighted with the double win that they picked up at an awards ceremony hosted in Glasgow in November 2021; notes that Linton Hotel and Steakhouse is Mr Cairney's first foray into the hotel and restaurant industry and that he credits his team for the win; and wishes Mr Cairney and his staff the best of luck with the future.

807 Ending horse slaughter in the UK

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 5

Dr Lisa Cameron
Allan Dorans
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Wera Hobhouse

That this House is alarmed by the revelations of an undercover investigation by Animal Aid, which featured on BBC Panorama, showing the slaughter of unwanted equines; is shocked that thousands of hoes and ponies are killed for their meat every year in the UK and Ireland; notes that there are no restrictions on horse production or breeding in the UK or Ireland and that most horses are speculatively bred for profit; understands that this leads to a surplus of unwanted equines; calls on the Government to take pro-active steps to require all horse breeding societies to set tangible annual limits on the numbers of equines bred and to make it a requirement that all breeders are responsible for each animal they produce both in welfare and financial terms; and further calls on the Government to collect, analyse and make public the number of equines from all breed societies slaughtered each year so that the annual limits may be reduced further if the situation shows no sign of improvement.

808 Recognition for Lisa Gordon in the hair and beauty sector

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 4

Dr Lisa Cameron
Allan Dorans
Jim Shannon
Chris Law

That this House notes the outstanding work of Lisa Gordon from the constituency of East Kilbride, Strathaven and Lesmshagow; notes her achievements over the last year including being a finalist in the Hair and Beauty Awards for Training Academy of the Year 2021 and the Scottish Hair and

Beauty Awards 2021; commends Lisa for the success of her training academy, which has included three trophy wins in the last three years; further salutes her achieving international success in Lash and Brow competitions and wishes her every on-going success with the training academy based in Strathaven.

809 Pen Farthing and Nowzad

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 4

Dr Lisa Cameron
Allan Dorans
Jim Shannon
Chris Law

That this House recognises the work of Paul 'Pen' Farthing who served in the Royal Marines for 22 years; notes that after leaving the Royal Marines Paul dedicated himself to the animal-rescue charity Nowzad in Kabul, which he founded in 2007; recognises that Nowzad has been transporting animals from Afghanistan to the UK for 14 years, including reuniting many armed services personnel with the animals they adopted while posted in the region; further acknowledges the mental health and emotional support benefits animals provide to our armed services personnel; and congratulates Pen on receiving the all-party Parliamentary group for advisory dog welfare's Unsung Hero Award.

810 80th anniversary of the Wannsee Conference in January 1942

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 4

Mr Gregory Campbell
Carla Lockhart
Jim Shannon
Wera Hobhouse

That this House notes January 2022 marks the eightieth anniversary of the Wannsee Conference where a number of German Government representatives met outside Berlin in 1942 and formalised the procedures and practical steps to deal with what was termed the Jewish question that would ultimately lead to the mass murder of millions of Jewish people; and expresses the hope that people from Nations across the world will take steps to ensure that current and future generations repudiate continuing anti-Semitic incidents and never forget the scale of atrocities which took place during that horrendous period of European history.

811 Children's Mental Health Week

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 9

Dr Lisa Cameron
Allan Dorans
Caroline Lucas
Jonathan Edwards
Paula Barker
Jim Shannon

Chris Law

Patrick Grady

Wera Hobhouse

That this House recognises that 7 February 2022 marks the beginning of Children's Mental Health Week; notes that this year's theme is growing together; recognises that the covid-19 pandemic has challenged the mental health of children and adults across the world and understands that those challenges and setbacks can help us to grow and adapt together; further acknowledges that

75 per cent of mental illnesses start before a person's 18th birthday, highlighting a growing need for mental health support from a young age; thanks all the UK mental health charities currently providing support, including Place2Be and YoungMinds; and urges the Government to implement a dedicated mental health strategy.

812 Work of local foodbanks

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 2

Jim Shannon
Carla Lockhart

That this House notes and sincerely thanks the tremendous work undertaken by local foodbanks in the last 12 months, especially throughout the Christmas and New Year period, which has been a challenging time for so many; particularly gives thanks to Trussell Trust based at Thriving Life Church in the constituency of Strangford, who have worked closely with the office of the hon Member for Strangford for many years and always do their best to support families and those in need throughout these trying times; notes that the foodbank has gone above and beyond throughout the covid-19 pandemic and continues to do so and praises them for the hundreds of food parcels delivered throughout the month of December to assist those facing challenged throughout the Christmas period; further notes the continued support foodbanks have from elected members across the United Kingdom; and thanks them dearly for their tireless work all year round.

813 Faith during addiction

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 2

Jim Shannon
Carla Lockhart

That this House notes the disappointment at recent news that Alcoholics Anonymous leaders have branded meetings in one venue as too Christian focused and have removed this venue from the Organisations online directory; further notes the historical background of AA meetings which were started in the 1930s by Christians and fully supports the need for faith in some people's lives to get through these difficult times; highlights the willpower of those struggling with addiction and actively seeking help and expresses respect for all who make the decision to seek a meeting to help with their addiction; understands that some find solace through prayer and faith whilst going through the impacts of addiction and diseases such as alcoholism, which should be respected; and further notes the ongoing work undertaken by AA to support those dealing with alcoholism and thanks this organisation for the dedication to supporting those who seek to control their addiction and turn their lives around.

814 ANM Group 150th anniversary

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 10

Richard Thomson
Allan Dorans
Douglas Chapman
Drew Hendry
Deidre Brock
Martin Docherty-Hughes

Dave Doogan
Patrick Grady

Jim Shannon

Chris Law

That this House notes that 2022 sees the 150th anniversary of the foundation of what is now the ANM Group Limited co-operative; recognises that North-east Scotland has been an area where, for centuries, livestock rearing and marketing has been a source of pride, prestige and considerable financial investment; acknowledges Aberdeen and Northern Marts generated a hive of activity where farmers, dealers, agricultural workers and families came together to do business and socialise; and congratulates ANM Group for the development of modern auction centres, the pioneering of electronic and video auctions, diversification into non-agricultural auctions and the move into the high-quality catering and hospitality market which are examples of the innovative approach which has made ANM Group a highly-successful farmer-owned business.

815 Winner of the Slow Food Person of the Year Award 2021 and BBC's Food Innovation Award 2021

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 5

Wendy Chamberlain
Jamie Stone
Tim Farron
Layla Moran
Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates Andrew Whitely on being named UK Person of the Year in the Slow Food Awards 2021; further congratulates Scotland the Bread on winning the BBC's Food Innovation Award 2021 for their Flour to the People project; commends the work by producers and farmers in supplying food stuffs during the pandemic; notes the importance of access to nutritious local food products; and notes the value of organic and traditional food production to biodiversity, nutrition, local employment, artisanal skills, community empowerment, social justice, and flavour.

816 24 hour hot food service for NHS staff

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 5

John McDonnell
Caroline Lucas
Paula Barker
Jim Shannon
Dan Carden

That this House expresses its support for the campaign launched by Neely Mozawala calling upon the Government to provide the funding necessary to enable each hospital trust to provide a 24/ hour hot food canteen service and dining facilities, providing affordable and nutritious hot food to their staff, recognising the importance of access to good nutrition to the wellbeing and mental and physical health of these caring staff and to the quality of the care provided to their patients; and further notes that this proposal follows from the recommendations of the national independent NHS food review undertaken by Prue Leith and Phil Shelley and the BMA Charter.