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### New EDMs

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

Tabled: 10/01/22 Signatories: 1

**Hannah Bardell**

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

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

Tabled: 10/01/22 Signatories: 1

**Peter Grant**

That this House commends the work of owner, Clare Mitchell, at Revive Salon in Cardenden for looking after those facing homelessness in the local area by offering free haircuts, hot drinks and

a listening ear throughout December; congratulates her on the success of her thoughtful and kind gesture during an already busy period for the salon; thanks her on behalf of those who benefitted from her opening her business in this way as it will no doubt have had a significant impact to their wellbeing; highlights the importance of acts of kindness in pulling local communities together; and wishes her all the best for the continued success of her business.

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## 828 Urdd Gobaith Cymru's centenary

Tabled: 10/01/22 Signatories: 1

**Liz Saville Roberts**

That this House congratulates Urdd Gobaith Cymru, a National Voluntary Youth Organisation, on reaching its centenary this year; notes that the Urdd was established by Sir Ifan ab Owen Edwards in 1922 with the aim of protecting and promoting the Welsh language; further notes that the Urdd is now Wales' largest organisation for children and young people with more than 55,000 members; celebrates that over the course of the century, the Urdd has brought the Welsh language alive and provided access to important experiences for millions of children and young people through the Urdd Eisteddfod, sports, its residential centres and community and charitable work; further celebrates their commitment to supporting children and young people from low-income households by offering this year's membership at a reduced rate; recognises the impact that the pandemic has had on the organisation and believes that supporting the Urdd to rebuild will be instrumental in achieving the Welsh Government's target of one million Welsh speakers by 2050; looks forward to the Urdd Eisteddfod in Denbighshire this May and the opening of the first environmental camp of its kind in Wales at the Pentre Ifan site later this year; and wishes the Urdd well with their virtual birthday party and their attempt on two Guinness World Record titles by singing and uploading videos of the iconic song, Hei Mistar Urdd, onto Twitter and Facebook.

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## 829 Covid mitigation in schools

Tabled: 10/01/22 Signatories: 1

**Layla Moran**

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

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

Tabled: 10/01/22 Signatories: 1

**Richard Thomson**

That this House notes that in the UK, unlike for those with children born after the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act came into force on 13 November 2008, female same-sex couples

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

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### 831 Care Quality Commission ambulance review

Tabled: 10/01/22 Signatories: 2

**Daisy Cooper**  
**Helen Morgan**

That this House notes with concern the pressures facing ambulance services and that longer waiting times are risking patient safety; further notes that all ambulance services in England have been at REAP Level 4, the highest level, for many months, meaning that ambulance services are under extreme pressure and are worried about their ability to maintain a safe and timely service; highlights public statements from the Royal College of Emergency Medicine and the Association of Ambulance Chief Executives warning of the intolerable pressures facing services across the country; recognises the heroic efforts of paramedics and all emergency medical staff that are providing care as best they can under these extreme circumstances; further recognises the increased pressures on all staff as a result of the covid-19 pandemic; believes that the public has a right to know what systemic problems underpin the pressures on ambulance services and what can be done to fix them; and calls on the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care to use his powers laid out in section 48 of the Health and Social Care Act 2008 to commission the Care Quality Commission to conduct a review of ambulance services in England without further delay.

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

Tabled: 10/01/22 Signatories: 1

**Peter Grant**

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

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## 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.

### 779 Covid-19 vaccination patent waiver recommendation to the World Trade Organisation

Tabled: 15/12/21 Signatories: 18

Jon Trickett  
 Claudia Webbe  
 Kate Osborne  
 Caroline Lucas  
 Ian Byrne  
 John McDonnell

Ian Lavery

That this House expresses its concern at the UK Government's failure to adequately support low income countries in the fight against coronavirus; notes that 81 per cent of the eligible UK population has received two doses of a Covid-19 vaccine, compared to less than 8 per cent of people across Africa according to Amnesty International; further notes that the UK Government are blocking countries from producing their own vaccines by refusing to support the temporary waiver on vaccine patents which is supported by the South African and Indian governments, as well as the United Nations Secretary General; disagrees with the statement made by the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care that a patent waiver would "disincentive" pharmaceutical companies from producing new technology; is further concerned by the World Health Organisation's research showing that there could be a shortfall of 3 billion doses of Covid-19 vaccines in poorer nations in the first quarter of 2022 if the richer nations give boosters to everyone including children; recognises that at least 97 per cent of the funding for the Oxford-AstraZeneca Covid-19 vaccine came from taxpayers; believes that the failure to vaccinate low income countries increases the risk of new variants like the Omicron variant; urges the Government to put public health before private profit; calls on the Government to support the waiver of vaccine patents at the World Trade Organisation; and further calls on the Government to increase the supply of vaccines the UK is distributing to low income countries.

### 785 Celebration of Christmas

Tabled: 15/12/21 Signatories: 5

Jim Shannon  
 Sir Mike Penning  
 Carla Lockhart  
 Bob Blackman  
 Paul Girvan

That this House notes the celebration of Christmas across the UK as an important time for faith and family in every corner of the nation; further notes that there are many who will continue to go into work and care for others throughout the Christmas period and thanks them wholeheartedly for leaving their family so others are not alone; highlights the wonderful charitable work that sees the homeless fed, the needy helped and the lonely befriended as people seek to fulfil the aim of Christ to help the poor and needy and to point them to a loving God who never leaves and never forsakes; and takes the opportunity to wish all a very happy Christmas and a blessed, peaceful and safe New Year.

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**786 Northern Ireland Football and the National Anthem**

Tabled: 15/12/21 Signatories: 5

**Jim Shannon**  
**Sir Mike Penning**  
**Carla Lockhart**  
**Bob Blackman**  
**Paul Girvan**

That this House notes the calls for a change of national anthem for the Northern Ireland Football Team; highlights that there is only one national anthem in Northern Ireland and that God Save the Queen is neither offensive or dated; and affirms that consideration and cooperation should not and does not mean the eradication of anything that is British as a concession to political activism.

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**787 Freedom of speech**

Tabled: 15/12/21 Signatories: 4

**Jim Shannon**  
**Carla Lockhart**  
**Bob Blackman**  
**Paul Girvan**

That this House believes that any legislation proposed or passed in order to prevent serious public disorder should not, as a matter of course, enable the suppression of freedom of speech; believes that laws regulating public order are too often applied beyond the original intentions of Parliament, to the detriment of freedom of speech; resolves to ensure that powers contained in proposed public order legislation will only affect freedom of speech in a manner that is proportionate, unambiguous, and predictable; and calls for improved training and guidance for the police and prosecution services that better balances freedom of speech protections with the legitimate aim of preventing serious public disorder.

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**798 Remembering Stephen Sutton MBE**

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 19

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

John McNally

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

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**810 80th anniversary of the Wannsee Conference in January 1942**

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 6

**Mr Gregory Campbell**  
**Carla Lockhart**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Wera Hobhouse**  
**Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson**  
**Paul Girvan**

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: 11

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

Amy Callaghan

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: 3

**Jim Shannon**  
**Carla Lockhart**  
**Paul Girvan**

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.

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### 813 Faith during addiction

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 3

**Jim Shannon**  
**Carla Lockhart**  
**Paul Girvan**

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.

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### 814 ANM Group 150th anniversary

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 14

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

Kirsten Oswald

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.

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**816 24 hour hot food service for NHS staff**

Tabled: 5/01/22 Signatories: 9

**John McDonnell**  
**Caroline Lucas**  
**Paula Barker**  
**Jim Shannon**  
**Dan Carden**  
**Kim Johnson**

Ian Lavery

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.

**817 Fuel prices for motorists**

Tabled: 6/01/22 Signatories: 7

**Carla Lockhart**  
**Wera Hobhouse**  
**Mr Gregory Campbell**  
**Jonathan Edwards**  
**Gavin Robinson**  
**Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson**

Paul Girvan

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.

**819 The work of the PEEK Project**

Tabled: 6/01/22 Signatories: 4

**Alison Thewliss**  
**John Nicolson**  
**Allan Dorans**  
**Amy Callaghan**

That this House celebrates the fantastic work of the Possibilities for Each and Every Kid project in providing opportunities for children, young people and families across Glasgow to play, create and thrive; congratulates PEEK Chief Executive Michaela Collins on being awarded an MBE for services to the community in Glasgow during covid-19 in the New Year Honours; recalls that Michaela progressed through PEEK as a young person, as a volunteer and staff member; notes the huge success of this year's Winter Warmer and Christmas Gift Appeal which has already raised over £15,000 and is providing cosy winter jackets, wellies and Christmas gifts to those needing some extra help and cheer over the winter period; congratulates the team on receiving the Teams Award



at the Glasgow Times' Community Champions Awards which rightfully recognised their enormous efforts to support more than 3,500 children and young people throughout the covid-19 pandemic and deliver an incredible 350,000 meals through the PEEK-A-CHEW project; thanks everyone at PEEK for their continued kindness, commitment and generosity and for the hope and opportunities they have provided to so many people over the last 25 years; and looks forward to the many new ventures and successes still to come.

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## 820 125 years of Glasgow subway

Tabled: 6/01/22 Signatories: 5

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

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

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## 821 50th birthday of the Strathbungo Society

Tabled: 6/01/22 Signatories: 3

**Alison Thewliss**  
**John Nicolson**  
**Allan Dorans**

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 conversation of local architecture and environmental heritage; thanks the generations of volunteers who have dedicated their time, love and effort to the evolution of the Society and without whom it could not survive; and looks forward to the continued joy, support and successes the Society will bring to future generations of Strathbungo residents for the next 50 years and beyond.

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**822 Post Office Horizon compensation scheme**

Tabled: 6/01/22 Signatories: 48

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

Caroline Lucas  
 Dan Jarvis  
 Dr Philippa Whitford  
 Pete Wishart  
 Valerie Vaz  
 Douglas Chapman  
 Mary Kelly Foy  
 Margaret Ferrier  
 Tommy Sheppard  
 Deidre Brock

Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck  
 Kate Hollern  
 Karl Turner  
 Paul Girvan  
 Sir Greg Knight  
 Dr Lisa Cameron  
 Hannah Bardell  
 Ian Lavery  
 John McNally  
 Wendy Chamberlain

Gavin Newlands  
 Sammy Wilson  
 Sir George Howarth  
 Drew Hendry  
 Hilary Benn  
 Jon Cruddas  
 Jeremy Corbyn  
 Alex Cunningham  
 Andy McDonald

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

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

Tabled: 6/01/22 Signatories: 14

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

Allan Dorans

Paul Girvan

Sir Mike Penning

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 prices**Tabled: **6/01/22** Signatories: **27**

**Mick Whitley**  
**Kim Johnson**  
**Kate Osborne**  
**Paula Barker**  
**John McDonnell**  
**Kate Hollern**

Marsha De Cordova  
Ms Diane Abbott  
Nadia Whittome  
Jonathan Edwards

Rebecca Long Bailey  
Dawn Butler  
Mr Virendra Sharma  
Ian Lavery

Mary Kelly Foy  
Bell Ribeiro-Addy  
Ian Byrne

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.