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The Labour Party

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Conference Arrangements Committee (CAC)

Members: Harry Donaldson (Chair), Michael Cashman, Bronwyn McKenna, Mick Murphy, Gloria De Piero, Jayne Taylor, Fiona Wilson

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Roger Hutchinson, CAC Steward, will be able to assist with most queries.

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CAC Daily Reports

These will be handed to delegates as they enter the Conference Hall and can also be obtained from the Party Stand.

A copy will be emailed to delegates each morning at 8am and posted on Membersnet by 8am at: <https://members.labour.org.uk/conference-documents> or look for "Conference Documents" under the Party Activity tab.

Arrangements have been made for Trade Unions to receive copies of the reports each day in time for the delegation meetings.

Today's Agenda

Sunday 24 September – Morning Session Chair: Glenis Willmott and Andi Fox	
10:30	Opening of Conference
10:31	Welcome to Brighton and Hove <i>Lloyd Russell-Moyle MP</i>
10:35	Chair of Conference <i>Glenis Willmott</i>
10:40	Conference Arrangements Committee Report <i>Harry Donaldson, Chair of the CAC</i>
10:50	Merit Awards
10:55	Remembering the victims of terrorism and disasters <i>One Minute's Silence</i>
11:00	Obituaries
11:05	Co-operative Party Speaker <i>Cheryl Barrott</i>
11:10	Protecting Communities <i>Diane Abbott</i> <i>Debate – Speakers from the floor</i>
	<i>NPF Report Justice and Home Affairs pp 59-67, Housing Transport and Local Government pp 43-50, Environment, Energy and Culture pp25-32</i>
12:45	Conference Adjourns

<p>Sunday 24 September – Afternoon Session Chair: Andi Fox and Glenis Willmott</p>	
14:15	<p>Conference Reconvenes</p>
14:16	<p>Protecting Communities <i>Local Government Speaker</i></p> <p><i>Debate continues – speakers from the floor</i></p> <p><i>Andrew Gwynne</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>NPF Report Justice and Home Affairs pp 59-67, Housing Transport and Local Government pp 43-50, Environment, Energy and Culture pp25-32</i></p>
16:15	<p>Welsh Report <i>Carwyn Jones</i></p>
16:30	<p>General Election Report and Best Practise Awards <i>Iain McNicol, General Secretary</i></p> <p><i>Best Practise Awards</i></p> <p><i>Ian Lavery, Chair of the Labour Party</i></p>
17:15	<p>Votes <i>Justice and Home Affairs Report</i></p> <p><i>Housing, Transport and Local Government Report</i></p> <p><i>Environment, Energy and Culture PC Report</i></p>
17:20	<p>Contemporary Issues Priorities Ballot <i>Announcement of result of Contemporary Issues Priorities Ballot and compositing arrangements</i></p>
17:30	<p>Conference Adjourns</p>

Priorities Ballot and Compositing Meetings

The Priorities Ballot will take place today between 10.30am and 3pm to determine which contemporary motion subjects will be timetabled for debate.

The top four subjects selected by CLPs and the top four subjects selected by the affiliated organisations (trade unions and socialist societies) will be timetabled for debate (eight in total).

The results of the Priorities Ballot will be announced at the end of today's session of Conference. *The announcement will include the times and room numbers of the compositing meetings.*

Compositing Meetings

At least one delegate from each organisation with a contemporary motion subject successful in the Priorities Ballot should attend the relevant compositing meeting.

Compositing meetings will be held this evening in the Hilton Hotel on Brighton Seafront. This year the compositing meetings will be in the Duke's Suite of meeting rooms which is made up of the following rooms: Balmoral, Gloucester, Buckingham and Edinburgh. They are located on the ground floor of the hotel.

Start times will be staggered as there will be 8 compositing meetings. Most meetings will begin at 6.30pm but some will be later at 7.30pm or 8.00pm.

The purpose of the composite meetings is to:

- agree a composite motion for each of the topics successful in the Priorities Ballot which will be debated by Conference
- choose two delegates to move and second the composite motion when it comes up for debate. A detailed note on the compositing process will be issued to delegates at the compositing meetings or can be obtained in advance from the CAC Office.

The text of a composite motion must be drawn from the words used in the various motions submitted on the same subject.

Conference Sessions and Timetable

Sunday 25 September	10:30 – 12:45	09:30 – doors to Conference Hall
	14:15 – 17:30	
	<i>From 18:30</i>	<i>Compositing meetings</i> <i>For delegates of CLPs and affiliates successful in the Contemporary Motions Priorities Ballot. Meeting times and venues will be announced at the end of the Conference session. Start times will be staggered from 6.30 to 8pm.</i>
Monday 26 September	09:30 – 12:45	
	14:15 – 16:00	
	16:15 – 17:30	<i>Policy Seminars</i>
Tuesday 27 September	09:30 – 12:45	
	14:15 – 17:30	
Wednesday 28 September	09:00 - 10:00	<i>Policy Seminars</i>
	10:15 – 11:15	<i>Policy Seminars</i>
	12:15 – 14:00	Leader’s Speech

Conference Timetable

A detailed four day timetable is printed on the back page of this report.

Sale and distribution of material

The CAC does not permit the unauthorised sale or distribution of any material, including leaflets, within the Conference Centre. Stewards have been instructed to ensure that this ruling is strictly enforced

Conference Business

- a) Reports from the National Executive Committee (NEC)
 - NEC Annual Report including the 2016 annual accounts
 - NEC Constitutional Amendments
- b) Reports from the National Policy Forum (NPF) and the eight policy commissions: Economy, Business and Trade, International, Health and Social Care, Early Years, Education and Skills, Justice and Home Affairs, Housing Local Government and Transport, Work Pensions and Equality, Environment, Energy and Culture.
- c) Other items:
 - The Parliamentary Report from the Leader of the Labour Party – Leader’s Speech
 - Reports from the Labour Party in Scotland and Wales
 - Speakers from the Co-operative Party and the TUC
 - Composite Motions
 - Constitutional Amendments from the NEC and CLPs
 - Emergency Motions

Constitutional Amendments

Constitutional amendments (rule changes) will be debated on Tuesday morning.

The rule changes were printed in the Delegates’ Report which was given to delegates at their regional briefing. The NEC have also tabled an additional 3 constitutional amendments which are printed in the Addendum to the Delegates’ Report which was emailed to all delegates and is available in the Brighton Centre today.

All rule changes will be reprinted in the CAC’s Report on Tuesday morning for ease of reference. Delegates are reminded to bring their card vote booklets to this session.

Time Limits for Speakers

Movers of reports, motions and rule changes may speak for up to five minutes, and speakers from the floor will be allowed three minutes. The Conference Arrangements Committee will determine appropriate time limits for other speakers and will allow for as many delegates to participate in debates as possible.

Only fully accredited delegates appointed in accordance with the party rules are entitled to move motions on behalf of their organisations.

Ballots and Card Votes

Voting will be in the Ballot Area in the Brighton Centre on the ground floor. Delegates' passes will be scanned at the entrance to the Ballot Area.

Date	Ballot
Sunday 24 September <i>10:30 – 15:00</i>	Priorities Ballot – Contemporary Motions <i>All delegates</i>
Monday 25 September <i>09:00 – 16:00</i>	National Executive Committee Ballot <i>Trade Union and Socialist Society delegates</i>
Tuesday 26 September <i>09:00 – 17:30</i>	National Constitutional Committee <i>CLP delegates</i>

Card Votes

A card vote is intended to resolve a position where a show of hands is not decisive, to establish the exact breakdown of votes when the majority is of procedural significance (eg two-thirds required) or on a challenge to the Chair. Voting takes place at the end of the session by a show of hands. Where a show of hands is unclear a card vote can be taken having been either requested by delegates or by the decision of the Chair. The decision of the Chair is final.

Constitutional amendments (rule changes) are always decided by a card vote. If a card vote is called the vote is taken immediately so delegates must carry their card vote booklet with them while Conference is in session.

Tellers will pass ballot boxes along each row. Delegates should cast their vote using their card vote booklets by selecting either a YES or NO card for each vote. Each card vote in the booklet is numbered. The Chair will announce the number of the card vote being taken.

Card Vote Booklets

- Constituency delegates should collect their card vote booklets at the delegates' briefings to be hosted by each English region and the Welsh Labour parties in Brighton on Sunday morning before Conference starts. The Scottish Labour Party's delegates' briefing is on Saturday evening. Alternatively, card vote booklets may be collected from the Ballot Area from 12 noon on Sunday.
- Socialist Society delegates may collect their card vote booklets from the Ballot Area from 10.30am on Sunday.
- Trade Union delegates: political officers can collect the card votes for their delegation from the Ballot Area from 2pm on Saturday or call Jane Shaw on 07703 716827 to arrange.

Please speak to the staff in the Ballot Area if you lose your card vote booklet or if you have any queries about ballots or voting.

Ballot and card vote results

The result of card and ballot votes in which all delegates participate are weighted to give 50% of the total votes cast to CLPs and 50% of the total votes cast to other affiliates. Abstentions are not recorded. The results of card votes will be announced to Conference and published in the CAC reports.

Policy documents and Reference Back

Following a rule change agreed last year, Conference now has the right to “refer back” part of any National Policy Forum policy document. This ability specifically applies only to policy documents and statements.

The Conference Arrangements Committee (CAC) have agreed a process for how this will be handled by Conference. This is as follows:

- If a delegate wishes to Reference Back part of a document then they should indicate this during the relevant debate, and raise the issue at the platform.
- Where a delegate moves a Reference Back the Chair will ask them to remain at the lectern and confirm:
 1. Which precise section of the document they wish to refer back; and
 2. Briefly outline the basis upon which they wish to do so.
- The Chair will summarise this to Conference and, in the next round of speakers, ask specifically for speakers who may wish to agree or disagree with the Reference Back.
- At the end of the session the Chair will ask if Reference Back is agreed. The Chair will look to agree issues by consensus where possible. If this is not possible the Chair can call a vote. It will be at the Chair’s discretion as to whether this is done by show of hands or whether a formal card vote is necessary.
- In the event of a vote being called it will be taken prior to the vote on the whole policy document.
- Where Conference agrees issues to be Referenced Back they will be passed back to the relevant NPF Policy Commission which will be asked to look at them again, formally reporting back on this work in their Annual Report to Conference the following year.

Given this is the first year that this rule change will be in effect, the CAC will keep the procedure under review.

Policy Seminars

All attendees at conference have the opportunity to attend policy seminars, however priority will be given to delegates and ex-officio attendees and they will be dealt with on a first come, first served basis. All seminars will be held in the Hilton Hotel on Brighton Seafront.

If you wish to attend a policy seminar and require BSL interpretation, please speak to the disability coordinator before the event, they can be contacted on 07545 421 411.

Seminar	Day	Time
International	Mon	16:15-17:30
Economy, Business and Trade	Mon	16:15-17:30
Justice and Home Affairs	Mon	16:15-17:30
Brexit	Weds	09:00-10:00
Early Years, Education and Skills	Weds	09:00-10:00
Housing, Local Government and Transport	Weds	09:00-10:00
Health and Social Care	Weds	10:15-11:15
Environment, Energy and Culture	Weds	10:15-11:15
Work, Pensions and Equality	Weds	10:15-11:15

Report from Women's Conference

Women's Conference Arrangements Committee

The results of the ballots that took place at Women's Conference are as follows:

Women's CAC – CLP Section

Elected: Jean Crocker, Teresa Clark

Women's CAC – Affiliate Section

Elected: Anne Dean, Linda Hobson

Policy debates

Following a rule change at Annual Conference 2016, this year for the first time Women's Conference has a formal voice in Labour's policy making process.

The top two topics as chosen by CLPs and the top two topics as chosen by Affiliates in the ballot held prior to Women's Conference went forward for debate. These were:

CLPs:

NHS and Social Care

Housing

Affiliates:

Economic and business policy

Foreign policy and Brexit

A full report from Women's Conference will be tabled at the next meeting of the Joint Policy Committee (JPC). All supporting statements received will be referred to the National Policy Forum policy commissions and considered as part of their work on future policy documents. A written report outlining the debates held at Women's Conference will also be circulated.

Given that this is the first Women's Conference under the new rules, the WCAC will review these processes as they continue to develop the policy making role of Women's Conference.

Correction to the NEC General Election Report

Since its publication, it has been noted that there was a mistake in the NEC General Election report. On page 87 the candidates that stood in election were listed but two names were omitted in error, they are printed below.

North Herefordshire	Roger Page
Redditch	Rebecca Blake

NPF Report Addendum: International

The following text, as agreed in the Labour Party Manifesto 2017, is now included in the National Policy Forum Annual Report 2017. On page 56, column 2, line 43, add:

“There can be no military solution to this conflict and all sides must avoid taking action that would make peace harder to achieve. That means both an end to the blockade, occupation and settlements, and an end to rocket and terror attacks. Labour will continue to press for an immediate return to meaningful negotiations leading to a diplomatic resolution. A Labour government will immediately recognise the state of Palestine.”

Contemporary Motion Subjects in the Priorities Ballot

The Conference Arrangements Committee has agreed that the contemporary motions in the 13 subject groupings listed below will be included in the Contemporary Motions Priorities Ballot which will be held today between 10.30pm and 3.00pm in the Ballot Area. See Appendix 1 for the full text of each contemporary motion.

Access to Education

Broxbourne CLP

Ban 'Conversion Therapy'

City of Chester CLP

Brexit

Bridgend CLP

Edinburgh Northern and Leith CLP

Edinburgh Southern CLP

Edinburgh Western CLP

Epsom and Ewell CLP

Finchley and Golders Green CLP

Glasgow Cathcart CLP

Guildford CLP

Holborn and St Pancras CLP

Keighley CLP

Labour Movement for Europe

Labour Party Irish Society

Labour Students

Leicester South CLP

Lewisham Deptford CLP

Lewisham West and Penge CLP

Loughborough CLP

Norwich North CLP

Orpington CLP

Paisley CLP

Scientists for Labour

Streatham CLP

The Society of Labour Lawyers

The Wrekin CLP

Tonbridge and Malling CLP

Weston-Super-Mare CLP

Young Labour

Grenfell Tower

Association of Labour Councillors

Cardiff Central CLP

Central Devon CLP

Chelsea and Fulham CLP

Chinese for Labour

FBU

Mid Sussex CLP

Norwich South CLP

Twickenham CLP

Growth and Investment

ASLEF

CWU

Dundee City East CLP

Ogmore CLP

Sheffield Heeley CLP

UNITE the Union

Housing

Aldershot CLP

Arundel and South Downs CLP

Birmingham, Northfield CLP

Bristol South CLP

Bromsgrove CLP

Gravesham CLP

Hampstead and Kilburn CLP

Hornsey & Wood Green CLP

Horsham CLP

Huddersfield CLP

Liverpool Riverside CLP

South West Wiltshire CLP

Tottenham CLP

Walthamstow CLP

West Ham CLP

Witney CLP

LearnDirect

Newbury

NHS

Amber Valley CLP

Birmingham, Ladywood CLP

Bootle CLP

Braintree CLP

Brentwood and Ongar CLP

Bristol East CLP

Chelmsford CLP

Chipping Barnet CLP

Colchester CLP

Dover CLP

Epping Forest CLP

Gateshead CLP

Hackney North and Stoke Newington
CLP

Hertsmere CLP

Hexham CLP

Ipswich CLP

Isle of Wight CLP

Islington South and Finsbury CLP

Jarrow CLP

Liverpool Wavertree CLP

Maldon CLP

Meriden CLP

Mid Dorset and North Poole CLP

Newcastle Upon Tyne Central CLP

Newcastle-Under-Lyme CLP

Oxford West and Abingdon CLP

Putney CLP

Rochford and Southend East CLP

Shrewsbury and Atcham CLP

Socialist Health Association (SHA)

Somerton and Frome CLP

Southend West CLP

Staffordshire Moorlands CLP

Stalybridge and Hyde CLP

Stevenage CLP

Stone CLP

Sutton and Cheam CLP

Totnes CLP

Warwick and Leamington CLP

Winchester CLP

North Korea

Vale of Glamorgan CLP

Public Sector Pay

Bolsover CLP

COMMUNITY

Glasgow Provan CLP

UNISON

Rail

Doncaster Central CLP

Peterborough CLP

Social Care

Blaydon CLP

Poole CLP

Weaver Vale CLP

Workers' Rights

Charnwood CLP

Dulwich and West Norwood CLP

GMB

Middlesbrough CLP

Newcastle Upon Tyne East CLP

Thirsk and Malton CLP

USDAW

Ynys Mon CLP

Contemporary Motions referred to the National Policy Forum

The submissions from the following organisations do not fulfill the CAC's criteria for contemporary motions and will not be included in the Priorities Ballot. They will be referred to the NPF after Conference for further consideration.

Bedford CLP	Lancaster and Fleetwood CLP
Bournemouth East CLP	Leeds West CLP
Bournemouth West CLP	Ludlow CLP
Brentford and Isleworth CLP	Maidenhead CLP
Broadland CLP	Maidstone and the Weald CLP
Bury St Edmunds CLP	Mid Norfolk CLP
Caithness, Sutherland and Ross CLP	Newton Abbot CLP
Cardiff South and Penarth CLP	North Dorset CLP
Cardiff West CLP	North Durham CLP
Castle Point CLP	North Norfolk CLP
Christchurch CLP	North Thanet CLP
Cleethorpes CLP	North West Durham CLP
Colne Valley CLP	Northampton South CLP
Crawley CLP	Oldham East and Saddleworth CLP
Delyn CLP	Oxford East CLP
Edinburgh Pentlands CLP	Reigate CLP
Enfield North CLP	Rossendale and Darwen CLP
Fareham CLP	Sittingbourne and Sheppey CLP
Forest of Dean CLP	Socialist Educational Association (SEA)
Fylde CLP	South Leicestershire CLP
Glasgow Kelvin CLP	St Austell and Newquay CLP
Glasgow Southside CLP	Stoke-On-Trent North CLP
Hackney South and Shoreditch CLP	Stroud CLP
Harlow CLP	Taunton Deane CLP
Harrow West CLP	Tooting CLP
Hemel Hempstead CLP	Uxbridge and South Ruislip CLP
Henley CLP	Wantage CLP
Hitchin and Harpenden CLP	Wealden CLP
Houghton and Sunderland South CLP	Westminster North CLP
Kingston Upon Hull North CLP	Wokingham CLP

Contemporary Motions referred to the NEC

The submissions from the following CLPs do not fulfill the CAC's criteria for contemporary motions and will not be included in the Priorities Ballot. They have been referred to the NEC for further consideration after Conference.

Aberconwy CLP
Edmonton CLP
Halton CLP
Nottingham South CLP
Penistone and Stocksbridge CLP

Emergency Motions

The following organisations have submitted emergency motions which are being considered by the Conference Arrangements Committee.

Bournemouth West CLP	Ludlow CLP
Bournemouth East CLP	Maidenhead CLP
Brigg and Goole CLP	Newcastle North CLP
Brighton Pavilion CLP	North West Norfolk CLP
Bristol East CLP	Norwich North
Bristol South CLP	South Derbyshire CLP
Bromsgrove CLP	Stroud CLP
Chingford and Woodford Green CLP	Sutton and Cheam CLP
Christchurch CLP	Taunton Deane CLP
Dorset South CLP	Tottenham CLP
GMB	TSSA
Harrow East CLP	Unite the Union
Labour International	Wakefield CLP

Appendix 1 - Text of contemporary motions in the Priorities Ballot

ACCESS TO EDUCATION

Conference notes the recent legal action taken against St. Olave's Grammar School in Bromley by a number of families following the exclusion of sixteen Sixth Form students half way through their A Level studies.

Conference also notes with concern that these students were asked to leave after failing to obtain specific grades at AS Level and during internal assessments. Other students were asked to sign contracts reserving the school the right to ask them to leave at a later date should they fail to achieve certain grades.

Conference further notes that it is unlawful under Paragraph 13 of the Department for Education's Statutory Exclusion Guidance for a student to be excluded on the basis of academic attainment. The right to a full education for everyone is a fundamental value shared by everyone in this room and underpins our values as a Party. A Labour government should ensure that all academic institutions are complying fully with their duty to discount academic attainment when decisions about exclusions are considered.

Broxbourne CLP

BAN CONVERSION THERAPY

Following recent publicity on the abhorrent practice of 'conversion therapy', Chester CLP wishes to submit the following:

This conference notes that:

Conversion therapy refers to any form of treatment or psychotherapy which aims to reduce or stop same-sex attraction or to suppress a person's gender identity based on an assumption that being Lesbian, Gay, Bi or Trans is a mental illness that can be 'cured'.

In the UK, all major counselling and psychotherapy bodies, as well as the NHS, have concluded that conversion therapy is dangerous & harmful and have condemned it by signing a Memorandum of Understanding.

A 2009 survey of over 1,300 accredited mental health professionals found that more than 200 had offered some form of conversion therapy, with 35 per cent of patients referred to them for treatment by GPs and 40 per cent treated inside an NHS practice.

This conference believes that:

These therapies are both unethical, harmful and promote hateful values in society that homosexuality/bisexuality and being transgender is an 'illness'.

That use on under-18s is a form of child abuse.

That these 'therapies' are damaging with no qualified scientific support.

This conference therefore resolves that:

The Labour Party adopts policy to make conversion therapies illegal and use on under-18s be classed as a form of child abuse.

City of Chester CLP

BREXIT

This Conference notes

The August publication of the Government's position papers on a range of EU withdrawal matters including future UK-EU customs arrangements:

And believes that these recent papers reveal that the current approach risks job losses and loss of rights for workers:

Further, notes the Treasury estimate that moving from the "soft" Brexit of the European Economic Area (EEA) (which could see tax revenue fall by £20bn) to the "hard" Brexit of a Canadian-type deal is estimated to cost an additional £16bn each year, and that if the UK defaults to WTO trade rules, then the annual tax loss may be as high as £45bn (four times the annual public expenditure on English GPs):

And believes that Labour must urgently campaign against austerity that has harmed our public services:

And therefore calls upon the Labour Party to adopt a policy of remaining in the European Customs Union and Single Market through membership of the EEA.

**Norwich North CLP
Weston-Super-Mare CLP**

Conference notes that the government's various Brexit papers, released during the summer parliamentary recess to avoid scrutiny, show that the Tory Brexit threatens Britain's economy, security, environment and citizens' rights.

Conference considers it essential to avoid creating barriers to our main export market and subsequent job losses and reductions in tax revenue and investment.

Conference believes that the UK must avoid exclusion from essential European agencies such as the Medicines Agency and EURATOM, and is concerned that EU funding for research and for the regions will not be replaced.

Conference believes that immigration concerns can be addressed by using the pre-existing safeguards, notes that most migration to Britain is non-EU and is fully under UK regulatory control, and reaffirms that measures such as reinstating the Migrant Impact Fund, protection from undercutting of wages and increased education and training opportunities would also address concerns.

Conference insists that EU citizens' rights in the UK, and vice-versa, should be protected and legally enforceable.

Conference believes that, if the government fails to secure its promise of 'exactly the same' benefits and access for the UK as currently available, it should be consistently challenged.

Conference believes that any Brexit requires a period of transition, possibly including temporary EEA or EFTA participation.

Conference believes that, in the economic, social, political and international interests of Britain, Labour must oppose any Brexit deal that fails to meet these concerns and fulfil these objectives.

**Labour Movement for Europe
Leicester South CLP
The Society of Labour Lawyers**

Edinburgh Southern Constituency Labour Party, in light of the publication of the Government's Future Customs Arrangements position paper in August, calls upon the national Labour Party to adopt a policy of retaining membership of the Customs Union and the Single Market through remaining in the European Economic Area (EEA) at least for a period of transition; notes the Treasury estimate that moving from the "soft" Brexit of the EEA (which could see tax revenue fall by £20bn) to the "hard" Brexit of a Canadian-type deal costs an additional £16 billion each year (equivalent to 4 pence on the basic rate of Income Tax); further notes that if the UK defaults to WTO rules, then the annual, additional tax loss may be as high as £25 billion; is concerned that existing Labour Party policy of seeking access to the Single Market, or stressing function not form, is too risky as the UK is unlikely to be able to secure "the exact same benefits" to Single Market membership in negotiations; is further concerned that the current approach risks major economic harm and cuts to public service.

Edinburgh Southern CLP

Wrekin CLP Notes with concern the August publication of the Government's position papers on a range of EU withdrawal matters, including UK-EU custom arrangements. Believe that the Government's approach, which is revealed in these papers, risks job losses and loss of rights for British workers. Note with concern that the Treasury estimate of moving from the 'soft' Brexit of the European Economic Area (EEA) (which could see tax revenue fall by £20bn) to the 'hard' Brexit of a Canadian type deal is estimated to cost an additional £16bn each year and that if the UK defaults to WTO trade rules, then the annual tax loss may be as high as £45bn (four times the annual public expenditure on England GPs). Believe that Labour must urgently campaign against austerity that has harmed our public services. Therefore calls upon the Labour Party to adopt a policy of remaining in the European Customs Union and Single Market Membership of the EEA.

The Wrekin CLP

Edinburgh Western CLP calls upon the UK Labour Party to consider ways to retain the benefits of the Customs Union and the Single Market through remaining in the European Economic Area (EEA); notes the Treasury estimate that moving from the "soft" Brexit of the EEA (which could see tax revenue fall by up to £20bn) to the "hard" Brexit of a Canadian-plus type deal would cost an additional £16 billion each year (equivalent to 4p on the basic rate of Income Tax); further notes that if the UK defaults to WTO rules, then the annual additional tax loss may be as high as £25 billion; is concerned that the existing Labour Party policy, of seeking access to the Single Market, may fail to abate these tax losses if the UK is unable to secure the same benefits to Single Market membership in the negotiations.

Edinburgh Western CLP

This Party notes that: Government Brexit policy papers announced on 21st August 2017 are inconsistent with current realities and the Article 50 negotiations timetable.

The NPF 2017 Annual Report does not address the overarching consequences of Brexit and its impact on the ability of a future Labour government to execute redistributive policies. The UK is a representative democracy in which parliament is sovereign and has a historic duty to override the executive when it fails to act in the national interest. The August 2017 British Election Study report shows that large numbers voted Labour in the 2017 General Election as the best hope of stopping Brexit.

This party believes that: The government has abandoned any serious claim to serving the national interest or acting as responsible custodian of the economy. The promises of Brexit in most areas are false and substantively undeliverable.

This party welcomes: The 27/8/2017 clarification by our parliamentary leadership of its position regarding the Single Market and Customs Union.

This Party resolves to: Re-affirm its commitment to the six tests for supporting a Brexit deal set forth by Keir Starmer on 26/3/2017 and reiterated on 30/6/2017. Work across party lines both inside and outside parliament to prevent a destructive Brexit in any form. Support a parliamentary veto of the results of the Brexit negotiations in the event that the six tests are not met in full and seek to reverse the process of withdrawal from the EU.

Holborn and St Pancras CLP

Conference notes the free movement debate. On 31 July, the Tories announced plans to end free movement between the UK and EU.

On 16th August the Government's position paper about Northern Ireland demonstrated the difficulties in restricting the free movement rights of EEA nationals in Northern Ireland.

Stagnating wages, crumbling services and the housing crisis were caused by government and employers making the rich richer at working people's expense not immigration. We need massive public funding to ensure good jobs, homes, services and benefits for all; scrapping of anti-union laws and stronger rights so workers can push up wages and conditions; and communities uniting across divisions to win changes.

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Guildford CLP

Conference condemns the UK Government's harmful approach to the Brexit negotiations, as outlined in its recent policy papers.

Conference is in favour of continued membership of the single market and customs union because of their importance in protecting jobs, ending austerity, and protecting workers' rights.

Glasgow Cathcart CLP

This conference believes the Government Brexit proposals on the future border arrangements between the United Kingdom and the Irish Republic published on August 16th 2017 demonstrate an absence of any commitment to the Northern Ireland Peace Process. The absence of any detail on how free movement across the borders is to be achieved, betray the same contempt for the Peace Process as was demonstrated by the cynical parliamentary deal with the DUP. The stated aspiration of allowing free movement of Irish and UK citizens across the existing land border is entirely incompatible with the Conservative Government's declared intention of preventing free movement between the UK and the EU.

Conference agrees that if the Peace Process is to be preserved, maintaining the existing arrangements for free movement of people across the Irish/UK borders must be given the highest priority in any negotiations. It calls upon the Parliamentary Party to reject in its entirety any settlement which in any way imposes new restrictions or inhibitions on the freedom of people to travel freely between the two countries.

Edinburgh Northern and Leith CLP

We acknowledge the stance taken by Labour to stay inside the Single Market and Customs Union during a transitional period post Brexit as a step in the right direction. There are areas of the U.K. such as Wales which will be disproportionately affected by Brexit and we do not believe Labour's stance goes far enough, there is a need to protect the Welsh economy and Welsh Jobs, we call for a debate at conference to discuss whether we stay in the Single Market by remaining a member of the European Economic Area and the Customs Union.

Bridgend CLP

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Streatham CLP

Notes the August publication of the Government's position papers on a range of EU withdrawal matters including future UK-EU customs arrangements; And believes that these recent papers reveal that the current approach risks job losses, and loss of rights for workers; Further, notes the Treasury estimate that moving from the "soft" Brexit of the European Economic Area (EEA) (which could see tax revenue fall by £20bn) to the "hard" Brexit of a Canadian-type deal is estimated to cost an additional £16 billion each year, and that if the UK defaults to WTO trade rules, then the annual tax loss may be as high as £45 billion (four times the annual public expenditure on English GPs); And believes that Labour must urgently campaign against austerity that has harmed our public services; and therefore calls upon the Labour Party to adopt a policy of remaining in the European Customs Union and Single Market through membership of the EEA.

Epsom and Ewell CLP

Conference welcomes Sir Kier Starmer's recent statement on the need for transitional arrangements in order to protect jobs and workers' rights. Conference also demands that any agreement with the EU be ratified by Parliament.

Orpington CLP

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Lewisham West and Penge CLP

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Tonbridge and Malling CLP

Conference notes the August publication of the Government's position papers on a range of EU withdrawal matters including future UK-EU customs arrangements; And believes that these recent papers reveal that the current Government's approach risks job losses, loss of rights for workers, and damage to the scientific and technological base in the UK by blocking and impeding international collaboration; Further, notes the Treasury estimate that moving from the "soft" Brexit of the European Economic Area (EEA) (which could see tax revenue fall by £20bn) to the "hard" Brexit of a Canadian-type deal is estimated to cost an additional £16 billion each year, and that if the UK defaults to WTO trade rules, then the annual tax loss may be as high as £45 billion (four times the annual public expenditure on English GPs); Conference believes that Labour must urgently campaign against austerity that has harmed our public services; and therefore calls upon the Labour Party to adopt a policy of remaining in the European Customs Union and Single Market through membership of the EEA.

Scientists for Labour

Conference notes the 16 August publication of the Government's position paper Northern Ireland and Ireland in the context of the UK leaving the EU.

Conference notes that the UK government is a signatory to the 1998 Good Friday Agreement and has an obligation under international law to protect the agreement. With the requirement for rigorous impartiality between the Northern Ireland political parties already fatally undermined due to the Government's deal with the Democratic Unionist Party, Conference has no faith in the Government's sincerity in relation to upholding our obligations under the agreement through the Brexit negotiating process. Conference believes that the proposals outlined in the government's August position paper are unworkable, self-contradictory and incompatible with the government's stated aims of leaving the customs union and the single market and with ending freedom of movement.

Conference believes that these stated aims are simply not possible without a 'Hard Border' in Northern Ireland, which will not only put the peace process at risk but will threaten the jobs and livelihoods of people in both Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland.

Conference notes that the Irish Taoiseach also rejects the viability of a 'land border' . Without support from the Irish government, a disruptive 'Hard Border' is increasingly likely. Conference believes that Labour must campaign for a Brexit which includes viable solutions for the Northern Ireland border which protect the peace process and the Good Friday Agreement and maintain customs-free trade and free movement for UK and Irish citizens.

Labour Party Irish Society

Conference notes the August publication of the Government's position papers on a range of EU withdrawal matters including future UK-EU customs arrangements; And believes that these recent papers reveal that the Government's current approach risks job losses, loss of rights for workers and damage to the scientific base in the UK by making it harder for people to come from overseas to study and carry out research here; Further, notes the Treasury estimate that moving from the "soft" Brexit of the European Economic Area (EEA) (which could see tax revenue fall by £20bn) to the "hard" Brexit of a Canadian-type deal is estimated to cost an additional £16 billion each year, and that if the UK defaults to WTO trade rules, then the annual tax loss may be as high as £45 billion; And believes that Labour must urgently campaign against austerity that has harmed our public services; and therefore calls upon the Labour Party to adopt a policy of remaining in the European Customs Union and Single Market through membership of the EEA.

It further notes that withdrawal from Euratom could endanger supplies of medical isotopes as well as scientific research co-operation with European partners and calls on MPs to support the UK remaining as a full member of Euratom.

Loughborough CLP

Conference:

Welcomes Keir Starmer's announcement on September 3rd that Labour will seek to keep the UK within the European Customs Union and Single Market during any transitional period.

Notes the August publication of the Government's papers on EU withdrawal matters including future UK-EU customs arrangements and the leak in September of a Home Office paper that attacks migrants' rights. Believes that these recent papers reveal that the current approach risks job losses, and loss of rights for workers and migrants, whose contribution to our society should be celebrated.

Notes the Treasury estimate that moving from the "soft" Brexit of the EEA (which could see tax revenue fall by £20bn) to the "hard" Brexit of a Canadian-type deal is estimated to cost an additional £16 billion each year, and that if the UK defaults to WTO trade rules, then the annual tax loss may be as high as £45 billion (four times the annual public expenditure on English GPs)

Believes that Labour must urgently:

Campaign against austerity that has harmed our public services;

Campaign to maintain freedom of movement, protect and strengthen migrants' rights, workers' rights and environmental protection;

Scrap the net migration target.

Abolish immigration detention centres, ensure the right to family reunion and stop the use of landlords and NHS workers as border guards.

And therefore calls upon the Labour Party to adopt a policy of remaining in the European Customs Union and Single Market through membership of the EEA.

Finchley and Golders Green CLP

Conference notes Sir Keir Starmer's op-ed on post-Brexit transitional arrangements, published on 26 August. Conference respects the outcome of the 2016 Referendum, but notes that Britain leaving the EU without transitional arrangements represents a serious threat to the future prospects of younger generations.

Conference therefore calls on the party to ensure that any final deal includes transitional arrangements which maintain the same basic terms that we currently enjoy with the EU, including remaining in a customs union with the EU and within the single market during this period.

Conference further notes the leaked Home Office immigration policy paper which outlined the introduction of additional checks and restrictions on EU citizens studying in the UK.

Conference believes: that international students help create a diverse learning environment in UK Higher Education institutions; that introducing additional restrictions on international students studying in the UK will have a negative impact on Universities and students; that Labour must not let the uncertainties of Brexit compromise the ability of EU students to access UK Higher Education; and calls on the next Labour Government to ensure the rights of EU international students are protected and that international students are able to study in the UK freely.

Labour Students

Conference notes:

1. On 27th August Keir Starmer MP announced that the Labour Party will seek continued Single Market and Customs Union membership during a lengthy transitional period on leaving the EU.
2. A recent Economic and Social Research Council poll found that 4.2% and 2.4% of Labour Party members support leaving the Single Market and Customs Union, respectively.
3. The majority of the Labour Party and Trade Unions campaigned for Remain because EU (therefore Single Market) membership ensures workers and consumer rights and high environmental, safety and product standards.
4. We campaigned at the last General Election for a jobs first Brexit• .
5. Most Trade Unions and businesses support a transition period during which we would retain Single Market and Customs Union membership as the best way to protect the economy and jobs.
6. Single Market and Customs Union membership were not on the ballot paper. Norway, Iceland and (largely) Switzerland, are in the Single Market, but not the EU. Being outside allows greater domestic control over Freedom of Movement of Labour, agriculture and fishing policy. Single Market membership does not disrespect the referendum.

Conference believes:

1. The Single Market underpins many of our rights and protections, jobs, living standards, tax revenues and public services.
2. Leaving these two institutions could damage the UK, especially its less advantaged citizens.
3. The UK should remain within the Single Market and the Customs Union.

Conference resolves:

1. To campaign for Single Market and Customs Union membership.

Lewisham Deptford CLP

Conference notes that the government's various Brexit papers, released during the summer parliamentary recess to avoid scrutiny, show that the Tory Brexit threatens Britain's economy, security, environment and citizens' rights.

Conference considers it essential to avoid creating barriers to our main export market and subsequent job losses and reductions in tax revenue and investment. Conference also notes that the Tory Brexit proposals threaten the legal position of the both the Scottish Parliament and the Welsh Assembly and put in jeopardy the Northern Ireland Good Friday Agreement.

Conference believes that the UK must avoid exclusion from essential European agencies such as the Medicines Agency and EURATOM, and is concerned that EU funding for research and for the regions will not be replaced.

Conference believes that immigration concerns can be addressed by using the pre-existing safeguards, notes that most migration to Britain is non-EU and is fully under UK regulatory control, and reaffirms that measures such as reinstating the Migrant Impact Fund, protection from undercutting of wages and increased education and training opportunities would also address concerns.

Conference insists that EU citizens' rights in the UK, and vice-versa, should be protected and legally enforceable.

Conference believes that, if the government fails to secure its promise of exactly the same benefits and access for the UK as currently available, it should be consistently challenged.

Conference believes that any Brexit requires a period of transition, possibly including temporary EEA or EFTA participation. Conference believes that, in the economic, social, political and international interests of Britain, Labour must oppose any Brexit deal that fails to meet these concerns and those of the devolved regions of the United Kingdom and fulfil these objectives.

Paisley CLP

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Conference believes that concerns over immigration and public services can be addressed by using the pre-existing safeguards, notes that most migration to Britain is non-EU and is fully under UK regulatory control, and reaffirms that measures such as reinstating the Migrant Impact Fund, protection from undercutting of wages, increased education and training opportunities, and special support for areas undergoing rapid demographic change, would also address concerns.

Conference insists that EU citizens' rights in the UK, and vice-versa, should be protected and legally enforceable, and consideration given to the extension of voting rights to EU citizens.

Conference affirms that the Government should be held to account to secure its promise of 'exactly the same' benefits and access for the UK in relation to the EU as are currently available.

Conference asserts that, in the economic, social, political and international interests of Britain, Labour must oppose any Brexit deal that fails to meet these concerns and fulfil these objectives.

Keighley CLP

GRENFELL TOWER

Conference notes terms of reference for the Grenfell Tower Inquiry being announced by Sir Martin Moore-Bick on 10th August.

Conference sends heartfelt solidarity and support to the community impacted by this tragedy.

Conference recognises the tremendous efforts by a number of Labour Councils in their support to the Grenfell Community, in both the immediate aftermath and throughout the following weeks whilst Kensington & Chelsea Council failed residents at their time of need. The failure of Kensington & Chelsea is in stark contrast to other councils like Manchester, Islington and Southwark councils who have dealt with similar emergency situations with strong leadership this year.

Conference further pays tribute to the hard working first respondents who did such an outstanding job in the face of unimaginable conditions. As a society, we must make every effort to ensure that a similar tragedy never happens again. Conference calls on a future Labour Government to:

1. Ensure there is fair funding for local government to ensure that councils have the capacity to make the full safety checks needed to safeguard their communities.
2. Recognise the dedication of public servants like those who were there in the hour of need at Grenfell by removing the public sector pay cap.
3. Review all appropriate building regulations to make sure no housing or public building is put at risk by the use of inappropriate materials.
4. Lift the cap on HRA to empower local councils to play their part in ensuring good quality,

Association of Labour Councillors

The Grenfell Fire tragically exposed the inadequacy of building regulations and the failure to provide sufficient affordable social housing for the last 40 years. Conference calls for an immediate national campaign to re-instate the powers, responsibilities and resources, which includes consequential funding for devolved nations, for local authorities to regulate and inspect the safe construction of all buildings; and commits the incoming Labour Government to a major construction program of safe, affordable, energy efficient social housing sufficient to meet demand.

Cardiff Central CLP

It is noted that inquiry into Grenfell Tower will not consider the broader issues of the state of social housing in this country (August 15th 2017).

We believe there is an urgent need to address the crisis in social housing before further tragedies occur. We recognise that Grenfell is not an isolated case. Failures in social housing provision exist, not just in relation to cladding and insulation, but also in relation to wider issues of stigmatisation, under investment, lack of quality control and technical checks, failures of regulation, accountability and oversight and cuts to technical expertise within social housing organisations. Building homes should not be driven by profit for developers; policy should support provision by a range of organisations including local authorities, not for profit housing associations and housing co-operatives, building communities appropriate to their localities.

Party policy should be reviewed to ensure:

- Social housing is seen as an asset not a burden
- Secure, lifetime, tenancies
- Rents relate to average wage, not market forces
- Accountability is in place with a requirement that the controlling body (LA or HA) has the technical expertise in place to ensure quality control.
- Residents/tenants are involved, empowered and listened to. This includes training support, advocacy and involvement in planning and development as well as ongoing maintenance.
- Issues of rural social housing are included
- Financial resources are given transparently to social housing providers to meet these demands without cross subsidy from shared ownership and private development.

Central Devon CLP

Conference notes:

1. The tragic blaze at Grenfell Tower was a humanitarian catastrophe that should never have occurred.
2. The Conservative government failed to review & implement the fire-safety regulations recommended by the Lakanal inquest.
3. The scale of the disaster could have been mitigated had the residents' health & safety demands not been systematically ignored by public & private authorities.
4. The narrow pursuit of maximum profit and minimum costs was central to the decision to use hazardous non-fireproof cladding.
5. The government's continuing failure to rehouse residents locally in permanent accommodation has further undermined those affected.

Conference believes:

1. A criminal investigation should commence to ensure justice for victims, with all legal fees paid for by the government.
2. Resident concerns & experiences must remain central throughout all stages of the public inquiry.
3. The inquiry's scope should be broadened to explore the wider social and institutional failures that exist nationwide.
4. The fire-safety recommendations from the Lakanal inquest should be enforced immediately nationwide by a newly formed government body, with the involvement of the Fire Brigades Union.
5. Empty properties in the borough of Kensington & Chelsea should be requisitioned to rehouse those made homeless.
6. Labour should seek to nationalise the process of building social housing under the control and oversight of tenant associations and construction trade unions.

Chelsea and Fulham CLP

Conference notes the terms of reference for the Grenfell Tower inquiry is not fit for its purpose

for not including social housing policy, within the scope of that inquiry, and further notes that:

- the number of government-funded social rented homes started last year fell to fewer than 1,000, a 98% fall compared to 2010
- deep cuts to affordable housing budgets have meant the overall number of affordable homes to rent and buy built has fallen to a 24 year low
- the government are also failing younger families who want to buy a home with over 900,000 fewer under-45 households owning a home now than in 2010

In response conference resolves that the Labour Party should:

- continue to make the case for the vital importance of social housing in tackling the housing crisis
- pledge to build at least 100,000 genuinely affordable homes a year including a new generation of council housing
- trebling current build rates
- back those families on ordinary incomes who want to own their own home with discounted homes to buy, first dibs for local people on new homes built in their area, and a cut in stamp duty for first time buyers
- help renters with a cap on rent rises, longer tenancies and new minimum standards.

Chinese for Labour

Conference notes the publication of the terms of reference for the Grenfell Tower public inquiry, announced by the Prime Minister on 15 August 2017. Conference is appalled by the Grenfell Tower fire, the worst loss of life at a fire in living memory.

Conference stands in solidarity with the victims and will fight for justice for all those affected.

Conference applauds the response of firefighters, ambulance, local government and other workers to the immediate fire and its aftermath.

Conference welcomes the support provided by Labour's leadership, Labour MPs and Labour Party members for those involved and the commitment to ensure that those responsible are held to account.

Conference is disappointed with the public inquiry's narrow terms of reference, which have been widely criticised by survivors and others affected.

Conference notes that the inquiry does not intend to investigate social housing policy, deregulation, the scale of cuts to the fire and rescue service, local government and other sectors, as well as other attacks on public safety which contributed to this fire.

Conference fears that the inquiry is intended to let central government off the hook, by concentrating on local failures instead of examining decisions taken at Westminster.

Conference demands that the public inquiry:

1. Takes a wider remit and considers the broad range of issues requested by residents, trade unions and other interested parties.
2. Examines the whole deregulatory agenda of past governments since the 1980s and underlines the irreplaceable role of regulation in keeping communities safe.

FBU

The towering inferno of Grenfell is a human tragedy that will prove to have been preventable.

Conference will want all the survivors, families of those lost and others affected to know we understand their pain and offer sympathy, but above all support.

Conference notes that the Terms of Reference for an Inquiry, announced on 15 August 2017:

- Address crucial issues of the cause and spread of the fire
- Exclude broader social housing issues.

Conference endorses Jeremy Corbyn's letter to the Prime Minister, 17 August, expressing concern at the limited nature of the Inquiry.

Conference condemns the Prime Minister's acceptance of the Inquiry's limited Terms of Reference.

Conference affirms that underlying this human tragedy is austerity, in all its forms. The impact of austerity is felt greatest by public sector organisations, like local authorities, fire & rescue services and regulatory bodies and millions of people who rely on these bodies to ensure homes they live in are built to a standard 'Fit for heroes' .

Conference urges the Shadow Housing Minister to press the Government to:

- Announce immediately a timetable for completing a review, into social housing policy, including racial and ethnic discrimination
- Assign responsibility for the review to the Housing Minister
- Confirm the review will be published.

Mid Sussex CLP

The Grenfell fire wasn't just a tragic accident it was the consequence of decades of flawed public housing policy. The terms of reference for the public inquiry are largely restricted to the technical reasons why the fire happened and the immediate response to it. Of course these are crucial issues that need forensic investigation. But what is also critical for the survivors of the fire, the community and indeed for the future of public housing is a much wider investigation into the wider housing, economic and social issues that lie behind the fire. Labour should promote an open public inquiry with the relevant trade unions, representatives of the Grenfell residents, and tenant led groups. This would consider:- The effects of years of disinvestment, deregulation, denigration and privatisation on the marginalisation of public housing and of the tenants of public housing- The democratic deficit caused by arm's length management of council housing and the transfer of ownership of former council housing For the future it would examine how under a labour government committed to building thousands of new council homes:- Communities and tenants could have greater control of the places they live in and how the structures developed would enable the voices of every resident to be heard.- How major refurbishment of run down estates could be delivered without the selling off of public land to the detriment of existing tenants and local communities.

Norwich South CLP

To Note

On August 15th 2017 it was announced that social housing would not be considered as part of the Grenfell Tower Inquiry terms of reference.

On Sept 1st 2017 London Mayor Sadiq Khan wrote to the Prime Minister demanding the Government create a Social Housing Csar.

Kensington and Chelsea struck deals worth nearly £50m in the last year to allow developers to avoid having to build affordable homes.

At least 80 people died in the Grenfell fire.

Calls on the Labour Party to:

Champion residents of the Grenfell Tragedy in their fight for justice, and to be rehoused in social housing of their choice.

Develop proposals to reintroduce Local authority Direct Labour construction/maintenance services in all Labour Councils and campaign for its return in all local authorities.

Rapidly develop policies which reverse marketisation and reinstate social housing. Ensuring that Councils like Kensington and Chelsea are compelled to produce plans to provide a percentage of social housing that realistically addresses its Council House waiting list.

To demand that in all private development agreements, Councils are given powers to require a larger percentage of the the site/number of units of accommodation to be used for social housing.

To ensure that any monies from developers through Section 106 Agreements be used, wherever possible within the year of receipt, for the purposes of Housing and policies eradicating poverty and promoting equality

Force Councils to report annually regarding the provision of social housing, any Council failing to meet the requirements, being penalised.

GROWTH AND INVESTMENT

Conference condemns the Transport Secretary's statement on 22nd August which blamed "businesses, mayors and devolved authorities" in the north for poor rail infrastructure. This was especially crass in light of the electrification works he cancelled just weeks earlier.

Conference notes that successive Tory governments have failed to deliver the required funding to improve the UK's infrastructure and boost our economy.

Conference recognises that the latest World Economic Forum report ranked the UK 24th out of 138 countries on the perceived quality of its infrastructure and that the UK invests less in infrastructure as a share of GDP compared with similar countries. Public investment in infrastructure pays for itself as evidenced by a report by the OECD which showed that investing 0.5% of GDP in infrastructure could boost overall GDP by almost 0.6% whilst reducing the nation's debt as a share of GDP by 0.2%.

Conference believes that infrastructure investment can improve the quality of jobs, skills and training and enhance the lives of citizens through improvements to housing, transport and the digital economy whilst also reducing carbon emissions.

Conference welcomes Labour's pledge to create a National Investment Bank to fund infrastructure projects and reaffirms that Labour's transport policy should include commitments to rail electrification and investment in new lines.

Conference calls for Labour's transport policy to include the creation of a publically owned rail freight infrastructure operator under the management of Network Rail to help ensure consistency of supply from this sector, particularly in undertaking infrastructure work.

ASLEF

Conference believes the commitment in the general election manifesto to public ownership and public investment are essential to building an economy that works for all. The Conservative austerity agenda has created a low pay, low productivity, unbalanced economy over-reliant on consumer debt.

In particular Conference endorses the manifesto commitment to re-nationalise Royal Mail at the earliest opportunity. On 14th September the CWU balloted over 100,000 postal workers in Royal Mail in the first national dispute since privatisation. Staff in Royal Mail are under relentless pressure to work faster and harder than ever before. Their pay, pension and terms and conditions are under attack while in just three and a half years Royal Mail has paid out almost £800m in dividends. This is the familiar story of privatisation and Conference expresses its solidarity with CWU members in Royal Mail. The postal industry as a whole is rife with exploitative employment models. Conference agrees that the liberalisation of the industry has driven a race to the bottom on terms and conditions and regulation must be overhauled as part of an industrial strategy to provide a new deal for workers. Public investment is essential to create good jobs, rebalance the economy and upgrade infrastructure.

Conference therefore also endorses the manifesto commitment to deliver universal superfast broadband by 2022 and to target the roll out of ultra-fast broadband within the next decade. Conference additionally believes a Post Bank can play a key role in providing banking services for SMEs and tackling financial exclusion.

CWU

Dundee CLP calls on this Conference to support the next Labour Government in adopting a National Infrastructure Plan with a long term strategic vision for jobs and growth that has at its heart the renationalisation of our country's ports. Our city and our country are being denied the basic infrastructure investment by private equity based in offshore tax havens such as the Cayman Islands, our city's port, owned and operated by Forth Ports / Arcus Equity, has been starved of investment since privatisation in 1996, our city needs a strong Labour Government with a plan to invest in our city, invest in our port and to invest in our people.

Dundee City East CLP

Ogmore CLP condemns the decision made by the UK Government not to proceed with full electrification of the South West Wales line between Cardiff and Swansea, as well as between Kettering, Nottingham and Sheffield, and between Windermere and Oxenholme. We believe that these areas require modern regional transport infrastructure investment to ensure future prosperity. Ogmore CLP abhors the fact that the announcement was made on the day that the UK Parliament went into summer recess, and without consultation about not to proceed with electrification of these rail lines. We ask Conference to call for this decision to be overturned.

Ogmore CLP

Conference notes August 2017 reports indicating an increasing decline in the UK economy and people's living standards:

1. the 10 August Office of National Statistics report that industrial production, manufacturing output and construction activity all declined in the April to June quarter, with the trade deficit widening;
2. and the 8 August British Retail Consortium report that food prices rose 2.6 per cent from January to June 2017.

And notes:

1. the economy significantly slowed down in the first half of 2017;
2. the Institute of Fiscal Studies has warned workers face the worst period for pay in at least 70 years, with 2021 real wages predicted lower than in 2008;
3. nearly a third of people in the UK live in household where there is not enough money for adequate food, clothing and housing and the basics of a social life, according to Research for the Joseph Rowntree Foundation;
4. Labour achieved a 9.6 per cent national vote share increase at June's General Election {Labour's largest increase since 1945}, standing on a clear anti-austerity manifesto.}

Conference believes:

1. Tory policies are responsible for the renewed deterioration in the economy, living standards and real wages;
2. a Labour government is needed which replaces Tory austerity with policies to deliver an economy that works 'for the many, not just the few';

Conference affirms Labour's 2017 manifesto commitments to increase public investment and establish a National Investment Bank - to stimulate growth, create good jobs, raise living standards and improve the public finance.

Sheffield Heeley CLP

ONS Labour market figures released on 16th August estimated real wages for employees fell by 0.5% compared with a year earlier. TUC analysis shows nominal wage growth is still approximately half of the average before the 2008 crash; real wages have not yet recovered and are not expected to until at least 2021. Work has become increasingly insecure. ONS GDP data on 24th August confirmed that per capita growth is below last year's.

Conference believes the Labour election manifesto put forward the economic strategy necessary to reverse these trends, transform our economy and provide decent work for all. Labour should continue to develop these plans to invest - such as in our social housing, public transport, communications and energy system, develop the National Investment Bank and National Transformation Fund, to ensure all communities benefit from economic growth and to rebalance our economy, sectorally and geographically. In stark contrast to the Tories, Labour's industrial strategy and commitment to strengthening trade union and worker rights, including collective bargaining, and develop quality apprenticeships would deliver decent work, greater security, equality and higher wages as part of creating sustainable economic growth.

Conference welcomes the commitment to using public procurement as an important mechanism in driving up working standards and in creating a stable environment to re-shore and strengthen our manufacturing base and supply chain. An economic strategy based on these foundations becomes more important given the economic uncertainty ahead under this government and was the basis to our popular pledges on the doorstep.

Unite the Union

HOUSING

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Conference calls upon all Labour MPs to support the Foundation's statement by opposing the welfare cap and demanding immediate government action to tackle the housing crisis.

Conference also calls upon Labour Councils to lead the way in delivering Labour's commitment to build the thousands of council homes that our communities urgently need. Conference recognises that the private sector will not deliver a solution to the housing crisis.

We, therefore, call upon Labour Councils, in areas where the need for social housing exceeds supply, to meet that need by:

- directly delivering construction and maintenance services that can guarantee high quality council housing, with secure tenancies and genuinely affordable rent;
- ensuring a sustainable means of meeting their local housing need by retaining ownership and control of available public land, and prohibiting both the transfer of land to private developers and engagement with flawed joint venture vehicles;
- supporting and strengthening those communities that rely on social housing by requiring at least 1:1 advance replacement, within the same neighbourhood, of council homes sold or demolished under regeneration schemes, and requiring 50 per cent of any additional housing to be genuinely affordable.

**West Ham CLP
Witney CLP**

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**Arundel and South Downs CLP
Gravesham CLP**

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Tottenham CLP

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Conference calls upon Labour MPs to support the Foundation's statement by opposing the welfare cap and demanding immediate government action to tackle the housing crisis. Labour MPs and the Labour Party to engage communities and the wider Labour Movement in a campaign for:

- the reversal of Government housing cuts;
- a regulatory framework that guarantees safe, high-quality and sustainable housing;
- an open, transparent and comprehensive Public Enquiry into the Grenfell fire.

Conference calls upon Labour Councils to take the lead in building the thousands of council homes that our communities need. Conference recognises that the private sector will not deliver a solution to the housing crisis and calls upon Labour Councils to meet housing need by:

- directly delivering construction and maintenance services that can guarantee high quality council housing, with secure tenancies and genuinely affordable rent;
- retaining ownership and control of available public land, and prohibiting the transfer of land to private developers and engagement with flawed joint venture vehicles;
- requiring at least 1:1 advance replacement, within the same neighbourhood, of council homes sold or demolished under regeneration schemes. Half of additional housing to be genuinely affordable.

Walthamstow CLP

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We, therefore, call upon Labour Councils to:

Directly deliver construction and maintenance services that can guarantee high quality council housing, with secure tenancies and genuinely affordable rent;

Ensure a sustainable means of meeting their local housing need by retaining ownership and control of available public land, and prohibiting both the transfer of land to private developers and engagement with flawed joint venture vehicles;

In addition, the party: Supports a moratorium on all regeneration projects until any inquiry finding has been published and the wider lessons of the Grenfell tragedy understood published and the wider lessons of the tragedy understood.

Supports full 'binding - ballot rights for estate residents in any ongoing and future regeneration projects. This would follow a comprehensive programme which fully involves residents and their representatives in understanding the economic, social and environmental consequences of any proposals.

Hampstead and Kilburn CLP

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We, therefore, call upon Labour Councils, in areas where the need for social housing exceeds supply, to meet that need by:

- directly delivering construction and maintenance services that can guarantee high quality and safe council housing, with secure tenancies and genuinely affordable rent;
- ensuring a sustainable means of meeting their local housing need by retaining ownership and control of available public land so that the council housing needed can be built;
- supporting and strengthening those communities that rely on social housing by requiring at least 1:1 replacement, within the same neighbourhood, of council homes sold or demolished under regeneration schemes, and requiring 50 percent of any additional housing to be genuinely affordable.

Horsham CLP

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Liverpool Riverside CLP

South West Wiltshire CLP believe, that once in office, Labour should take back all housing stock currently in the hands of housing associations, and place it under the control of local authorities. The Labour Government should ensure that councils are given the means to build as many additional council houses as is necessary to match the needs of all people - not just the most needy - but all those who do not own or rent additional accommodation.

Council housing must be let on a life tenancy basis to anyone wishing to be a tenant, once the most urgent needs have been satisfied. Never again must properties be sold, let through agents or turned into holiday homes etc.

For decades successive administrations have buried their heads to the crisis but we believe that we have a leader with the necessary integrity and commitment to put rights the previous wrongs.

We all agree that having a decent and secure home is a basic human right - as is a well-funded National Health Service. And if the Labour Government of 1945-1951 managed to introduce our NHS and build more than 800,000 council homes - when close to bankruptcy - then we can solve the present crisis - which shames us all.

But this can only be achieved by having the will and by giving the management back to elected local authorities.

South West Wiltshire CLP

Conference notes the Prime Minister's agreement of the terms of reference for the Grenfell

Tower inquiry on 15 August 2017, and the refusal to include failures of housing policy, including social housing policy, within the scope of that inquiry, and further notes that:

- the number of government-funded social rented homes started last year fell to fewer than 1,000, a 98% fall compared to 2010 when almost 40,000 social rented homes were started
- deep cuts to affordable housing budgets have meant the overall number of affordable homes to rent and buy built has fallen to a 24 year low
- council housebuilding remains at a very low level due to central government restrictions
- the government are also failing younger families who want to buy a home with over 900,000 fewer under-45 households owning a home now than in 2010

In response conference resolves that the Labour Party should:

- continue to make the case for the vital importance of social housing in tackling the housing crisis
- pledge to build at least 100,000 genuinely affordable homes a year including a new generation of council housing
- trebling current build rates
- back those families on ordinary incomes who want to own their own home with discounted homes to buy, first dibs for local people on new homes built in their area, and a cut in stamp duty for first time buyers
- help renters with a cap on rent rises, longer tenancies and new minimum standards.

Birmingham, Northfield CLP

Conference notes:

1. the Judicial Review application filed with the High Court on 7 August against a Labour-led council, aimed at halting the privatisation of at least £2bn of publicly owned homes and land;
2. the Joseph Rowntree Foundation's response to the DWP's benefit cap figures of 3 August, calling on the government to focus on addressing the serious lack of genuinely affordable housing
3. a number of local authorities have disposed or are proposing to dispose of public land directly or indirectly to developers without guaranteeing a marked increase in much needed social housing.

Conference calls on:

1. all Labour-led housing authorities to prioritise providing homes at social rents and to cease disposing of public land, council estates and commercial property for the benefit of private-sector housing and investment opportunities for the few;
2. all Labour councils to address the housing crisis by:
 - a. directly delivering construction and maintenance services with trade union rights to guarantee high-quality council housing, with secure tenancies and genuinely affordable rent;
 - b. ensuring a sustainable means of meeting local housing need by retaining 100% ownership and control of available public land, and prohibiting both the transfer of land to private developers and engagement with flawed joint-venture vehicles;
 - c. supporting and strengthening those communities that rely on social housing by requiring at least 1:1 advance replacement within the same neighbourhood of council homes sold or demolished under regeneration schemes, and requiring 50 per cent of any additional housing to be genuinely affordable.

Hornsey and Wood Green CLP

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Bromsgrove CLP

The extremely narrow terms of reference for the Grenfell Tower inquiry published on 15 August 2017 which do not include any consideration of the failure of social housing policy.

Conference further notes that despite the efforts of Labour-run councils the level of new council house building remains at a very low level, that in 2016 fewer than 1000 government-funded social rented homes to rent were started and that the total number of affordable homes to rent or buy is now at its lowest for a quarter of a century.

Conference also notes that councils across England are providing temporary housing for 120,000 children with their families and that rough sleeping has risen for the sixth year running.

In response conference resolves that the Labour Party should:- reaffirm the vital importance of social housing in tackling the housing crisis- reconfirm the manifesto commitment to build at least 100,000 council and housing association homes for genuinely affordable rent or sale- prioritise brownfield sites for the building of new homes- pledge to ensure all new homes in the United Kingdom are built to the highest safety, environmental and construction standards.

Bristol South CLP

Conference notes Shelter's research, published on 29 July 2014, showing that many 20 to 34 year old working adults have no choice but to remain living with their parents because of the lack of affordable housing. Shelter's Robb Campbell says that those that do not have the option of living with their parents face a lifetime of unstable, expensive private renting.

Conference also notes that the Communities and Local Government Select Committee report in 2014 into the impact of the Right To Buy Scheme states 'The number of dwellings owned by local authorities in England declined from 5.1 million in 1980 to 1.7 million in 2014.'

Conference notes the Crisis Homelessness monitor which states rough sleeping levels in England have increased by 132% since 2010 and by 16% since 2015. The table below shows there are regional trends to these patterns. The levels of increase have been higher in the South of England at 166% and London at 132% since 2010. Conference believes that the Right to Buy scheme is making the housing crisis worse by cutting the number of affordable, social housing for the poorest and most vulnerable in our society leading to the continued rise in the number of adults still living with their parents and homelessness. Conference calls on the next Labour Government to end the Right to Buy Scheme to ensure that the overall supply of social housing is increased and to oppose and further attempts to extend Right to buy.

Huddersfield CLP

Conference welcomes the proposals, announced by Jeremy Corbyn on 14th August 2017, to create a new department to tackle the housing crisis, which is now rapidly worsening because of the Tory Government continuing with its failed policy of austerity, to provide genuinely affordable housing for all those in need at rents at no more than one-third of average weekly earnings for the local authority area.

Conference therefore calls on the next Labour Government to prioritise giving local authorities the resources to build the genuinely affordable housing that they need to meet the demand in their areas, including implementing new powers under planning regulations to ensure that, with all new developments, at least half is genuinely affordable housing.

Conference further recognises the success of the compulsory landlord-registration scheme of the London Borough of Newham, and so calls on the next Labour Government to require all local authorities to have landlord-registration schemes to improve standards in the private rented sector and to share information with HMRC so as to crack down on landlords failure to declare rental income.

Aldershot CLP

LEARNDIRECT

Conference notes:

1. On 15 August the Government announced that it would stop all funding for the adult learning provider LearnDirect following an Ofsted inspection report which branded the organisation Inadequate
2. LearnDirect was set up by the Labour Government in 2000 as a not-for-profit provider of online adult learning. It has become the single largest provider of further education.
3. LearnDirect was privatised in 2011 by the Coalition Government.
4. The court case seeking to suppress the publication of the Ofsted report heard that since Learndirect was acquired by LDC four years ago, 84 per cent of its cash generated was paid to its managers and financiers
5. Our 2017 General Election manifesto pledged that Labour would introduce free, lifelong education in Further Education (FE) colleges, enabling everyone to upskill or retrain at any point in life

Conference believes:

1. Labour must demand that Government immediately seek to nationalise LearnDirect to ensure a publicly-owned, not-for-profit online lifelong learning service remains available.
2. Labour's proposed National Education Service should include a nationalised LearnDirect as its free-to-use online learning element.
3. This online adult learning offer should be promoted widely as part of our industrial strategy to support workers to upskill and reskill, particularly as industries adapt and new industries

Newbury CLP

NHS

Conference notes:

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This Conference congratulates our Party for its manifesto commitment to restore our NHS by reversing privatisation and halting and reviewing STPs. It therefore calls on the party to oppose and reverse not only cuts but also 5YFV policy, which includes:

- creating ACSs
- replacing 7500 GP surgeries with 1500 "superhubs "
- downskilling clinical staff.
- reclassifying NHS services as chargeable, means-tested social care
- cementing the private sector role, e.g. as ACS partners and/or as combined health and social-care service providers.

This CLP recognises this process is too advanced for mere amendment of the 2012 Health & Social Care Act to be effective. It calls for our next manifesto to include existing Labour policy to restore our fully funded, comprehensive, universal, publicly-provided and owned NHS without user charges, as per the NHS (Reinstatement) Bill.

Braintree CLP
Gateshead CLP
Hackney North and Stoke Newington CLP
Hexham CLP
Mid Dorset and North Poole CLP
Shrewsbury and Atcham CLP

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Jarrow CLP
Totnes CLP

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- cementing the private sector role as ACS partners and as combined health/social care service providers.

Conference recognises that reversing this process demands more than amending the 2012 Health & Social Care Act and calls for our next manifesto to include existing Party policy to restore our fully-funded, comprehensive, universal, publicly-provided and owned NHS without user charges, as per the NHS Bill (2016-17).

Dover CLP
Bristol East CLP
Liverpool Wavertree CLP
Newcastle-Under-Lyme CLP
Newcastle-Upon-Tyne CLP
Socialist Health Association
Stalybridge and Hyde CLP

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- downskilling clinical staff
- reclassifying NHS services as means-tested social care,
- cementing the private sector role as Accountable Care System partners and as combined health/social care service providers.

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Chipping Barnet CLP

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Conference reaffirms its manifesto commitment to restore our NHS by reversing its privatisation and halting Sustainability and Transformation Partnerships. We therefore call on the Party to oppose and reverse funding cuts (ideally meeting Western European levels) but also 5 Year Forward View policy:

- creating Accountable Care Systems;
- replacing 7500 GP surgeries with 1500 superhubs• ;
- downskilling clinical staff.
- reclassifying NHS services as means-tested social care• ;
- cementing the private sector role as Accountable Care System partners and as combined health/social care service providers.

Conference recognises that reversing this process demands more than amending the 2012 Health & Social Care Act and calls for our next manifesto to include existing Party policy to restore our fully-funded, comprehensive, universal, publicly-provided and owned NHS without user charges, as per the NHS Bill (2016-17).

Staffordshire Moorlands CLP

Conference notes:

- NHS Accountable Care System (ACS) contracts (announced 7 August) provide for 44+ local health services to replace England's NHS.
- On 9 August the House of Commons Library revealed doubling of the number of NHS sites being sold off.
- NHS data released 10 August shows lack of investment and poor treatment of NHS staff, increased cancellations and waiting times. US-style ACSs will replace NHS hospitals with down-skilled community units. These plans and asset sales are being implemented because of the 5FYFV, via STPs.

Conference calls on the Party to oppose the 5YFV, STPs and Naylor recommendations for NHS land/asset sales; and to campaign for:

- restoring the Health Secretary's duty to provide an NHS
- ending private involvement in NHS management and provision
- ending service cuts and closures
- increasing recruitment and training
- increasing beds per thousand to European average
- increasing funding to European average
- scrapping pay caps
- restoring Bursaries
- a nationalised Social Care system integrated with the NHS
- prioritising child health
- a controlled end to PFI/PF2
- reduced waiting times
- safe staffing legislation
- engagement with NHS staff organisations
- employment of EU nationals
- tackling causes of ill-health
- excluding NHS from free trade agreements.

We call for our next manifesto to reaffirm Labour's policy to reinstate a publicly provided, funded, accountable and charge-free NHS. Labour created our NHS. Now Labour must restore it.

Sutton and Cheam CLP

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It therefore calls on the party to oppose and reverse not only cuts but also 5YFV policy, which includes:

- creating ACS
- replacing 7500 GP surgeries with 1500 "superhubs"
- downskilling clinical staff reclassifying NHS services as chargeable, means-tested social care
- cementing the private sector role, e.g. as ACS partners• and/or as combined health and social-care service providers.

This CLP recognises this process is too advanced for mere amendment of the 2012 Health & Social Care Act to be effective. It calls for our next manifesto to include existing Labour policy to restore our fully funded, comprehensive, universal, publicly-provided and owned NHS without user charges, as per the NHS (Reinstatement) Bill.

Chelmsford CLP
Colchester CLP

Conference notes:

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This Conference congratulates our Party for its manifesto commitment to restore our NHS by reversing privatisation and halting and reviewing STPs. It therefore calls on the party to also oppose and reverse 5YFV policy, including:

- creating ACSs
- replacing 7500 GP surgeries with 1500 "superhubs"
- downskilling clinical staff.
- reclassifying NHS services as chargeable, means-tested social care.
- cementing the private sector role, e.g. as ACS partners and/or as combined health and social-care service providers.

This CLP recognises this process is too advanced for mere amendment of the 2012 Health & Social Care Act to be effective. It calls for our next manifesto to include existing Labour policy to restore our fully funded, comprehensive, universal, publicly-provided and owned NHS without user charges, as per the NHS (Reinstatement) Bill and to ensure national collective bargaining.

Somerton and Frome CLP

Conference notes:

That NHS Accountable Care System contracts announced on 7 August impose a basis for 44+ local bodies to replace England's NHS, bypassing Parliamentary debate and legislative process.

On 9 August, the House of Commons Library revealed a doubling of NHS sites proposed for sale, 117 of which currently provide clinical services. Accountable Care Systems, like their US counterparts, would provide limited services on restricted budgets, replacing many NHS hospitals with deskilled community units. This would further damage indicators such as life expectancy, already stalled since 2010. Both the ACSs and the asset sell-off serve to deliver the Five Year Forward View currently being implemented via Sustainability and Transformation Programmes.

Conference reaffirms its manifesto commitment to restore our NHS by reversing its privatization, repealing the Health and Social Care Act, and halting Sustainability and Transformation Programmes. We call on the Party to oppose and reverse:

- funding cuts (raising funding to Western European levels);
- the sell-off of NHS sites (more beds are needed according to the Nuffield Trust, not less);
- Five Year Forward View policy which:
 - facilitates Accountable Care Systems, which should be rejected;
 - replaces 7500 GP surgeries with 1500 superhubs;
 - downskills clinical staff;
 - reclassifies NHS services as means-tested social care• ;
 - cements the private sector's role as Accountable Care System partners• and as combined
 - health/social care service providers.

Conference reaffirms Party policy to restore our fully-funded, comprehensive, universal, publicly- provided and owned NHS without user charges, as per the NHS Bill (2016-17).

Oxford West and Abingdon CLP

Conference notes that the NHS Accountable Care System (ACS) contracts announced on 7 August impose a basis for 44+ local health services to replace England's NHS. This has bypassed Parliamentary debate and due legislative process.

On 9 August, the House of Commons Library revealed a doubling of the number of NHS sites proposed for sale. Of these, 117 currently provide clinical services. Conference calls on the Labour Party to commit to restore our NHS by reversing its privatisation and permanently halting Sustainability and Transformation Partnerships/Plans. Conference therefore calls on the Labour Party to:

1. Oppose creating Accountable Care Systems
2. Oppose replacing 7,500 GP surgeries with 1,500 "superhubs".
3. Oppose down skilling clinical staff
4. Oppose reclassifying NHS services as means-tested social care•
5. Commit to doing away with the creation of the 5 Year Forward View currently being implemented, replacing it with a plan for the improvement of Health and Social Care services
6. Reverse this process by demanding more than amending the 2012 Health & Social Care Act

Conference therefore calls on the Labour Party to call for our next manifesto to include restoring our fully-funded, comprehensive, universal, publicly-provided and owned NHS and Health and Social Care without user charges, as exemplified by the NHS Bill (2016-17).•

Putney CLP

Conference notes:

Accountable Care System (ACS) contracts announced in August impose a basis for 44+ health services replacing England's NHS, bypassing Parliamentary debate and legislative process.

In August, the House of Commons Library revealed a doubling of the number of NHS sites proposed for sale. 117 of these currently provide clinical services.

ACSs will provide limited services on restricted budgets, replacing NHS hospitals with deskilled community units. This will worsen life expectancy, stalled since 2010. The ACSs and asset sell-off result directly from the 5 Year Forward View (5YFV) currently being implemented via Sustainability and Transformation Partnerships. 5YFV reflects healthcare multinationals' global policy aims, which will:

- create ACSs;
- replace 7500 GP surgeries with 1500 superhubs• ;
- downskill clinical staff;
- reclassify NHS services as means-tested social care;
- cement the private sector role as ACS partners and as combined health/social care service providers

Opposition to funding cuts and the 5YFV, demands more than amending the 2012 Health & Social Care Act. Our manifesto must include:

- restoration of a comprehensive, universal & free, publicly-provided and owned NHS;
- support for the NHS (Restoration)Bill;
- adequate funding for all services, including mental health services;
- integration with a Social Care system which is also publicly funded and provided;
- urgent reductions in waiting-times;
- scrapping the Tories' austerity cap on pay-levels;
- restoration of bursaries for students;
- tackling the causes of ill-health, e.g. austerity, poverty and poor housing, via a properly funded
- public health programme:
- no service closures (or reconfigurations) without genuine local consultation and consent.

Meriden CLP

Conference notes:

The NHS Accountable Care System (ACS) contracts announced on 7 August impose a basis for 44+ local health services to replace England's NHS, bypassing Parliamentary debate and legislative process.

On 9 August, the House of Commons Library revealed a doubling of the number of NHS sites proposed for sale. 117 of these currently provide clinical services. Like their US templates, ACSs will provide limited services on restricted budgets, replacing NHS hospitals with deskilled community units. This will worsen health indicators like the long term increase in life expectancy, stalled since 2010. The ACSs and asset sell-off result directly from the 5 Year Forward View (5YFV) currently being implemented via Sustainability and Transformation Partnerships (STPs). The 5YFV precisely reflects healthcare multinationals global policy aims.

Conference reaffirms its manifesto commitment to restore our NHS by reversing its privatisation and halting STPs. We therefore call on the Party to oppose and reverse funding cuts (ideally meeting Western European levels) but also 5YFV policy:

- creating ACSs;
- replacing 7500 GP surgeries with 1500 "superhubs"
- downskilling clinical staff
- reclassifying NHS services as means-tested social care
- cementing the private sector role as ACS partners and as combined health/social care service providers.

Brentwood and Ongar CLP

This CLP notes that:

The NHS Accountable Care System (ACS) contracts announced on 7 August impose a basis for 44+ local health services to replace England's NHS. This has bypassed Parliamentary debate and due legislative process.

On 9 August, the House of Commons Library revealed a doubling of the number of NHS sites being sold off. 117 of these currently provide clinical services. Like their US templates, ACSs will provide limited services on restricted budgets, replacing NHS hospitals with deskilled community units. The ACSs and asset sell-off are fruits of the 5 Year Forward View (5YFV) currently being implemented via the Sustainability and Transformation Partnerships (STPs). The 5YFV meticulously reproduces global policy aims formulated by healthcare multinationals.

This CLP congratulates our Party for its manifesto commitment to restore our NHS by reversing its privatisation and halting and reviewing STPs. It therefore calls on the party to oppose and reverse not only cuts but also 5YFV policy, which includes:

- creating ACS
- replacing 7500 GP surgeries with 1500 “superhubs”
- downskilling clinical staff.
- reclassifying NHS services as chargeable, means-tested social care.
- cementing the private sector role, e.g. as ACS partners• and/or as combined health and social-care service providers.

This CLP recognises this process is too advanced for mere amendment of the 2012 Health & Social Care Act to be effective. It calls for our next manifesto to include existing Labour policy to restore our fully funded, comprehensive, universal, publicly-provided and owned NHS without user charges, as per the NHS (Reinstatement) Bill.

Maldon CLP

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Conference reaffirms its manifesto commitment to restore our NHS by reversing its privatisation and halting STPs. We therefore call on the Party to oppose and reverse funding cuts (ideally meeting Western European levels) but also 5YFV policy:

- creating ACSs;
- replacing 7500 GP surgeries with 1500 'superhubs'
- downskilling clinical staff.
- reclassifying NHS services as means-tested social care cementing the private sector role as ACS partners and as combined health/social care service providers.

Conference recognises that reversing this process demands more than amending the 2012 Health & Social Care Act and calls for our next manifesto to include existing Party policy to restore our fully-funded, comprehensive, universal, publicly-provided and owned NHS without user charges, as per the NHS Bill (2016-17).

Bootle CLP

Conference notes:

Ministers have ignored the 'Winter Warning' from NHS Providers that £350m of extra funding was needed by August to avoid the risk of serious service failures this winter.

The costly and wasteful fragmentation of the NHS into a competitive market, entrenched by the Health & Social Care Act 2012, is being used by NHS England as the justification for a further bureaucratic top-down reorganisation without consultation or local support -- establishing 44 'Sustainability & Transformation Partnerships' (STPs), charged with driving through massive savings.

Many STPs also outline plans to establish US-style 'Accountable Care Systems', for which draft contracts were published on August 7.

STPs and ACSs do NOT constitute the repeal or reversal of the competition regulations under the Act. They may create possibilities of further outsourcing and privatisation. They lack any legal powers or local support.

STPs seek through bureaucratic means to eliminate or override the already minimal remaining level of local accountability and democratic control over NHS commissioning and provision. They could eliminate remaining statutory powers and rights of local authorities, NHS commissioners and providers. Conference therefore instructs Party and PLP to go beyond the manifesto promises, and seek urgently to develop a radical policy to:

- end and reverse the ideologically-driven NHS funding freeze,
- Scrap STP and similar plans requiring cuts in local services or leading towards privatisation
- repeal and reverse the 2012 Act, to reinstate and reintegrate the NHS as a public service, publicly provided, and strengthen democratic accountability
- bring privatised contracts back in house.

Amber Valley CLP

Conference notes:

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- The costly and wasteful fragmentation of the NHS into a competitive market, entrenched by the Health & Social Care Act 2012, is being used by NHS England as justification for more top-down reorganisation without consultation or local support, establishing 44 'Sustainability & Transformation Partnerships' (STPs), charged with making £22bn savings.
- Many STPs also outline plans to establish US-style Accountable Care Systems, for which draft contracts were published on August 7th.
- STPs and ACSs do not constitute repeal or reversal of competition regulations under the Act, and may create potential for further outsourcing and privatisation. They lack any legal basis or local support.
- STPs use bureaucratic means to eliminate or override the already minimal remaining level of local accountability and democratic control over NHS commissioning and provision. They could eliminate remaining statutory powers and rights of local authorities, NHS commissioners and providers.

Conference therefore resolves that the Party must go beyond the manifesto promises and urgently develop a radical policy to:

- end and reverse the ideologically-driven cuts in NHS services
- Scrap STP and similar plans requiring cuts in local services or leading towards privatisation
- repeal and reverse the 2012 Act.
- Bring forward legislation to reinstate and reintegrate the NHS as a public service and strengthen democratic accountability
- bring privatised contracts back in house.

Rochford and Southend East CLP

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Stone CLP

Conference notes the data released by the NHS on 10 August that shows the Government's lack of investment and poor treatment of NHS staff and has led to a further increase in waiting times and cancelled operations.

Conference condemns the Tory government's NHS pay cap and scrapping of the training bursary as key contributors to the staffing crisis now facing the NHS.

Conference welcomes the commitments made in the Labour manifesto to scrap the pay cap for NHS staff and honour pay recommendations by the independent pay review bodies. Conference believes the training bursary should be reinstated and safe staffing requirements put into legislation.

Conference values the contribution of NHS and social care staff from the EU and calls to guarantee their rights and status. Conference further believes the NHS must continue to recruit from the EU and believes continued membership of the single market must not be ruled out.

Hertsmere CLP

Conference notes the data released by the NHS on 10 August that shows the Government's lack of investment and poor treatment of NHS staff, which has led to a further increase in waiting times and cancelled operations and to worsening working conditions for NHS staff.

Conference condemns the Tory government's NHS pay cap and scrapping of the training bursary as key contributors to the staffing crisis now facing the NHS.

Conference applauds the Labour manifesto commitments to scrap the pay cap for NHS staff. Conference demands the training bursary be reinstated and safe staffing requirements put into legislation.

Conference values the contribution of NHS and social care staff from the EU and calls to guarantee their rights and status, and improve the working conditions of all staff. Conference believes the NHS must continue to recruit from the EU and continued membership of the single market must not be ruled out.

Conference opposes

- Tory privatisation of the NHS,
- Privatisation of the NHS Professional temporary staffing agency
- Tory cuts to the NHS including the Capped Expenditure Process
- The Naylor Repo's call for a fire-sale of NHS assets
- Tory cuts to mental health budgets

Conference welcomes Labour's commitment to making child health a national priority, including investment in children's and adolescents' mental health services. Conference calls on the next Labour government to fully fund the NHS, increasing investment to the European average and to invest at least £10 billion in its capital needs.

Ipswich CLP

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Conference applauds Labour's commitment to an NHS which is publicly funded, publicly provided and publicly accountable Conference opposes

- Tory privatisation of the NHS and its services.
- Privatisation of NHS Professional.
- Tory cuts to the NHS including the Capped Expenditure Plans

Conference calls on the next Labour government to fully fund the NHS increasing investment to European average. Conference opposes the Naylor Reports call for a fire-sale of NHS assets and instead resolves that the next Labour government will invest at least £10 billion in the capital needs of the NHS.

Conference welcomes Labour's commitment to making child health a national priority including investment in children's and adolescent's mental health services. "The NHS is the greatest achievement of the Labour movement and only a Labour Government can defend it and preserve it for the future generations."

Epping Forest CLP

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EU and believes continued membership of the single market must not be ruled out. Conference applauds Labour's commitment to an NHS which is publicly funded, publicly provided and publicly accountable. Conference opposes;

- Privatisation of the NHS and of NHS Professionals
- Cuts to the NHS including the Capped Expenditure Plans Conference calls on the next Labour government to fully fund the NHS increasing investment to European average.

Conference opposes the Naylor Report's call for a fire-sale of NHS assets and instead resolves that the next Labour government will invest at least £10 billion in the capital needs of the NHS. Conference welcomes Labour's commitment to making child health a national priority including investment in children's and adolescent's mental health services.

Stevenage CLP

Conference notes the NHS revelations reported between 7 and 11 August, for example that:

1. millions of patients now have worse access to GPs than 5 years ago;
2. fewer than 1 in 6 mothers now see the same midwife throughout their pregnancy and aftercare;
3. 87% more cancer patients last year waited 62 days or more for treatment;
4. more than 2.5 million people waited over 4 hours to be seen in A&E, a rise of 460,530
5. delayed discharges from hospitals have increased, due to cuts in Social Care;
6. more than 4 million people are waiting for surgery.

Conference therefore calls on all sections of the Party to join with patients, health-workers, trade unions and all other NHS supporters to campaign for:

- an NHS that is publicly owned, funded, provided and accountable;
- adequate funding for all services, including mental health services;
- integration with a Social Care system which is also publicly funded and provided;
- an end to privatisation, PFIs and the debts which they entail;
- urgent reductions in waiting-times;
- scrapping the Tories' austerity cap on pay-levels;
- restoration of bursaries for students;
- constructive engagement with NHS staff-organisations;
- recognition of the continuing vital NHS role of EU nationals;
- tackling the causes of ill-health, e.g. austerity, poverty and poor housing;
- no service closures (reconfigurations) without proper local consultation and consent
- rejecting the Tories' Sustainability & Transformation Plans (STPs) as vehicles for cuts in services;
- excluding our NHS from TTIP and other free trade agreements.

Southend West CLP

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- delayed discharges from hospitals have increased, due to cuts in Social Care;
- more than 4 million people awaiting surgery.

Conference calls on all sections of the Party to join with patients, health-workers, trade unions and all other NHS supporters to campaign for:

- an NHS that is publicly owned, funded, provided and accountable; adequate funding for all services, including mental health service integration with a Social Care system which is also publicly funded and provided;
- an end to privatisation, PFIs and the debts which they entail, and Naylor Review property sell-off;
- urgent reductions in waiting-times;
- scrapping the Tories' austerity cap on pay-levels; restoration of student bursaries;
- constructive engagement with NHS trade unions and professional bodies;
- protecting the continuing vital NHS role of EU nationals; tackling the causes of ill-health, e.g. austerity, poverty and poor housing;
- no service closures (or 'reconfigurations') without proper local consultation and consent;
- rejecting the Tories' Sustainability & Transformation Plans (STPs) as vehicles for cuts in services;
- excluding our NHS from TTIP and other 'free trade' agreements.

Labour created our NHS. Labour must now defend it.

Isle of Wight CLP

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5. delayed hospital discharges have increased, due to cuts in Social Care;
6. over 4 million people are waiting for surgery.

Conference therefore calls on all sections of the Party to join with patients, health-workers, trade unions and all other NHS supporters to campaign for:

- an NHS that is publicly owned, funded, provided and accountable;
- funding at the same proportion of GDP as comparable countries, for all services, including mental health;
- integration with a publicly funded and provided Social Care system;
- an end to privatisation, PFIs and the debts which they entail;
- urgent reductions in waiting-times;
- scrapping the Tories' austerity cap on pay-levels;
- restoration of bursaries for students;
- constructive engagement with NHS staff organisations;
- recognition of the continuing vital NHS role of EU nationals;
- tackling the causes of ill-health, e.g. austerity, poverty and poor housing;
- no service closures (or reconfigurations) without proper consultation and consent
- rejecting the Tories 'Sustainability & Transformation Plans' (STPs) as the vehicles for the cuts in services they are.

Islington South and Finsbury CLP

Conference notes, reported 12 September, seven out of eight Folkestone GP practices are planning to close their lists due to workload fears, adding to the experience of millions of patients suffering worse access to GPs than 5 years ago; and other revelations since 7 August, for example, that across the country there are:

- fewer than 1 in 6 mothers seeing the same midwife throughout their pregnancy and aftercare;
- 87% more cancer patients waiting 62 days or more for treatment;
- more than 2.5 million people waiting over 4 hours to be seen in A&E, a rise of 460,530;
- increased delayed discharges, due to cuts in Social Care;
- more than 4 million people waiting for surgery.

Conference calls on all sections of the Party to join with patients, health-workers, trade unions and other NHS supporters to campaign for:

- an NHS integrated with a Social Care system, both publicly owned, funded, provided and accountable;
- adequate funding for all, including mental health, services;
- ending privatisation, PFIs and the debts which they entail;
- urgently reducing waiting-times;
- scrapping the Tories' austerity cap on pay-levels;
- restoring bursaries for students;
- constructive engagement with NHS staff-organisations;
- recognising the continuing vital NHS role of EU nationals;
- tackling the causes of ill-health, e.g. austerity, poverty and poor housing;
- no service closures (or 'reconfigurations') without proper local consultation and consent;
- rejecting the Tories' Sustainability & Transformation Plans as vehicles for cuts in services;
- excluding our NHS from any 'free trade' agreements.

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Birmingham, Ladywood CLP

Conference notes the recently released NHS data about the increase in waiting times and cancelled operations as indicative of insufficient Government investment and the poor treatment of staff. It further deplores the announcement that STPs will be replaced by 44ACs Accountable Care Systems that are a direct replication of US privatised healthcare multinationals providing limited services on restricted budgets.

Conference condemns the current TORY NHS pay cap for all staff and the scrapping of the university training bursary for nurses as significant contributors to the current staffing crisis. Conference welcomes Labour's Manifesto commitments to restore the NHS, halt privatisation, continue with necessary overseas recruitment, halting the implementation of STPs, reviewing, investing and fully funding the NHS up to at least the European average.

Conference opposes the proposed Naylor fire sale of NHS assets and resolves that the next Labour government will commit to investing at least £10 billion in NHS capital needs and infrastructure creating a fully funded, comprehensive, universal, publicly provided and owned NHS, scrapping the proposed user charges as per the NHS (Reinstatement) Bill. Conference welcomes Labour's commitment to making child health services a national priority including investment in child and adolescent mental health services.

Winchester CLP

Conference notes that:

- the parlous state of the NHS after seven years of frozen real terms funding remains the top concern for voters and should be prioritised in the policies and campaigning of the Party.
- the costly and wasteful fragmentation of the NHS into a competitive market, entrenched by the disastrous Health & Social Care Act 2012, is now used by NHS England as the justification for a further bureaucratic top-down reorganisation without consultation or local support establishing 44 'Sustainability & Transformation Partnerships' (STPs), charged with driving through massive savings.
- Many of these also outline plans to establish 'Accountable Care Systems'
- STP plans do not constitute the repeal or reversal of the competition regulations under the Act,
- leaving the possibility of further widespread outsourcing and privatisation.

New legal opinion finds STPs lack any legal powers or status under the 2012 Act: yet they seek through bureaucratic means to eliminate or override the already minimal remaining level of local accountability and democratic control over NHS commissioning and provision, and by stealth eliminate the statutory powers and responsibilities of commissioners and NHS providers.

Conference therefore calls on Party and PLP to go beyond the manifesto promises, and seek urgently to develop a radical policy to:

- end and reverse the ideologically-driven NHS funding freeze,
- abandon STP and similar plans requiring cuts in local services
- repeal and reverse the 2012 Act, to reinstate and reintegrate the NHS as a public service, publicly provided, and strengthen democratic accountability

Warwick and Leamington CLP

NORTH KOREA

Conference acknowledges that the alarming escalation of tensions between the United States and North Korea is threatening peace within the Pacific Region raising the possibility of a nuclear war which would be a catastrophic development both within the Pacific Region and for the wider world as it would inevitably lead to an global escalation of armed conflict. The Labour Party must continue to work to pressure the British Government to help de-escalate these tensions directly and through the United Nations.

Vale of Glamorgan CLP

PUBLIC SECTOR PAY

Conference notes that on 31st August, the UN committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities condemned the government's record on supporting disabled workers.

Conference notes that on 15th August, the EHRC published research showing the overall disability pay gap to be 13.6%.

Conference believes that all disabled people have the right to a good job and a fulfilling career.

Conference believes that government has a crucial role in supporting disabled people into work and supporting employers who actively recruit and train disabled workers.

Conference recognises that 'supported workplaces' have a proud tradition of employing disabled workers in good quality, skilled job. These workplaces are predominantly within the public sector and have been victims of the ongoing public sector pay cap. Following the government's announcement on 12th September regarding the pay cap, conference calls for a significant pay rise for all public sector workers, including those in supported workplaces.

Conference believes the future success of supported workplaces will be crucial in ensuring that disabled people have access to high quality jobs. Conference recognises the success of the Work Choice programme in providing such opportunities. Conference believes the next Labour government must commit to funding and expanding the programme with an emphasis on supporting access to work.

Conference believes the next Labour government must champion the use of reserved contracts in public sector procurement to increase employment opportunities within supported workplaces and encourage public bodies to review and consider utilising reserved contracts prior to decisions on the issuing of procurement contracts.

**Community
Glasgow Provan CLP**

Conference notes that Consumer Price Index (including owner/occupier housing costs) inflation stands at 2.6%, according to ONS data released on 15th August 2017. This means that public service workers will be facing further real terms pay cuts because of the pay policy of the Conservative government.

Conference welcomes Labour's 2017 manifesto commitment to end the public sector pay cap and believes that public services and public servants need to see a return to meaningful pay negotiation/bargaining across the public sector, with pay rises fully funded by central government and a return to pre-financial crisis levels of pay across ALL public services.

Conference resolves that Labour's next manifesto will contain such a commitment to reverse the impact of the public sector pay cap over the course of the next parliament.

Bolsover CLP

Conference notes that on September 12th the government removed the public sector pay cap, but only for some sectors and is still only offering below inflation pay rises. The vast majority of public sector workers remain subjected to the punishing 1% pay cap.

Conference notes that CPI inflation stands at 2.9%, according to September 12th ONS data. Conference notes that this means public service workers including those employed in the private and voluntary sectors delivering public services - are facing yet another year of real terms pay cuts.

Conference notes that despite widespread public support for public services and those who provide them, the government have still failed to act and deliver the meaningful pay rise all public service workers need and deserve. Services are already suffering from recruitment and retention problems. Conference welcomes Labour's commitment in the 2017 manifesto to end the public sector pay cap, but more must now be done for all public sector workers.

Conference believes that what is best for public services is a return to meaningful pay negotiation and bargaining across the public sector, with pay rises fully funded by the government and a return to at least pre Tory austerity levels of pay. Conference resolves that Labour's next manifesto must commit to fully funded, above inflation pay rises across all public services, reversing the impact of the pay cap and restoring public sector pay to at least pre Tory austerity levels in real terms under the next Labour government.

UNISON

RAIL

Conference notes that Transport Secretary Chris Grayling has used the summer period to break the Tories' promise of rail electrification for the North of England, the Midlands and Wales, regions whose economies are significantly dependent upon improved, electrified rail links.

Conference is further concerned by the 15 August announcement that fares next year will go up by an inflation-busting 3.6%.

Conference also notes that fresh talks were scheduled for 7 August with a view to resolving the long-running Southern Rail dispute. A new start is urgently needed for the sake of the long-suffering passengers and staff involved. Conference regrets that the government has refused to engage with these talks or to communicate with the service's users and staff in any constructive discussion of proposals concerning the service's safety and accessibility.

Conference reaffirms that the transport policy of a future Labour government will include commitments to:

- introduce a requirement for a Guard on all passenger trains;
- halt the introduction of "Driver Only Operation" (DOO) for passenger services;
- halt the current programme of ticket-office closures. The past few months have provided tragic reminders of the need for our society to prioritise the safety of all its members.

Labour must constantly campaign against the government's refusal to recognise such priorities. In the transport context considerations of safety and access are particularly vital for those passengers (both existing and potential) who suffer from disabilities. Conference resolves that their rights must not be disrespected.

**Doncaster Central CLP
Peterborough CLP**

SOCIAL CARE

The recently published accounts of Clinical Commissioning Groups across England reveal that unrealistic Government efficiency savings and compulsory reserve funds are taking millions of pounds from local health economies and returning them to central Government exacerbating the crisis in health and social care caused by cuts to Council budgets. With the recent creation of Accountable Care Organisations (ACO) it is essential to ensure that they are not used as a mechanism for achieving privatisation of health services and that they are based on greater co-ordination and integration of Health and Social Care services, with the principles of local governance and accountability; focussed on outcomes not profit; able to rely on a steady income stream; providing a better service for all.

Conference is asked to:

Reaffirm the Manifesto commitments to properly fund health services to restore health spending in Britain as a percentage of GDP to one of the best in Western Europe not one of the worst.

Reaffirm the manifesto commitment to address the funding crisis in social care to ensure dignity for people in old age and for some of the most vulnerable people in our communities.

Agree that a future Labour Government will repeal the 2012 Health and Social Care Act and replace it with legislation that creates new structures under local public control, that put health and care services on an equal footing, with fair and equitable funding, operating as an integrated national service for the benefit of all.

Blaydon CLP

Ground-breaking research from Newcastle University has found that men spend 2.4 years on average needing regular care and women three years. This includes everything from help with washing and dressing each day to round-the-clock care, and the researchers claim there will need to be a sharp increase in the number of care home places available. Yet our current social care system is completely unable to meet this growing demand as it continues to fail hundreds of thousands of older people, their families and the staff that care for them. Over the past seven years there have been severe cuts to local authority funding, accompanied by a tighter rationing of services and a reduction in the overall number of people receiving support. Today an estimated 1.8m people no longer get any help, despite having recognised care needs. Currently 80% of all social care is delivered by the private sector, yet the funding model of many private care providers is both precarious and unsustainable. Recent media reports suggest that the company expected to buy up BUPA's 200 care homes could end up with debts of more than £600m. It is not acceptable that these private companies can structure themselves in such a way as to lay the risk at the door of staff, residents and councils. Conference therefore believes the Labour Party should support the introduction of a National Care Service, funded like the NHS, through general taxation, free at the point of use and without means-testing.

Poole CLP

In September 2017, NHS Providers, the trade association that represents hospital, mental health, community and ambulance trusts in England, called for an immediate investment of cash in the health service to avoid risks to patient safety over the coming winter months as local services struggle to cope with competing pressures and will not be able to manage. The short term and inadequately funded responses given by this Tory Government must not be allowed to continue. In this regard, the Conference recognises the growing public concern over the continuing crisis in social care, particularly following recent reports of another winter crisis within the health service, and believes that insufficient government funding, an absence of minimum standards and relative low levels of union organisation within the sector combine to create an ongoing issue that touches every member of our community, including the most vulnerable and welcomes UNISON's Care Workers for Change campaign initiative and resolves to:

Support the UNISON Care Workers for Change campaign.

Encourage all local authority commissioned care services to respect the right of staff to organise trade union representation including allowing access to accredited union representatives and officials to speak to staff for the purpose of recruitment to a trade union.

Ensure that a Labour Government introduces measures that provide adequate funding to enable local authorities to achieve standards of care that are fit for purpose.

Develop the Manifesto commitment to create a National Care Service.

Weaver Vale CLP

WORKERS' RIGHTS

Conference notes that on 18th August the Bakers, Food and Allied Workers Union announced that 4th September will see the first ever McDonalds strike in Britain, in Cambridge and Crayford demanding £10ph, with guaranteed secure hours and union recognition. This is potentially hugely significant.

We note the ongoing, year-long struggle by Picturehouse cinema workers (part of Cineworld) to win the Living Wage, decent maternity and sick pay, and union recognition.

We note the recent victories against outsourcing and casualisation won by cleaners at LSE and SOAS. Labour wholeheartedly supports these and other workers struggles. Our manifesto rightly said: 'The most effective way to maintain good rights at work is collectively through a union. Strong unions, freed from legal shackles and bolstered by positive legal rights, will be key to tackling poverty, insecurity and inequality, transforming society through an economy working for the many, not the few. For unions to be effective, workers need the right to strike. We note that conference 2015 voted unanimously to legislate for strong rights to unionise, win recognition and collective bargaining, strike, picket and take solidarity action. Labour will Support workers' struggles for workplace rights to a safe secure intimidation free working environment. Pursue policies for £10ph living wage and scrapping zero hours contracts Scrap all anti-union laws, introduce a strong legal charter of workers' rights to union recognition and collective bargaining; to strike, including solidarity with other workers following political goals; and to picket freely.

Charnwood CLP

The BFAWU strike at McDonalds is seeing low waged, previously un-unionised workers organising into a union and standing up to take on a notorious employer in a notorious industry for undermining workers' basic rights and conditions. The workers need the full, concrete and urgent solidarity of the wider trade union and social movement. This is a fight for us all, and one that has already seen gains, such as McDonalds UK's announcement that they would deliver on their previous promise of guaranteed hours contracts for every worker by the end of 2017. A victory at McDonalds for BFAWU members would be a victory for the whole trade union movement.

This Labour Conference supports the action and resolves to:

- send a message of support to McDonalds workers
- help publicise the campaign
- Encourage CLPs and MPs to support local actions by McDonald's workers

Dulwich and West Norwood CLP

Conference notes the 715,000 increase in people employed on zero-hours contracts between 2010 and 2017 based on Office of National Statistics figures published on 16 August 2017. Conference believes uncertainty from zero and short-hours contracts and the excessive use of agency and temporary contracts has a corrosive impact on the lives of working people.

Conference opposes the cynical practice of bogus self-employment which denies workers employment rights including the minimum wage, holidays and sick pay and enables companies to avoid paying their fair share of tax. Conference believes employment rights require enforcement to be effective and recognises the vital role unions and government can play. Conference supports the Ethical Employment in Supply Chains Code of Practice developed by the Labour-led Welsh Government which requires employers to commit to decent employment standards in order to bid for public contracts.

Conference recognises the world of work is a key political issue and calls on Labour and affiliated unions to develop a joint campaign against insecure work, promoting trade unions and the action Labour will take.

Conference welcomes the vision Labour offered to workers in the General Election and will build on this including commitments to:

- Ban zero-hours contract
- Limit the excessive use of agency workers
- Introduce a statutory right to contracts that reflect the hours a person normally work
- Support trade unions taking action against insecure work
- Use devolution and local government to demonstrate Labour's commitment and determination to improving job security
- Promote trade union rights, access to workplaces and collective bargaining

GMB

August has seen a series of strikes. On 18 August Britain's first ever strike at McDonald's was announced. The Picturehouse cinema workers, who struck again on 4-5 August in their year-long fight for the Living Wage and union recognition, were about to re-ballot for the fourth time to avoid problems with the anti-union laws.

Labour wholeheartedly supports these mainly young, private sector workers confronting anti-union employers backed by anti-union laws and an anti-union government. At the end of July, following Unison's legal challenge, the Supreme Court ruled the introduction of employment tribunal fees illegal. Shortly before that the Welsh Assembly voted to exempt devolved public services from the Trade Union Act. Our manifesto was right that the most effective way to maintain good rights at work is collectively through a union• .

We need an effective right to strike. We note that conference 2015 voted unanimously for Labour to legislate for strong rights to unionise, win recognition and collective bargaining, strike, picket and take solidarity action• . The next Labour government should Repeal the TU Act, and all anti-union laws introduced in the 1980s and 90s. Introduce a strong legal charter of workers' rights to unionise; win recognition and collective bargaining; strike, for purposes of workers' own choosing including in solidarity with other workers and for political goals; and picket freely. Ensure the right of unions to draw up their own rules and constitutions, determine their policies and activities , and spend their funds as they wish, free from state and employer interference.

Middlesbrough CLP

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We note that conference 2015 voted unanimously to legislate for strong rights to unionise, win recognition and collective bargaining, strike, picket and take solidarity action. Labour will:

Support all workers standing up for their rights. Integrate campaigns for policies like £10ph and scrapping zero hours contracts with supporting strikes and workers' struggles. Scrap all anti-union laws and introduce a strong legal charter of workers' rights to unionise; win recognition and collective bargaining; strike, for purposes of workers' own choosing including in solidarity with other workers and for political goals; and picket freely.

Newcastle-Upon-Tyne East CLP

This conference notes the decision of the Supreme Court on 26th July 2017 which ruled that Employment Tribunal Fees had prevented access to justice and were therefore unlawful. The decision also found it to be indirectly discriminatory as it had a disparate impact upon women. Fees paid to lodge past claims are to be reimbursed. This fails to address the prevention of access to justice for individuals who lodged mandatory pre claim conciliation through ACAS between 2013 and 26th July 2017 but were denied access to justice because they were unable to pay the Employment Tribunal Fees which have now been ruled unlawful. We call on Conference to support a campaign to remedy this injustice.

Thirsk and Malton CLP

Conference notes the publication by the Government on 16 August of the list of 233 employers who have underpaid the National Minimum or Living Wage and believes that swift and urgent action is needed to tackle underpayment. Conference is concerned that more than 13,000 workers have been underpaid by around £2 million, which the Government acknowledges as a record high.

Conference believes the publication of this list highlights that rights are only useful if they are properly enforced. Proper, proactive enforcement of all employment rights, through higher prioritisation and increased funding, is needed to stop companies ignoring their statutory obligations and protect workers from exploitation.

Conference is concerned that the Conservative Government's attitude to so-called 'red tape', employment rights and enforcements has led to unethical working practices rising, including the increase in so-called 'flexible' forms of work, such as zero and low hours contracts. This has allowed unfair and precarious employment practices to become the norm for millions of workers.

Conference believes there needs to be a coherent approach to helping workers on zero-hours and short-hours contracts. People working regular hours should have a right to be automatically offered a contract reflecting their normal hours, helping minimise opportunities for underpayment. Conference therefore calls on the Labour Party to campaign to:

- Improve enforcement of the National Minimum / Living Wage.
- End exploitative zero-hours contracts.
- Introduce a statutory right to contracts that reflect the hours a person normally works.

USDAW

The start of August saw a series of strikes. The Picturehouse cinema workers, who struck again on 4-5 August in their fight for the Living Wage and union recognition, were about to rebalot for the fourth time to avoid problems with the anti-union laws! We welcome the support our leadership has given these mainly young, private sector workers confronting an anti-union employer backed by anti-union laws and an anti-union government. At the end of July, following Unison's legal challenge, the Supreme Court ruled the introduction of employment tribunal fees illegal. Shortly before that the Welsh Assembly voted to exempt devolved public services from the Trade Union Act.

Our manifesto was right that 'the most effective way to maintain good rights at work is collectively through a union' . We need an effective right to strike. We note that our 2015 conference voted unanimously for Labour to legislate for strong rights to unionise, win recognition and collective bargaining, strike, picket and take solidarity action.

The next Labour government should

Repeal the Trade Union Act, and also all anti-union laws introduced by the Thatcher and Major governments.

Introduce a strong legal charter of workers' rights to unionise; win recognition and collective bargaining; strike, for purposes of workers' own choosing including in solidarity with other workers and for political goals; and picket freely.

Ensure the right of unions to draw up their own rules and constitutions, determine their policies and activities, and spend their funds as they wish, free from state and employer interference.

Ynys Mon CLP

Appendix 2 - Tellers and Scrutineers

The Conference Arrangements Committee has appointed the following delegates to act as tellers and scrutineers during Conference.

Tellers

George Adamson
Arlene Ainsley
Alex Bigham
Michael Bland
Jean Butcher
Chris Conniff
Grace Davis
Gareth Derrick
Gareth Dowling
Abdi Duale
Emma Hampton
Gail Hodson
Bill Knowles

Alex Latham
Joshua Lewis
Carol Machell
Jane Middleton
Andrea Oates
Sheree Peaple
Anu Prashar
Sharon Prendergast
Cat Price
Carl Richardson
Kate Shaw-Nelson
Catherine Stafford
Gemma Thornton

Scrutineers

Ruth Alcroft
Lanimae Ball
Christine Bayliss
Ben Bellamy
Emily Coatman
Alan Cunliffe
Simon Darvill
Eileen Davidson
Anne Lawson
Margaret MacDonald

Esther Owen
Richard Parry
Dhanisha Patel - Chief Scrutineer
Christopher Priest
Ben Procter
Cheryl Raynor
Julie Renyard
Graham Scott
Andrew Short

Conference Agenda 2017

	Sunday - PARTY, ENVIRONMENT, CULTURE, LOCAL GOVERNMENT, DEVOLUTION	Monday - INTERNATIONAL, BREXIT ECONOMY, EQUALITIES	Tuesday - PUBLIC SERVICES	Wednesday - LEADER'S SPEECH
	Contemporary Issues Priorities Ballot	National Executive Committee Ballot	National Constitutional Committee Ballot	
Plenary	<p>10.30 Opening Formalities Welcome to Brighton and Hove NEC Chair's Address</p> <p>10.40 Conference Arrangements Committee Report</p> <p>10.50 Merit Awards</p> <p>10.55 Obituaries</p> <p>11.05 Co-operative Party speaker</p> <p>11.10 PROTECTING COMMUNITIES Diane Abbott (speaks 11.10) <i>Debate</i></p>	<p>09.30 Conference Arrangements Committee Report</p> <p>09.35 BREXIT AND INTERNATIONALISM Glenis Willmott (speaks 09.35) <i>Debate</i></p> <p>Emily Thornberry (speaks 10.50)</p> <p>Keir Starmer (speaks 11.00) <i>Debate</i></p> <p>John McDonnell (speaks 12.15) <i>Votes</i></p>	<p>09.30 Conference Arrangements Committee Report</p> <p>09.35 NEC Report Financial Reports NEC and CLP Constitutional Amendments</p> <p>10.30 INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE Rebecca Long-Bailey (speaks 10.30) <i>Debate</i></p> <p>Trades Union Congress Speaker Angela Rayner (speaks 12.30) <i>Votes</i></p>	<p>09.00 Policy Seminars</p> <p>10.15 Policy Seminars</p> <p>12.15 Leader's speech</p>
	12.45-14.15	12.45-14.15	12.45-14.15	
<p>SUN, TUES 14.15 - 17.30</p> <p>MON 14.15 - 16.00</p> <p>[Policy Seminars 16.15 - 17.30]</p>	<p>14.15 PROTECTING COMMUNITIES (cont'd) Local Government Speaker (14.15) <i>Debate</i></p> <p>Andrew Gwynne (speaks 16.05)</p> <p>16.15 Welsh Report</p> <p>16.30 General Election Report General Secretary's Report Best Practice Awards Party Chair's Address - Ian Lavery <i>Votes</i> <i>Contemporary Issues Priorities Result</i></p>	<p>14.15 JOBS, LIVING STANDARDS AND EQUALITIES <i>Debate</i></p> <p>Debbie Abrahams (speaks 15.25)</p> <p>City Mayor Speaker (15.35)</p> <p>15.45 Scottish Report <i>Votes</i></p> <p>16.00 Policy Seminars (start 16.15)</p>	<p>14.15 Guest Speaker</p> <p>14.30 HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE Jonathan Ashworth (speaks 14.30) <i>Debate</i></p> <p>Barbara Keeley (speaks 16.05/16.50)</p> <p>16.15: Contemporary Composites (if required)</p> <p>17.00 Deputy Leader's speech</p> <p>17.20 Closing Formalities <i>Votes</i></p>	