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ABORTION RIGHTS

In August this year the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists stated that 'Abortion care is a core service underpinning women's health and wellbeing. All women should be able to access abortion services easily and without fear of penalty or harassment.'

There has been an unwelcome surge in the anti-abortion protests outside clinics in Glasgow, supported by American right-wing religious organisations, and emboldened by the shameful overturning of Roe vs Wade. Now, more than ever, Women's Rights in the United Kingdom need to be strengthened and protected in law.

This Constituency Labour Party believes that women accessing abortion healthcare facilities should be able to do so without being subjected to targeted gendered harassment. There is no doubt about the severe and lasting distress that these anti-abortion protests cause. Establishing protest free Safe Access Zones around clinics would give protection to our sisters, friends, and daughters when they need it the most.

This Constituency Labour Party strongly supports the right to protest, but rights are always balanced with responsibilities. These protestors are currently abusing their rights with their persistent and malicious misogyny. The law as it stands is clearly failing to protect people accessing their healthcare.

This Constituency Labour Party believes that the implementation of Safe Access Zones outside clinics is of immediate national importance. We call on our Shadow Health Team to prioritise campaigning for urgent Safe Access Zone legislation, and to demand that the Home Secretary redresses the failings of their predecessor.

Eastwood CLP

CLIMATE CRISIS

Whereas:

3 June - Stockholm+50 Human Environment conference confirms global climate change, biodiversity loss/pollution crises;

2 June - WHO confirms impairment of mental health/wellbeing;

20 May - Abidjan desertification conference affirms tenure, migration/gender equality land restorations are essential to planet preservation;

18 May - UN Secretary-General urges technology, materials, policies, subsidies/investments action, for 'no future exists without renewables';

courts affirm governments' duty of care, particularly towards children, to preserve environmental/biodiverse sustainability,

environmental harms extend beyond borders, making nations jointly responsible;

recognition of environmental crimes as crimes against humanity is advocated legally.

Conference recommends a Labour government must:

1. recognise a legal duty of care regarding climate change/biodiversity emergencies;
2. provide local government resources addressing climate change/biodiversity;
3. recognise international legal responsibilities;
4. acknowledge environmental crimes as crimes against humanity.

Cambridge CLP

Conference notes that

Peatlands in the UK contain an estimated 3,200 million tonnes of carbon, more than the forests of the UK, France and Germany combined and roughly 10 times Britain's annual CO2 emissions.

While peatland should be a net carbon sink, British peatlands are currently emitting over half a million tonnes of carbon dioxide a year.

Current land management practices in British uplands, such as controlled burning of peatland habitat for grouse shooting, have contributed to increased flooding and have a detrimental effect on biodiversity.

In the UK, at least 80% of peatland habitats have been lost or damaged by human activity.

Moorland fires have been increasing year on year in the UK as a result of climate change.

Keir Starmer has promised to 'put the Green New Deal at the heart of everything we do'.

Conference believes that

Changing land use on British moorland is essential to fighting the climate emergency.

Increased moorland fires present a threat to wildlife, and to the mental, physical and economic wellbeing of human beings who use moorland.

The restoration of British uplands presents an opportunity to create many green jobs in the revegetation and rewetting of peat bogs.

Conference resolves that the next Labour government

Bans the sale of disposable barbecues.

Prohibits peatland burning.

Invests in the maintenance and conservation of British peatlands to transform them into a carbon sink, reduce flood risk, prevent moorland fires and improve biodiversity.

Colne Valley CLP

Conference notes:

Climate change is an existential threat to humanity. Solving this crisis will impact on all aspects of society.

Residential and commercial buildings are among largest contributors to climate change, accounting for a quarter of the UK's greenhouse gas emissions (source: Environmental Audit Committee).

Soaring energy bills are among the main drivers of the current cost of living crisis. Even before the recent spike in energy bills, 12% of households in Wales (13% in England) were already classed as fuel poor (source: UK Parliament).

Conference resolves to support:

An immediate state-coordinated strategy for retrofitting buildings across the UK, to reduce energy consumption and household bills by:

1. Bringing forward a date for all new homes to be passiv house standard.
2. Funding the insulation of all social housing by 2025.
3. 3. Introducing a "legally-binding national plan" for a low energy and low carbon retrofit of all homes in Britain by 2030.

The retrofit of buildings will be the first, practical step towards the adoption of a wide-ranging Green New Deal, supporting research, using new technologies, employing ethical procurement policies and creating new unionised green jobs.

These policies were outlined in the Green New Deal Motion agreed by conference in 2021.

Delyn CLP

Conference notes:

Countries around the world, including the UK, are experiencing climate change related extreme weather events, including extreme temperatures, devastating flooding, wildfires, hurricanes, and droughts. This is with warming at 1.2°C above average pre-industrial levels.

Millions of British families and tens of thousands of British businesses are struggling to pay their bills now, yet the Conservatives will allow bills to increase further in October.

Conference believes:

The UK has had the largest energy price increases of any European country because of Conservative Government policy failures: gutting energy-efficiency subsidies, effectively banning onshore wind in England and scrapping the zero-carbon homes standards – measures introduced by the last Labour Government.

Issuing new UK oil and gas licences and removing the ban on fracking won't reduce UK energy bills quickly: it will increase climate change-causing carbon dioxide and methane emissions.

The quickest, cleanest and most cost-effective best way of reducing UK energy bills and UK greenhouse gas emissions is to prioritise a rapid expansion of renewable energy and energy efficiency.

Conference resolves:

Labour must offer a programme that shows global climate and energy policy leadership, including:

- Working with UK nations, local authorities, FE colleges, businesses and unions to devise and deliver the training necessary for the skilled workforce required to achieve its renewables and energy efficiency plans.
- Commit to aligning UK oil and gas extraction with the Paris Agreement 1.5°C goal.
- Deliver the planning policy changes necessary to rapidly scale-up onshore and offshore renewables and prevent fracking and new coal mines.

Socialist Environment & Resources Association

DEFENCE

Conference notes:

Aldershot is home to a major British garrison, and has a proud, unbreakable relationship with the Armed Forces.

The invasion of Ukraine and rising Russian aggression have made the defence and security of our nation more crucial.

Despite threats against the UK increasing, the Conservatives are pushing ahead with major cuts to service personnel, civil servants, and crucial equipment.

The Conservatives have weakened the foundations of our armed forces " with troops being cut by over 40,000 since 2010

Conference believes:

Britain should be a force for good in the world, especially when we collaborate with allies in Europe and beyond, through NATO, Five Eyes, the UN and AUKUS.

Labour's approach for leading on strategic arms limitation and multilateral disarmament must remain, whilst also maintaining a credible deterrent.

The UK must continue to protect our nation's interest at home and abroad.

Labour should have an unshakeable commitment to NATO, as the threat from other hostile nations is growing and unpredictable.

Conference supports:

A diverse well-paid, well-equipped Armed Forces made up from recruits across the United Kingdom and allied countries;

Improving the awareness of Civil Servants and their vital role in defence;

A twin-track policy of multilateral disarmament and a minimum, credible nuclear deterrent; and a defence industrial strategy;

Bringing all defence procurement and services in-house to reduce cost, increase quality whilst protecting British jobs.

Aldershot CLP

Conference notes that the United Kingdom has been added as a nuclear storage location funded by the United States' Department of Defence, which would result in nuclear weapons other than the UK's Trident missile system being located on UK soil for the first time in 14 years.

Conference notes that during the last Labour Government US nuclear weapons left RAF Lakenheath - a significant step consistent with that Labour Government's ambition for a 'global zero' eradication of nuclear weapons through multilateral disarmament.

Conference reiterates the words of Gordon Brown at his Lancaster House Speech on 17 March 2009 in having the 'ultimate ambition of a world free from nuclear weapons', noting 'as possessor states we cannot expect to successfully exercise moral and political leadership in preventing the proliferation of nuclear weapons if we ourselves do not demonstrate leadership on the question of disarmament of our weapons'.

Conference opposes the deployment of US nuclear weapons at RAF Lakenheath and recommit to nuclear disarmament and a world without nuclear weapons.

Cynon Valley CLP

DRUG REFORM

This motion proposes the legalization of limited growth and possession of cannabis in the UK, with a controlled and licensed sales market. As legalization sweep across North America and with many of our European neighbours currently in the later stages of passing similar laws, the UK is at risk of falling behind in the failed war on drugs.

The benefits of legalization are many and have considerable far-reaching and knock-on effects:

Police will annually save one million hours of time and £2.5 billion in resources to redirect to more serious crimes (including county lines gangs). Removed of burden, the CPS will also be able to pursue serious and violent crimes and address their backlog.

As low level possession will not result in the stigma of a criminal record, greater social mobility will be possible. Prisons will gain much needed capacity and low-level offenders will no longer mix with career criminals.

A forecasted £6.8 billion in revenues with £1 billion generated in taxes to provide drugs education and services. As a strictly-licensed and Government planned industry, locations for production, sale and processing would be controlled, allowing levelling up in key locations.

Developing agri-science, patents and knowledge with transferable skills and R&D for the wider farming landscape and sale to other countries (for comparison, the global alcohol market is estimated at £1.1t annually). Government can control THC levels/strains.

Providing pain relief and therapy – expanding treatment and for some, a path to getting back to work.

Clwyd West CLP

Conference recognises

- UK drug policy is failing. The Government's own drug report in 2019 reported rises in drug use amongst 15-year-olds, 3284 drug-related deaths, and the highest mortality rate on record at 76 per million, with this number rising to 229 per million in Scotland
- Addiction treatment is unsuccessful with almost 8000 less patients in treatment now compared to 2015.
- New synthetic chemicals cut into "party" drugs are causing deaths of recreational drug users
- Conference notes
- The "Portuguese Model" of decriminalisation and treating addiction as a health issue has been successful in reducing drug use, deaths, and related crime
- Since decriminalisation, drug deaths in Portugal are at a rate of 6 per 1,000,000 - over 38x lower than Scotland's European high
- Pre-decriminalisation, 40% of Portuguese prison inmates were held for drug related offences which is now 15.7% - below the European average
- In 2001 Portugal had 1287 new HIV diagnoses attributed to IV drug use – in 2019 it reported only 16 new diagnoses
- Therefore, conference agrees the Party will
- campaign for reform to failing drug laws, using the Portuguese Model as an example of a successful approach to tackling the issue of drugs in society
- campaign to increase in funding to addiction programmes with a focus on treatment and rehabilitation rather than prison and Methadone programmes

- campaign for the life saving measures of emergency service personnel carrying Naloxone for treatment of opiate overdoses, drug testing facilities to be available at events where recreational drug use is likely ie festivals

Dundee City West CLP

EARLY YEARS AND CHILDCARE

Conference notes:

- The UK is one of the most expensive countries in the world for childcare. Parents face huge difficulties finding the right care for their children.
- Early years childcare workers are undervalued and underpaid for the work they do
- A solution to this crisis is including childcare as essential infrastructure in Labour's industrial strategy. Investment in social infrastructure supports the rest of the economy at least as much as physical infrastructure such as roads.
- A 2% investment in care produces double the number of jobs for women and almost as many jobs for men as the same investment in construction. Investment in free universal child care especially, returns almost all its initial investment.

Conference believes:

- The UK needs an active industrial strategy that invests in childcare infrastructure to achieve a better functioning, more flexible and fairer economy.
- Without immediate action to support women to stay in work we risk losing decades of progress on women's equality.
- Investing in childcare infrastructure will ensure women are key players in economic recovery, lead to higher incomes for women and reduce the gender pay gap.

Conference resolves;

- For Childcare to be considered infrastructure and a key part of regional and national industrial strategies
- To develop an industrial strategy, in partnership with trade unions, service providers, service users and other stakeholders, which includes:
- Good quality affordable and accessible childcare for all including early childhood education and activities before and after school.
- Pay increases and professional recognition for Early years childcare workers

Bristol South CLP, Bristol West CLP

The Sure Start programme was inaugurated in 2001. By 2010 it was considered to be successful enough to pass the funding to local authorities, who would be able place the centres where they were most needed.

Aimed at providing an inclusive service from pregnancy onwards for help in a wide variety of aspects of parenting and providing some activities for children: the most tangible benefits have been in mental and physical health, creating considerable reductions in NHS costs.

Research has shown that these benefits continue into teenage years. The social benefit, alongside personal and community assistance, is less measurable but of equal importance.

Cuts in local authority finance have meant that the majority of Sure Start centres have closed, thus depriving many parents and their children of a readily accessible, popular and useful professional service.

Conference resolves that:

- Labour commits to a restoration of the number of Sure Start centres to at least the level of 2010.
- Labour commits to giving local authorities a level of ring-fenced funding sufficient for the revitalised Sure Start programme.

St Albans CLP

ELECTORAL REFORM

The Tories are attacking British democracy: suppressing the right to vote, undermining the right to protest, imposing punishing trade union laws, lying to Parliament, using public funds for private gain and spreading bigotry and division. Faith in politics is at an all-time low.

Devolution was a major achievement of the last Labour government. But by gifting the Tories a majority of seats on a minority of the vote, the First Past the Post (FPTP) electoral system has left our democracy wide open to attack. In 19 of the last 20 general elections, most people voted for parties to the left of the Tories, yet they have governed for two-thirds of that time and are using this power to rig the system further. FPTP encourages apathy and disengagement by forcing parties to prioritise swing voters in marginal constituencies while neglecting most voters and communities.

Labour is already committed to extending democracy, from strengthening devolution to Lords reform. But our democratic system will remain vulnerable - and our society at constant risk of Tory minority rule - until we replace FPTP with a form of Proportional Representation.

Conference resolves that:

- Labour must make a commitment to introduce Proportional Representation for general elections in the next manifesto.
- During its first term in office, the next Labour government must change the voting system for general elections to a form of PR.
- Labour should convene an open and inclusive process to decide the specific proportional voting system it will introduce.

Alyn and Deeside CLP, Arundel and South Downs CLP, Beaconsfield CLP, Bedford CLP, Bishop Auckland CLP, Bournemouth East CLP, Bridgwater and West Somerset CLP, Brighton, Kempdown CLP, Bristol East CLP, Bromley and Chislehurst CLP, Buckingham CLP, Camborne and Redruth CLP, Charnwood CLP, Christchurch CLP, Croydon Central CLP, Daventry CLP, Dwyfor Meirionnydd CLP, East Devon CLP, Filton and Bradley Stoke CLP, Gedling CLP, Glasgow Maryhill and Springburn CLP, Gloucester CLP, Grantham and Stamford CLP, Hackney South and Shoreditch CLP, Halifax CLP, Harlow CLP, Harwich and North Essex CLP, Havant CLP, Hazel Grove CLP, Henley CLP, Hertford and Stortford CLP, Hertsmere CLP, Hexham CLP, Heywood and Middleton CLP, Hornchurch and Upminster CLP, Hornsey and Wood Green CLP, Kingswood CLP, Leeds North West CLP, Maidenhead CLP, Mid Dorset and North Poole CLP, Middlesbrough CLP, Milton Keynes North CLP, Milton Keynes South CLP, Mole Valley CLP, North East Hertfordshire CLP, North Somerset CLP, Oxford East CLP, Pendle CLP, Plymouth Sutton and Devonport CLP, Poole CLP, Richmond (Yorks) CLP, Romford CLP, Salisbury CLP, Sheffield Hallam CLP, Sheffield Heeley CLP, Shipley CLP, Skipton and Ripon CLP, Sleaford and North Hykeham CLP, South Norfolk CLP, South Northamptonshire CLP, South West Bedfordshire CLP, Stockton North CLP, Stone CLP, Stratford-On-Avon CLP, Surrey Heath CLP, Tatton CLP, The Cotswolds CLP, Tonbridge and Malling CLP, Tooting CLP, Wells CLP, West Lancashire CLP, Westmorland and Lonsdale CLP, Windsor CLP, Woking CLP, Wokingham CLP, Worcester CLP, York Outer CLP

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Labour is committed to extending democracy, from strengthening devolution to Lords reform. But democracy will remain vulnerable, our society at constant risk of Tory minority rule, until we replace FPTP with a form of Proportional Representation that maintains the constituency link, such as the additional member system.

Conference resolves that:

- Labour opposes the use of FPTP for general elections.
- The next Labour government must explore and consult upon, then select and introduce, a new voting system for the UK.
- Electoral reform for the Commons must be an explicit part of any wider constitutional reform policy that Labour develops, including through any Constitutional Convention/Commission or review.

Ashford CLP

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Conference resolves that:

- Labour must make a commitment to introduce Proportional Representation for general (and local) elections in the next manifesto.
- During its first term in office the next Labour government must change the voting system for general elections to a form of PR.
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Bath CLP

The Conservatives are undermining British democracy: suppressing the right to vote, undermining the right to protest, imposing trade union laws, using public funds for private gain and spreading bigotry and division. Faith in politics (and politicians) is at an all-time low. Devolution was a major achievement in the last Labour government.

By gifting the Conservatives a majority of seats on a minority of the vote, the First Past The Post (FPTP) electoral system has left our democracy wide open to attack. In 19 of the last 20 general elections most people voted for parties to the left of the Conservatives, yet they have governed for two-thirds of that time and are using this power to rig the system further. FPTP encourages apathy and disengagement by forcing parties to prioritise swing voters in marginal constituencies while neglecting most voters and communities.

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Berwick CLP resolves that:

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Berwick-Upon-Tweed CLP

Proportional Representation After the hottest summer on record, millions now face a cold, desperate winter. A Tory government incapable of tackling climate change is also failing to support working people as inflation soars, public services crumble and the fuel poverty crisis deepens. These are political decisions, based on putting the profit of a few before the welfare of the many.

As prices skyrocket, Tory politicians tell working people they must accept getting poorer whilst promising tax cuts for the rich. No one voted for housing, food, heating or transport to be beyond the means of ordinary people. No one voted for our health, education and justice systems to be underfunded past breaking point. These things are happening because our political system has catastrophically failed to represent people's wishes, needs and votes. Our democracy is broken.

Labour must commit to fixing it, beginning with the rotten electoral system which consistently hands power to a Conservative minority. First Past The Post gives a veto over a better future to a small number of swing voters in a handful of marginal seats. To build a better society, everyone must have an equal voice.

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Bethnal Green and Bow CLP, Bracknell CLP, Broadland CLP, Dagenham and Rainham CLP, Galloway and West Dumfries CLP, North East Bedfordshire CLP, Taunton Deane CLP, Wealden CLP, West Dorset CLP, West Suffolk CLP

This Branch / Constituency Labour Party welcomes the overwhelming support for Proportional Representation amongst the Labour membership demonstrated at the 2021 Labour Party conference.

80% of CLP delegates and four affiliated trade unions voted in favour of a Labour Party manifesto commitment, at the next general election, to introduce a proportional voting system for general elections; and an open and inclusive process to decide the specific voting system Labour will commit to.

However, electoral reform has not yet won the support of all of the wider Labour movement, including some of the largest trade unions.

This BLP / CLP believes that:

As a democratic socialist party, Labour must commit to PR as an expression of our values of equality, democracy, and fairness.

First Past the Post does long-term damage to the health of our democracy by forcing Labour to prioritise swing voters in marginal seats, to the neglect of the majority who live in 'safe seats'.

First Past the Post gives the Tories an unfair advantage, allowing them to govern the UK for 2/3rds of the last seven decades without ever winning a majority of the popular vote. PR would level the playing field.

This BLP / CLP resolves:

To call on the Leader, the National Executive Committee, and the National Policy Forum to commit to introducing a proportional voting system under the next Labour government.

Birmingham, Selly Oak CLP

Under this Tory government we have seen a culture of undermining the Rule of Law, breaching the Ministerial code, and ultimately undermining our democracy.

The events since 2019 has shown contempt toward the public. From unlawfully proroguing parliament, Owen Patterson breaking the ministerial code, allowing Priti

Patel to remain in post despite bullying civil servants, to promoting Chris Pincher despite knowing of his sexual misconduct. But finally, the brazen culture of partying during the pandemic, whilst so many made sacrifices this Government will never understand but ultimately asked us all to obey.

This motion calls for several actions:-

1. Replace the Ministerial Code with a Legally Binding contract, with clear consequences for breaches. With key examples when consequences are triggered. Including, suspensions, resignations, and removal of an MP or even PM and the automatic triggering of a by-election.
2. Increase the Electoral Commission's powers, to hold political parties, candidates, and MPs to account, if they are found to have broken the rules. The consequences include the ability to exclude candidates or MPs from standing for election.
3. MPs shouldn't ordinarily hold second jobs, and that any secondary income can't surpass their MP salary (Some exceptions apply).

These bold steps will show the public that the Labour Party, not only sets the rules, and lives by them, but ultimately show the public that we are not all the same.

Blackpool North and Cleveleys CLP

In 19 of the last 20 general elections most people voted for parties to the left of the Tories, yet they have governed for two-thirds of that time. Our antiquated electoral system, First Past the Post (FPTP), works to the benefit of the Tory right-wing pact within one party, and gives them unrepresentative power to rig the system further.

The Conservative Party always reverses the gains Labour makes for working people, and is now eroding British democracy by undermining our rights to vote and to protest. Its Prime Minister has lied to Parliament, and threatened peace in Ireland and trust in the UK government, isolating our country. The only way to stop the Tories dragging Britain backwards against the will of the majority of voters is to change an electoral system biased towards the right.

Nearly all other European countries adopted proportional electoral systems about a hundred years ago, recognizing that democracy requires every vote to count. It is time the UK joined the modern world and stopped wasting the votes of millions of its citizens.

Labour introduced proportional representation for the devolved authorities last century and must build on that achievement.

Conference therefore calls on the Labour Party

to reject First Past the Post for UK General Elections and for Local Government Elections in England in the next manifesto

and to select, by a democratic process, appropriate proportional voting systems to be implemented during the first term in office of the next Labour Government.

Bognor Regis and Littlehampton CLP

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Whitstable Branch Labour Party believes that:

- As a democratic socialist party, Labour must commit to PR as an expression of our values of equality, democracy, and fairness.
- First Past the Post does long-term damage to the health of our democracy by forcing Labour to prioritise swing voters in marginal seats, to the neglect of the majority who live in 'safe seats'.
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Labour is already committed to extending democracy, from strengthening devolution to Lords reform. But our democratic system will remain vulnerable - and our society at constant risk of Tory minority rule - until we replace FPTP with a form of Proportional Representation.

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Cheltenham CLP, Mid Derbyshire CLP, Stafford CLP

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Chesham and Amersham CLP

British democracy is under attack : the right to vote is being suppressed;
the right to protest undermined; trades unions are being punished;
Parliament lied to; public funds used for private gain, with

bigotry and division on the rise. Faith in politics is at an all time low.

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marginal constituencies while neglecting most voters and communities. Proportional Representation makes every vote count.

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Devizes CLP

CONFERENCE NOTES:

- That in the 2019 General Election, there were: 38,264 votes for every Tory MP elected; 50,836 for every Labour MP; 25,882 for every SNP MP; 336,038 for every Lib Dem MP; versus an average of 49,252 for a single MP; this puts the Conservatives at an unfair advantage over other parties
- There has not been a Conservative majority in the national popular vote since 1935, yet the Conservatives have won ten Parliamentary majorities in that time
- The world's most robust democracies enjoy higher turnout in proportional electoral systems

CONFERENCE BELIEVES:

- 'First past the post' is- an antiquated method of electing representatives in a 21st century democracy; the UK and Belarus are the only European countries maintaining this broken system
- The current system exacerbates and entrenches social divides by disenfranchising millions
- Electoral reform is a fundamental solution to safeguarding the union, addressing distrust and alienation in politics, and sustaining participative democracy

CONFERENCE RESOLVES:

- To embrace electoral reform which ensures all votes are valued in a system of proportional representation which also preserves the vital direct link between representatives and communities
- That the UK should adopt a standard system for general, devolved and local elections to aid public comprehension and participation
- That the electoral calendar should be better organised to co-ordinate the frequency of elections and consolidate voter interest
- That the next Labour Government will sustain the spirit of universal suffrage by reversing Conservative efforts to make voting harder

Dundee City East CLP

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Labour is already committed to extending democracy, from strengthening devolution to Lords reform. But our democratic system will remain vulnerable - and our society at constant risk of Tory minority rule - until we replace FPTP with a form of Proportional Representation.

Conference resolves that:

- Labour must make a commitment to introduce Proportional Representation for general elections in the next manifesto.
- During its first term in office the next Labour government must change the voting system for general elections to a form of PR.
- Labour should convene an open and inclusive process to decide the specific proportional voting system it will introduce.

Enfield Southgate CLP

The First Past the Post (FPTP) voting system is a barrier to progressive change, repeatedly returning extreme Tory governments against the wishes of most voters. In

19 of the last 20 general elections parties to the left of the Conservatives won the popular vote yet the Tories have governed for two-thirds of that time.

This has enabled soaring inequality, underfunded public services, attacks on trade unions and callous and incompetent responses to Covid and climate breakdown.

FPTP privileges 'swing voters' over neglected voters - including younger, black and minority ethnic communities. It allows the UK to be governed by an out of touch elite, throwing our democracy into crisis.

Those societies with the lowest levels of inequality and social exclusion all have proportional voting systems. No other left-wing party in Europe supports the use of FPTP for general elections and polling shows three quarters of Labour members want Labour to back PR.

'Levelling up' is about power, not just economic opportunity. We need a Labour government to transform society. But to protect the gains we make in power, to avoid losing future decades to Tory minority rule and to give everyone a real voice in a 21st century democracy, we must change the voting system.

Conference resolves that:

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- Labour should convene an open and inclusive process, to decide the specific voting system which it will commit to introducing in the next manifesto.

Exeter CLP

Falkirk West CLP notes:

In 19 of the last 20 general elections most people voted for parties to the left of the Tories, yet they have governed for two-thirds of that time.

FPTP results in unrepresentative parliaments with the Tories having a minimum of the vote share and a majority of the seats. In Scotland we are in an even worse position with only one Labour MP

The Tories are attacking British democracy: suppressing the right to vote, undermining the right to protest, imposing punishing trade union laws, lying to Parliament, using public funds for private gain and spreading bigotry and division. FPTP is enabling them in this process.

Falkirk West believes:

FPTP does not reflect voters preferences.

FPTP focuses efforts on marginal seats and leads to the neglect of many constituencies. This leads to voter apathy and faith in politics falling to an all time low.

Our democratic system will remain vulnerable - and our society at constant risk of Tory minority rule - until we replace FPTP with a form of Proportional Representation.

Falkirk West resolves that:

- Labour must make a commitment to introduce Proportional Representation for general elections in the next manifesto.
- During its first term in office the next Labour government must change the voting system for general elections to a form of PR.
- Labour should convene an open and inclusive process to decide the specific proportional voting system it will introduce.

Falkirk West CLP

The Forest of Dean CLP notes that forty-six of the fifty-five CLPs in the South West have passed policy motions in support of a change to the Westminster voting system. It also notes that 23 South West CLPs sent a strong motion to last year's Annual Party Conference calling for an end to first-past-the-post voting in general elections, and that almost 80% of CLPs supported the resulting composite. Additionally, at its 2021 conference, Unite the Union joined the TSSA and other unions in making the same call.

This Forest of Dean CLP and supports the determination of both party members and affiliates to research, discuss, and campaign for alternatives to the current voting system in England, and undertakes to facilitate and encourage this activity.

Forest of Dean CLP

Conference notes that the Labour Party has long recognised that the House of Lords is not fit for purpose and that it has no place in a modern democracy.

Conference believes that Labour should now commit itself to the abolition of the current House of Lords and its replacement with an elected second chamber or Senate and should legislate to that end in the first term of the next Labour Government.

This second chamber should act as a revising body that seeks to improve legislation. In order to have legitimacy we further believe that this new body should be democratically elected and must reflect the makeup and identity of the United Kingdom.

Conference looks forward to the publication of the report on the issue of the House of Lords by former Prime Minister Gordon Brown due to be published later this year, and resolves to use it as a springboard for progressive reform

Glasgow Anniesland CLP

The Great Yarmouth Constituency Labour Party proposes that the Labour Party legislates for Proportional Representation as a change to voting rights for all future General Elections, County and Local elections.

80% of CLP delegates and four affiliated trade unions voted in favour of a Labour Party manifesto commitment, at the next general election, to introduce a proportional voting system for general elections; and an open and inclusive process to decide the specific voting system Labour will commit to.

This CLP believes that as a democratic socialist party, Labour must commit to PR as an expression of our values of equality, democracy, and fairness.

1. First Past the Post does long-term damage to the health of our democracy by forcing Labour to prioritise swing voters in marginal seats, to the neglect of the majority who live in 'safe seats'.
2. First Past the Post gives the Tories an unfair advantage, allowing them to govern the UK for 2/3rds of the last seven decades without ever winning a majority of the popular vote. PR would level the playing field.

The Great Yarmouth Constituency Labour Party proposes that the Labour Party legislates for Proportional Representation as a change to voting rights for all future General Elections, County and Local elections.

Great Yarmouth CLP

Passed by a majority of the General Committee of the Greenwich & Woolwich CLP

This CLP calls upon the Labour Party to reject First Past the Post, the voting system currently used for general elections, and to support the introduction of a form of Proportional Representation in which all votes count equally and seats match votes.

We call upon the Justice and Home Affairs Policy Commission of the National Policy Forum to consult the party membership specifically about their views on Proportional Representation in the next cycle of policy documents.

We also call upon the Labour Party to set out how it will select a new proportional voting system in time to offer it as a concrete alternative to First Past the Post in our next manifesto.

Greenwich and Woolwich CLP

The First Past the Post (FPTP) electoral system is a barrier to change, repeatedly returning governments who have not won the popular vote

FPTP prevents a fair and equal distribution of votes to seats. Johnson won an 80 seat majority from a rise of only 1% change in votes cast for the Conservatives compared to the previous General Election. It allows the winning party to ignore all other votes even when it may have won fewer votes overall. It does not incentivise cooperation or working for the common good. This has enabled soaring inequality, underfunded

public services, attacks on trade unions and callous and incompetent responses to Covid-19 and the climate emergency. Those societies with the lowest levels of inequality and social exclusion all have proportional voting systems. No other left-wing party in Europe supports the use of FPTP for general elections and polling shows 75% of Labour members want Labour to back Proportional Representation.(PR).

We need a Labour government to transform society, but to protect the gains we make in power, to avoid losing future decades to minority rule and to give everyone a real voice, we must change the voting system.

Conference resolves that:

- The next Labour government must change the voting system for general elections to a form of PR.
- Labour should organise an open and inclusive process involving members and affiliated bodies, to decide on the specific PR system, which it will commit to introducing in the next manifesto.

Haltemprice and Howden CLP

The Tories are attacking British democracy: suppressing the right to vote, undermining the right to protest, imposing punishing trade union laws, lying to Parliament, using public funds for private gain and spreading bigotry and division. Faith in politics is at an all time low. Devolution was a major achievement of the last Labour government. But by gifting the Tories a majority of seats on a minority of the vote, the First Past the Post (FPTP) electoral system has left our democracy wide open to attack. In 19 of the last 20 general elections most people voted for parties to the left of the Tories, yet they have governed for two-thirds of that time and are using this power to rig the system further. FPTP encourages apathy and disengagement by forcing parties to prioritise swing voters in marginal constituencies while neglecting most voters and communities.

Labour is already committed to extending democracy, from strengthening devolution to Lords reform. But our democratic system will remain vulnerable - and our society at constant risk of Tory minority rule - until we replace FPTP with a form of proportional Representation.

Conference resolves that:

- Labour must make a commitment to introduce Proportional Representation for all elections in the next manifesto.
- During its first term in office the next Labour government must change the voting system for all elections to a form of PR.
- Labour should convene an open and inclusive process to decide the specific proportional voting system it will introduce.

Harrogate and Knaresborough CLP, Huntingdon CLP

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Conference resolves that:

- Labour must make a commitment to introduce Proportional Representation for general elections in the next manifesto.
- During its first term in office the next Labour government must change the voting system for general elections to a form of PR.
- Labour should convene an open and inclusive process to decide the specific proportional voting system it will introduce.

Hitchin and Harpenden CLP

The Conservative Party are attacking British democracy: suppressing the right to vote, undermining the right to protest, imposing punishing trade union laws, lying to Parliament, using public funds for private gain and spreading bigotry and division. Faith in politics is at an all-time low.

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Conference resolves that:

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Monmouth CLP

With 80% support for PR from CLPs at Conference 2021, we came very close to achieving a change in Party policy.

Given the continuing build-up of support, especially in the Affiliated Unions, it is highly likely that success can finally be achieved at Conference 2022. But this will only happen if we can ensure that PR is one of the six nominated motions that is selected for debate, and then supported in the vote on the floor, at Liverpool, this Autumn.

A Labour manifesto commitment to Electoral reform would present a one-off opportunity for cohesive, pro PR, multi-Party opposition to the Tories at the next General Election; sufficient to overturn their formidable majority and evict them from office in 2024.

Such a result would unlock the door to the many transformative policies that could be enacted with Labour in power, including an opportunity to change a FPTP voting system, which so disproportionately favours long term political dominance by The Conservatives.

Newcastle East CLP therefore supports L4ND's resolution, and proposes it as our own nomination for Conference 2022, as follows:

Conference resolves that:

- Labour must make a commitment to introduce Proportional Representation for general elections in the next manifesto.
- During its first term in office the next Labour government must change the voting system for general elections to a form of PR.

- Labour should convene an open and inclusive process to decide the specific proportional voting system it will introduce.

Newcastle Upon Tyne East CLP

THE MOTION : Newton Abbot CLP demands that Conference resolve that:

The Labour Party must make a commitment to introduce Proportional Representation for general elections in the next manifesto.

During its first term in office the next Labour government must change the voting system for general elections to a form of PR.

Labour should convene an open and inclusive process to decide the specific proportional voting system it will introduce.

Newton Abbot CLP

Conference resolves that:

Labour must make a commitment to introduce Proportional Representation for general elections in the next manifesto.

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North Dorset CLP

The Tories are attacking British democracy: suppressing the right to vote, undermining the right to protest, imposing punishing trade union laws, lying to Parliament, using public funds for private gain and spreading bigotry and division. Faith in politics is at an all time low. Labour is already committed to extending democracy, from strengthening devolution to Lords reform. But our democratic system will remain vulnerable - and our society at constant risk of Tory minority rule - until we replace FPTP with a form of Proportional Representation. Devolution was a major achievement of the last Labour government. But by gifting the Tories a majority of seats on a minority of the vote, the First Past the Post (FPTP) electoral system has left our democracy wide open to attack. In 19 of the last 20 general elections most people voted for parties to the left of the Tories, yet they have governed for two-thirds of that time and are using this power to rig the system further. FPTP encourages apathy and disengagement by forcing parties to prioritise swing voters in marginal constituencies while neglecting most voters and communities.

Conference resolves that: Labour must make a commitment to introduce Proportional Representation for general elections in the next manifesto. During its first term in

office the next Labour government must change the voting system for general elections to a form of PR. Labour should convene an open and inclusive process to decide the specific proportional voting system it will introduce.

North Thanet CLP

First Past the Post (FPTP) votes do not have equal value. General elections are decided by swing voters in fewer than 100 marginal constituencies.

FPTP privileges 'swing voters' over neglected voters – including younger and minority ethnic communities. It creates widespread disenfranchisement, disillusion, and disengagement in politics, throwing our democracy into crisis. It exacerbates regional, class, gender, wealth, and racial inequalities in our political culture, and national conversation. FPTP is unfit for purpose, stacked against the interests of less affluent people and communities, and urgently in need of reform.

A voting system in which every vote counts equally is needed to address the worrying levels of alienation, division, and mistrust in British politics. Labour played a leading role in introducing forms of proportional representation (PR) to the UK's devolved Governments. There are systems of PR that retain a strong constituency link between MPs and their electorates, while ensuring that votes count equally and seats match votes.

Those societies with the lowest levels of inequality and social exclusion have proportional voting systems. To give everyone a real voice in this country, we must introduce PR.

Conference resolves that:

- Labour should convene an open and inclusive process, to decide the specific form of proportional representation which the Party will commit to implementing
- The Leader, NEC, and NPF should commit to introducing a proportional voting system under the next Labour government.
- The next Labour government must change the voting system for general elections to a form of PR.

North West Leicestershire CLP

The First Past the Post voting system is a barrier to progressive change, repeatedly returning extreme Tory governments against the wishes of most voters. In 19 of the last 20 general elections parties to the left of the Conservatives won the popular vote yet the Tories have governed for two-thirds of that time.

This has enabled soaring inequality, underfunded public services, attacks on trade unions and callous and incompetent responses to Covid and climate breakdown.

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Those societies with the lowest levels of inequality and social exclusion all have proportional voting systems. No other left-wing party in Europe supports the use of FPTP for general elections and polling shows three quarters of Labour members want Labour to back PR.

'Levelling up' is about power, not just economic opportunity. We need a Labour government to transform society. But to protect the gains we make in power, to avoid losing future decades to Tory minority rule and to give everyone a real voice in a 21st century democracy, we must change the voting system.

Conference resolves that:

- the next Labour government must change the voting system for general elections to a form of Proportional Representation.
- Labour should convene an open and inclusive process, to decide the specific voting system which it will commit to introducing in the next manifesto.

North Wiltshire CLP

The Tories are attacking British democracy: suppressing the right to vote by introducing the unjust, unnecessary and discriminatory requirement to show photo ID when voting; undermining the right to protest; imposing punishing trade union laws; lying to Parliament; using public funds for private gain and spreading bigotry and division.

The simple majority electoral system has left our democracy wide open to attack. In 19 of the last 20 general elections most people voted for parties to the left of the Tories, yet they have governed for two-thirds of that time and are using this power to rig the system further. FPTP encourages apathy and disengagement by forcing parties to prioritise swing voters in marginal constituencies while neglecting most voters and communities. Constituency boundaries based on numbers of registered electors, rather than total population size, further entrench Tory electoral advantage, whilst having a detrimental effect on the representation of those less likely to register to vote, especially younger, diverse or deprived communities.

Conference resolves that:

- Labour must make a commitment to introduce Proportional Representation for general and local elections in the next manifesto.
- During its first term in office the next Labour government must change the voting system for elections to a form of PR.
- Labour should convene an open and inclusive process to decide the specific proportional voting system it will introduce.

- Labour must repeal the Elections Act 2022.
- Labour must ensure that future boundaries of electoral areas are calculated based on total population of voting age.

Nottingham South CLP

Background

With First Past the Post (FPTP) votes do not have equal value. General elections are decided by swing voters in fewer than 100 marginal constituencies. FPTP has created 'electoral deserts'.

A voting system in which every vote counts equally is needed to address the worrying levels of alienation, division and mistrust in British politics. Labour in government played a leading role in introducing forms of Proportional Representation (PR) to the UK's devolved Government. There are systems of PR that retain strong constituency links between MPs and their electorates, while ensuring that all votes count equally and seats match votes. FPTP privileges 'swing voters' over neglected voters - including younger, black and minority ethnic communities. It creates widespread disenfranchisement, disillusionment, and disengagement in politics, throwing our democracy into crisis. It exacerbates regional, class, gender, wealth and racial inequalities in the House of Commons, in our political culture, and in national conversation. FPTP is unfit for purpose, stacked against the interests of less affluent people and communities, and is urgently in need of reform.

We need a Labour government to transform society, to give everyone a real voice in a 21st century democracy, we must change the voting system.

Motion

Conference resolves that:

1. Labour must commit to introduce Proportional Representation for general elections in the next manifesto.
2. During its first term in office the next Labour government will convene an open and inclusive process to change and implement the voting system for general elections to a form of PR.

Reigate CLP

Devolution was a major achievement of the last Labour government. But by gifting the Tories a majority of seats on a minority of the vote, the First Past the Post (FPTP) electoral system has left our democracy wide open to attack. In 19 of the last 20 general elections most people voted for parties to the left of the Tories, yet they have governed for two-thirds of that time and are using this power to rig the system further. FPTP encourages apathy and disengagement by forcing parties to prioritise

swing voters in marginal constituencies while neglecting most voters and communities.

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Conference resolves that:

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- Labour should convene an open and inclusive process to decide the specific proportional voting system it will introduce.

Romsey and Southampton North CLP

Proportional Representation

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South Thanet CLP resolves that:

- Labour must make a commitment to introduce Proportional Representation for general elections in the next manifesto.
- Labour should convene an open and inclusive process to decide the specific proportional voting system it will introduce.

South Thanet CLP

Test CLP condemns the Tories attacks on British democracy: suppressing the right to vote, undermining the right to protest, imposing punishing trade union laws, lying to Parliament, using public funds for private gain and spreading bigotry and division.

Test CLP acknowledges how devolution was a major achievement of the last Labour government. However, by gifting the Tories a majority of seats on a minority of the vote, the First Past the Post (FPTP) electoral system has left our democracy wide open to attack. Labour is committed to extending democracy, from strengthening devolution to Lords reform. But our democratic system will remain vulnerable - and our society at constant risk of Tory minority rule - until we replace FPTP with a form of Proportional Representation.

Test CLP, therefore, calls on Party Conference to ensure that:

- Labour makes a commitment to introduce Proportional Representation for general elections in the next manifesto.
- During its first term in office the next Labour government will change the voting system for general elections to a form of PR.
- Labour convenes an open and inclusive process to decide the specific proportional voting system it will introduce.

Southampton, Test CLP

Millions face a cold, desperate winter. A Tory government incapable of tackling climate change is also failing to support working people as inflation soars, public services crumble and the fuel poverty crisis deepens.

These are political decisions, based on putting the profit of a few before the welfare of the many. As prices skyrocket, Tory politicians tell working people they must accept getting poorer whilst promising tax cuts for the rich.

No one voted for housing, food, heating or transport to be beyond the means of ordinary people. No one voted for our health, education and justice systems to be underfunded past breaking point.

These things are happening because our political system has catastrophically failed to represent people's wishes, needs and votes.

Our democracy is broken. Labour must commit to fixing it, beginning with the rotten electoral system which consistently hands power to a Conservative minority. First Past The Post gives a veto over a better future to a small number of swing voters in a handful of marginal seats. To build a better society, everyone must have an equal voice.

Conference resolves that:

- Labour must make a commitment to introduce Proportional Representation for general elections in the next manifesto.

- During its first term in office the next Labour government must change the voting system for general elections to a form of PR.
- Labour should convene an open and inclusive process to decide the specific proportional voting system it will introduce.

Sutton and Cheam CLP

Conference believes that our vote is a powerful symbol of our democracy but that the Conservatives have attacked our democracy and stripped politics of transparency and accountability.

The current system has created widespread disenfranchisement and disengagement in politics. With too many people feeling their votes are pointless, the current system is not fit for purpose.

The Labour Party represents the voice of working people, and this failed system has had devastating consequences for ordinary British people.

Labour in government needs to tackle the widespread marginalisation and detachment of people including the way our country is governed and our representatives are chosen.

A system in which every person's vote counts is needed to address the alienation, division and mistrust in British politics.

Conference resolves that Labour in government should ensure everyone has a voice in our democracy.

Therefore, Conference resolves that in government, the Labour Party will commit to a programme of electoral reform to tackle the UK's democratic deficit. This will include:

- A consultation on models of the advantages and disadvantages of different voting systems. Each of these different voting systems must retain a constituency link. There will be accountability with a clear timeline and transparent criteria on how a new voting system would be decided.
- The requirement for compulsory voter registration of all eligible electors
- The removal of malign and damaging foreign interference from our politics
- A review into the benefits of holding elections at weekends and/or across multiple days.

Tunbridge Wells CLP

Warwick and Leamington Constituency Labour Party resolves

- To call upon the Labour Party to make a commitment to introduce Proportional Representation for general elections in the next manifesto.

- To call upon the Labour Party, during its first term in office, to change the voting system for general elections to a form of PR.
- To call upon the Labour Party to convene an open and inclusive process to decide the specific proportional voting system it will introduce.

Warwick and Leamington CLP

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Devolution was a major achievement of the last Labour government. But by gifting the Tories a majority of seats on a minority of the vote, the First Past the Post (FPTP) electoral system has left our democracy wide open to attack. In 19 of the last 20 general elections most people voted for parties to the left of the Tories, yet they have governed for two-thirds of that time and are using this power to rig the system further. FPTP encourages apathy and disengagement by forcing parties to prioritise swing voters in marginal constituencies while neglecting most voters and communities.

Labour is already committed to extending democracy, from strengthening devolution to Lords reform. But our democratic system will remain vulnerable - and our society at constant risk of Tory minority rule - until we replace FPTP with a form of Proportional Representation.

Conference resolves that:

1. Labour must make a commitment to introduce Proportional Representation for general elections in the next manifesto.
2. During its first term in office the next Labour government must change the voting system for general elections to a form of PR.
3. Labour should convene an open and inclusive process to decide the specific proportional voting system it will introduce.

Weston-Super-Mare CLP

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'Levelling up' is about power, not just economic opportunity. We need a Labour government to transform society. But to protect the gains we make in power, to avoid losing future decades to Tory minority rule and to give everyone a real voice in a 21st century democracy, we must change the voting system.

Conference resolves that:

- the next Labour government must change the voting system for general elections to a form of Proportional Representation.
- Labour should convene an open and inclusive process, to decide the specific voting system which it will commit to introducing in the next manifesto.

Worthing West CLP

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Labour is already committed to extending democracy, from strengthening devolution to Lords reform. But our democratic system will remain vulnerable - and our society at constant risk of Tory minority rule - until we replace FPTP with a form of Proportional Representation.

Conference resolves to commit Labour to:

- Include legislating for Proportional Representation for general elections in the next Labour manifesto, to be delivered within the first term of a Labour Government.
- an open and inclusive process to decide the specific voting system to be introduced and instructs the NEC to report back to Conference 2023 on this.

The Tories are attacking British democracy: suppressing the right to vote, undermining the right to protest, imposing punishing trade union laws, lying to Parliament, using public funds for private gain and spreading bigotry and division. Faith in politics is at an all-time low.

Devolution was a major achievement of the last Labour government. But by gifting the Tories a majority of seats on a minority of the vote, the First Past the Post (FPTP) electoral system has left our democracy wide open to attack. In 19 of the last 20 general elections most people voted for parties to the left of the Tories, yet they have governed for two-thirds of that time and are using this power to rig the system further. FPTP encourages apathy and disengagement by forcing parties to prioritise swing voters in marginal constituencies while neglecting most voters and communities.

Labour is already committed to extending democracy, from strengthening devolution to Lords reform. But our democratic system will remain vulnerable - and our society at constant risk of Tory minority rule - until we replace FPTP with a form of Proportional Representation.

Conference resolves that:

- Labour must make a commitment to introduce Proportional Representation for general elections in the next manifesto.
- During its first term in office the next Labour government must change the voting system for general elections to a form of PR.
- Labour should convene an open and inclusive process to decide the specific proportional voting system it will introduce.

ENERGY AND THE COST OF LIVING

We, in Boston and Skegness CLP, ask the Conference to consider including the National Bus Pass Scheme to cover inclusion of travel in Scotland and Wales, as well as covering the areas where the persons concerned live in England, Scotland or Wales.

Furthermore, we ask that the concessions also apply to rail travel, throughout the United Kingdom.

Most people on travel concessions are either on State Pensions or have a disability, resulting in them being on fixed incomes. Those who rely on public transport are consequently limited to using their concessions for travel on local bus services which are infrequent in rural areas, where there may be an alternative of travelling by train. This would help reduce the use of cars, impacting positively on the environment, i.e. net zero and helping develop public transport.

Extending the National Bus Pass service to cover England, Scotland and Wales would provide more travel opportunities for pensioners and disabled persons, who do not have the use of the car, due to illness or financial issues, giving them more freedom, benefitting their well being and mental health.

However, if we are to be serious about the green agenda, we need to make public transport accessible to all citizens living in rural areas.

It is the view of the Boston and Skegness CLP that Conference supports The reintroduction of a fully regulated bus service for rural areas.

This is necessary if we want to reverse rural poverty and deprivation.

Boston and Skegness CLP

The UK is currently in a cost-of-living crisis with the highest levels of inflation for more than 40 years.

A combination of the general rates of inflation alongside specific pressures such as fuel and energy costs which have increased far beyond inflation and still seem to be spiralling out of control with no end or reassurance in sight have left many families struggling.

Conference recognises and thanks the voluntary & community sector in helping our communities in this most challenging of times. The fact that people, including many in work, have to rely on charity to feed their families in one of the richest countries on the planet is a disgrace.

The Trussell Trust have reported in the period April 2021 to March 2022 they have distributed more than 2.1 million food parcels.

Conference reaffirms its demand for an emergency budget to assist families at this challenging time.

Conference further restates that the oil and gas companies who have made record profits, as one CEO referred to it as a 'Cash Machine', must pay their fair share to ensure that families are not left at risk of further hardship.

Chatham and Aylesford CLP

Conference notes:

Energy bills are rising to over - £3,000 per year, leaving 8.5 million households unable to heat their homes.

Oil and gas companies have handed out almost - £200 billion to shareholders since 2010.

Privatised National Grid has a monopoly on gas transmission across the UK mainland and electricity transmission in England.

The energy bill crisis highlights the need for radical measures to defend and improve living standards and exposes how our energy system is organised.

Recent UK Labour Conferences have voted overwhelmingly for 'public ownership of energy including energy companies, creating an integrated, democratic system'• , and 'public ownership of energy, creating an integrated democratic system; public ownership of the Big Six respectively.

Conference believes:

Full public ownership, democratic control and radical reorganisation of the energy industry are necessary to tackle the climate crisis, and for social, ecological and security reasons. Our energy system should work for all, not just a handful of shareholders.

Our Leadership should immediately advocate for this as part of a socialist Green New Deal.

Conference resolves Labour will campaign for and implement:

Full public ownership of the energy industry, including the National Grid and regional distribution, so it works for people and planet, not private profit.

A permanent windfall tax on oil and gas companies like Shell and BP at a 56% rate (on top of corporation tax), using revenue generated to expand publicly owned renewables and cease the subsidising of private energy company

Clwyd South CLP

Conference notes:

People across the country are worried sick about paying their skyrocketing energy bills this winter.

Two-thirds of households are facing fuel poverty, while prepayment customers, often the lowest income and most vulnerable, will be hit hardest.

Tory failure on the economy and regulation has resulted in approximately 30 energy retailers collapsing, leaving consumers to foot the bill and an escalating cost-of-living crisis.

Labour has led calls for a windfall tax on oil and gas producers making huge excess profits from this situation, but the Conservatives can only offer a pale imitation.

Labour's energy price freeze would ensure no-one pays another penny on their bills this winter.

Labour would invest £28bn a year to tackle climate change.

Conference believes:

The Tories have failed to provide immediate relief or plan for our energy security, such as the decision to relinquish gas storage capacity at Rough, which has proved a costly mistake.

Oil and gas producers should not be able to distribute millions in excess profits to their shareholders while households struggle.

A huge insulation programme and a rapid, just transition to clean energy are vital for our energy security, lower bills, and new jobs.

Conference resolves Labour must:

Campaign for household support now, including ending prepayment meter injustice and an energy price freeze this winter.

Consider every avenue to improving our energy sector to deliver a fair deal for consumers and workers.

Support decarbonisation with a Green New Deal creating secure, well-paid, unionised jobs.

Crawley CLP, Leigh CLP, Runnymede and Weybridge CLP

Conference notes:

The terrible impacts of climate breakdown; already hitting us at home and abroad at just 1.2C above pre-industrial averages, combined with the terrible impacts of the rising price of fossil fuels on everyone's energy bills.

The \$2.85 billion profit made every day by fossil fuel producers.

The rapidly falling costs for producing energy from renewable sources.

The complete failure of market led Conservative gestures at home insulation or to reduce carbon emissions from Transport since 2010.

That Conservative backsliding on climate targets and failure to plan realistically for even those they have puts all our futures in danger.

Conference recognises that tackling the climate crisis can also help address the cost of living crisis.

Conference resolves:

To support the TUC affordable energy plan; to bring the big five into responsible public ownership at a cost of £2.85 billion (no more than the current government has spent on subsidising one private company) cap bills and provide energy security

To campaign for a windfall tax on the banks to pay for free public transport as Spain has done

To campaign to unblock the planning restrictions on Onshore Wind and for local campaigns wherever such a project is held up.

To support a tax of 56% on North Sea Oil and Gas producers pending public ownership

To develop a detailed plan for transition for workers in North Sea Oil and Gas to comparable jobs in renewable energy.

Croydon South CLP

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Derby North CLP

Conference notes:

- Energy bills are rising to nearly -£3,000 per year, leaving 8.5 million households unable to heat their homes.
- Oil and gas companies have handed out almost -£200 billion to shareholders since 2010.
- Privatised National Grid has a monopoly on gas transmission across the UK mainland and electricity transmission in England.
- The energy bill crisis highlights the need for radical measures to defend and improve living standards and exposes how our energy system is organised.
- Labour's 2021 and 2019 Conferences voted overwhelmingly for 'public ownership of energy including energy companies, creating an integrated, democratic system', and 'public ownership of energy, creating an integrated democratic system; public ownership of the Big Six' respectively.

Conference believes:

- Full public ownership, democratic control and radical reorganisation of the energy industry are necessary to tackle the climate crisis, and for social, ecological and security reasons. Our energy system should work for all, not just a handful of shareholders.
- The Leadership should immediately advocate for this as part of a socialist Green New Deal. Conference resolves Labour will campaign for and implement:
- Full public ownership of the energy industry, including the National Grid and regional distribution, on the lines of the 2021 and 2019 Conferences' policies so it works for people and planet, not private profit.
- A permanent windfall tax on oil and gas companies like Shell and BP at a 56% rate (on top of corporation tax), using revenue generated to expand publicly owned renewables, and cease subsidising energy supply companies

Eastleigh CLP, Elmet and Rothwell CLP, Nottingham East CLP

Families and citizens across the UK are facing the worst cost of living crisis in over a generation. More and more families and households are having to choose between heating and eating with repeated warnings that things will get worse before they get better which will mean an increase in poverty and inequality.

Short term measures are no longer enough to make sure that incomes and household budgets across the UK are protected in the long term. It is abhorrent and unacceptable that while energy companies post massive profits, fuel poverty is at an all time high and shows we have an energy policy that isn't working for the UK.

Conference notes:

On 2nd August 2022, BP posted record profits of - £6.9billion, reportedly the second highest level in its history.

It is anticipated that annual household energy bills could rise to over - £3,300 in October this year with a further rise to - £3,615 in the New Year.

Conference agrees:

The energy market is no longer competitive and is no longer capable of providing reasonable prices for families, people or small businesses.

The Labour Party must now explore all alternative energy market structures (including public ownership).

At the next election the Labour Party manifesto must include proposals on energy market reform and a wider energy policy which ensures domestic gas and electricity production is increased; that our energy network is decarbonised and ensures a fair price for gas and electricity is maintained in the long term.

Edinburgh Northern and Leith CLP

Conference notes:

The Conservatives' twelve years of unfettered markets and trickle-down economics has categorically failed to deliver prosperity and created an economy of low pay, weak productivity and high tax.

The climate crisis and emerging technological trends, including automation and digital technology, will necessitate structural economic shifts over the coming years and decades.

The Conservatives remain wedded to an outdated economic ideology and have no strategy to capitalise on these trends and ensure they do not widen deep-seated economic inequalities.

Conference believes:

The UK needs an active industrial strategy if it is to achieve net zero, create good jobs in every part of the country and take advantage of new technologies.

Conference resolves:

To support an industrial strategy, led by an active state and in partnership with trade unions, business and other stakeholders, and building on past and recent successes of the state in driving innovation.

To tackle rampant short-termism in the British economy, with asset-stripping and the loss of key sovereign capabilities leaving the UK economy fragile and exposed to external shocks.

To ensure jobs are not offshored and that the drive to net-zero creates good jobs, here in the UK, using government investment and procurement.

To include a plan for the parts of the economy where the majority of people work.

Erewash CLP, Poplar and Limehouse CLP

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On 2nd August 2022, BP posted record profits of £6.9billion, reportedly the second highest level in its history.

Energy bills will be capped at £2,500 a year for a typical household from 1 October for the next two winters.

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Glasgow Southside CLP

Conference notes that:

Businesses and the self-employed are key to prosperity and generating equality nationally. They have been ignored and damaged by Tory economic mismanagement, Covid policies and Brexit bureaucracy.

The UK is regularly bottom of growth forecasts and the Tory Government is incapable of dealing with both immediate and long-term challenges.

The cost-of-living crisis is creating a cost of livelihood crisis for businesses that threatens their existence and incomes of millions of working households.

Economic growth is key to prosperity but it must be sustainable and driven by equality, fairness and merit.

Conference urges Labour to:

1. Heed the voices of all businesses, large and small, with their key roles in our communities, and ensure access to affordable energy.
2. Rebuild social infrastructure to create a thriving society without which long-term sustainable growth cannot be achieved.
3. Tackle chronic labour shortages and provide adult education for all.
4. Improve the UK/EU Trade and Cooperation Agreement so it works for businesses.
5. Create a level-playing-field “charter for business” by reforming taxation and business rates, including the taxes paid by tech giants.
6. Clean up lobbying by introducing greater transparency to prevent opaque influence.
7. Extend the right for self-employed workers to join a trade union so they are represented on issues such as late-payments, fair contracts, employment status and health/safety.
8. Scrap damaging off-payroll-tax legislation for the self-employed so those taxed as employees receive employment rights.
9. Harness British enterprise by ensuring access to start-up funding based on merit.

Labour Business

Conference deplores the government’s failure to address the cost-of-living crisis affecting millions of people.

We reject OfGem’s decision to increase the energy price cap from £1,277 to £3,549 - subsequently 'limited' to £2,500 for two years – particularly when shareholders received £42.7 billion between 2010-2020 and profits have increased significantly.

We note that:

- food prices have risen by 10.5%
- rents are at their highest rate ever
- real wages are forecast to shrink
- food banks are reporting increased demand

Conference recognises that strikes are a symptom of the crisis – not the cause. We pledge our full support to union campaigns to protect terms and living standards – including industrial action. We welcome the support of members – including MPs – for picket lines and will encourage CLPs to support Labour Unions’ call to strengthen links with affiliated unions.

We also welcome:

- the TUC's programme to address falling living standards – including a £15ph minimum wage and raising Universal Credit and legacy benefits to 80% of the National Living Wage
- The support of 500,000 people for “Enough is Enough” and agree to back its calls for a National Day of Protest on 1 October and a mass lobby of MPs on 19 October.
- Labour's calls to freeze energy bills; cut VAT on bills; and to invest to insulate homes
- Labour Councils using their resources to support residents

Conference recognises we need to go beyond subsidising private companies. We should build on the public's overwhelming support to re-nationalise energy and reshape it around public needs.

Leyton and Wanstead CLP

Conference notes: Energy bills are rising to over - £3,000 per year, leaving 9.2 million households unable to heat their homes.

Energy companies have handed out almost - £200 billion to shareholders since 2010. Privatised National Grid has a monopoly on gas transmission across the UK mainland and electricity transmission in England. The crisis highlights the need for radical measures to defend and improve living standards and exposes how our energy system is organised.

2021 and 2019 Conferences voted for 'public ownership of energy including energy companies, creating an integrated, democratic system', and 'public ownership of energy, creating an integrated democratic system; public ownership of the Big Six'.

2022 TUC policy calling for the public ownership of energy.

Conference believes: Public ownership and democratic control of the energy industry are necessary to tackle the climate crisis, and for social and ecological reasons. Our energy system should work for all, not a handful of shareholders.

The Leadership should immediately advocate for this as part of a socialist Green New Deal.

Labour will campaign for and implement:

Full public ownership of the energy industry, including the National Grid

Regional distribution, on the lines of the 2021 and 2019 Conferences' policies so it works for people and planet, not private profit.

A windfall tax on oil and gas companies like Shell and BP at a 56% rate (on top of corporation tax), using revenue generated to expand publicly owned renewables, and cease subsidising energy supply companies.

Penistone and Stocksbridge CLP

Conference notes:

The UK is facing an economic crisis of a magnitude not experienced for decades. Households receive an energy price cap and this is set to increase domestic bills by up to 80%, while energy generators are set to make excessive windfall profits.

SMEs do not benefit from a price cap so this increase will be significantly more than households experience, with many facing energy price rises of many hundreds of percent. These soaring energy costs are in addition to a skills shortage, increasing costs of materials, plus the general cost of living increase.

SMEs include a diverse range of businesses from butchers, pubs, cafes, restaurants, retailers, care homes, children's nurseries, health care facilities, professional services and more. High energy users such as pubs, cafes and restaurants are likely to be worst affected. SMEs also include charities, which are already suffering due to the current economic crisis and may be left unable to support our vulnerable communities.

16 million people, some 60% of the workforce, work in SMEs and research by the Federation of Small Businesses suggests 15% of all SMEs will have to either close or downsize as a result of soaring energy bills.

Conference calls on the Party leadership to:

Extend its successful energy price freeze policy to also cover SMEs.

Putney CLP

Conference resolves that, at both national and local levels of government, Labour is wholeheartedly committed to ensuring safe and secure communities through developing policies which create a green and digital future. The next Labour Government will implement green and sustainable energy policies which reduce our dependence on oil and gas such as encouraging wind farms and tidal power stations, promoting effective home insulation and establishing an effective system of public transport by bringing back railways into public ownership and reversing Tory cuts to bus services.

West Worcestershire CLP

Conference recognises that the undervaluing of women's work is historic, structural, and will be enduring if Labour in government does not act.

Conference further recognises that low pay is an intersectional issue and fighting for equal and decent pay must be at the heart of Labour's agenda.

Conference notes that:

1. Progress in eliminating the gender pay gap is slow and the full-time pay gap rose in 2021;
2. Women are still paid 41 per cent less on average over a lifetime and women are systematically underpaid in care and other sectors;
3. Three quarters of the workers at highest risk of exposure to COVID-19 are women;
4. New Zealand's Equal Pay Amendment Act 2020 allows for cross-employer comparators, which enables women workers to more effectively achieve equal pay for work of equal value and challenge systematic discrimination.

Conference expresses its alarm that equal pay remains unfinished business in too many workplaces, from Asda to local government; condemns employers' attempts to deny women fair pay; and resolves to support GMB's Birmingham City Council equal pay campaign to put right the historic and structural failure to pay women what they are worth.

Conference therefore resolves that Labour in power must:

- a. Allow cross-employer comparators in equal pay cases;
- b. Urgently prioritise its commitment to establish a Fair Pay Agreement in social care in light of Conference 2021's vote for at least £15 an hour;
- c. Meet the moral, political and legal obligation to settle outstanding equal pay injustices.

GMB

EQUALITIES

Conference believes the Conservative Government has deepened income and wealth inequality, and systemic inequalities experienced by women, Black and Asian, disabled and LGBT+ people, who have been disproportionately negatively impacted by Tory policies.

Conference resolves that advancing and achieving equality must be at the heart of all Labour's policies, actions and demands.

We must build on past achievements: the Equal Pay Act, Race Relations Act, first steps towards LGBT+ and disabled people's equality, the Equality Act, National Minimum Wage, maternity and family rights, action on gangmasters and much more.

Now we must make new policies for the next Labour government, strengthen and prioritise those already made, including;

- Learning lessons from the pandemic, with Equality Impact Assessments of all employer and Government policies to promote equality;

- Fully implementing the Equality Act, including the socio-economic equality duty on class and tackling dual discrimination, such as that faced by Black and Asian women;
- The Employment Rights Green Paper commitments on Fair Pay Agreements, sectoral collective bargaining, stronger maternity and caring rights at work, with effective childcare support and employers obliged to prevent all forms of harassment;
- Statutory rights for union equality reps;
- Restoring the rights of migrant domestic workers;
- A new Race Equality Act including actions to close the race pay gap;
- Strengthening equal pay and pension rights for women, and action on disability and LGBT+ pay gaps;
- Implementing ILO Violence and Harassment Convention and Unite's 'Get me home safely Campaign'

Unite

Conference notes the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD) was agreed in 2006 and ratified by the UK Government in 2009 but has never been fully passed into UK law.

The UN noted in 2017 that several of the measures taken by the UK Government in enacting austerity 'disproportionately and adversely affected the rights of persons with disabilities'.

Austerity had huge detrimental effect on people with disabilities, impacting their living standards, the right to live independently and be included in the community, rights relating to work and employment.

Conference believes that the UK should be a leader in human rights for all, including the disabled, but austerity disproportionately impacted those with a disability. Further, we believe that only an appropriately funded welfare system based on dignity and respect can protect the rights of disabled people.

The next Labour Government will:

Reaffirm its commitment to fully implementing UNCRPD

Commit to appropriately funding disabled benefits, housing, education and the care system, to underpin the dignity and living standards of disabled people and their rights under UNCRPD

Protect their right to assets

Ensure all benefit and work assessments maintain the dignity of those undergoing them

Commit to uphold the right of disabled children to an inclusive education on an equal basis to non-disabled people

Meaningfully involve disabled people in decisions about them

Ensure access to justice by funding legal advice for disabled people seeking redress and reparation for alleged violation of their rights

Stevenage CLP

HEALTH

12 years of Conservative underfunding, neglect and mismanagement have left our NHS with waiting lists at the highest on record and the lowest level of patient satisfaction since 1997.

Under the Conservatives, patients are paying more but getting less from the NHS. Instead of bringing waiting lists down the Government is watering down targets and standards for patient care.

Those needing mental health support have been particularly let down. A quarter of mental health beds have been cut, over a third of children were turned away from mental health services last year alone, and right now 1.6 million people are waiting for mental health treatment.

Conference further notes:

Labour created the NHS and should be its primary defender, rejecting any plan to increase privatisation in the healthcare system.

The last Labour Government brought waiting times down from 18 months to 18 weeks, and delivered the highest patient satisfaction levels ever.

Conference resolves:

The Labour Party will build and maintain an NHS fit for the future by providing the staff, equipment, and modern technology needed to treat patients on time.

Guarantee mental health treatment within a month for all who need it, and place specialist mental health support in every school.

Bassetlaw CLP, St Helens North CLP

Conference reaffirms Labour's unequivocal commitment to a publicly funded, publicly provided, publicly accountable and comprehensive National Health Service. There must

be direct employment of NHS workers, ending the use of outsourcing, private providers and public-private partnerships within the NHS. Conference celebrates the socialist achievements of the Welsh government in publicly providing and funding a public Welsh NHS.

Conference reaffirms that:

Health services are of better quality, more equitable and cost-effective when nationally planned and provided by democratically-accountable, public authorities with local expertise.

Private providers and their lobbyists should never be involved in decision-making about public healthcare. Ending outsourcing, and stopping the closure, fragmentation and downgrading of services, better enables our friends and allies in the union movement to secure fair pay and conditions for their members, whose work during the pandemic saved tens of thousands of lives.

The imposition of US-style structures such as Integrated Care Systems (ICSs) shows how corporate involvement in policymaking leads to state capture and private profits at the expense of patient care and workers' pay. The ICSs, rather than integrate, obstruct high quality social care alongside the NHS.

Conference therefore resolves:

To repeal the Health and Care Act 2022 and to reverse ICSs, which are destructive of a national publicly provided, comprehensive, fully funded healthcare service.

To establish a publicly funded and provided National Care Service with care and support for independent living for all who need it

Brentford and Isleworth CLP, Socialist Health Association

This CLP notes that:

In the UK we are short of 40,000 nurses, 10,000 doctors, and 100,000 care workers, as well as teachers and social workers. This follows 10 years of austerity, exacerbated by Brexit[4] and the Covid-19 pandemic,

Long waiting times have already led to violence towards staff[5] and service user deaths.

This CLP believes that:

A robust public sector is key to our recovery from both the pandemic and economic downturn,

Our public services are in crisis, but facing increasing demand due to an aging population and the impact of chronic socio-economic stress,

Below-inflation pay rises have left public sector workers frustrated and feeling that industrial action or leaving the profession are their only options,[7]

The government's plans to increase recruitment from the Commonwealth and Asia, and medical and nursing student intakes, are wholly inadequate,

Having a policy that addresses these concerns is a priority and will show that a Labour government is needed.

We therefore urge the Shadow Chancellor, and Shadow Home, Education, and Health and Social Care Secretaries to co-produce a comprehensive Public Sector Workforce Strategy that:

Addresses long-term funding, recruitment and retention,

Guarantees fair wages and working conditions, and frees up frontline staff from excessive administrative duties,

Facilitates immigration for work for skilled workers from Europe and the rest of the world,

Recognises the equivalence of international qualifications, Increases training capacity in UK higher education institutions.

Ealing Central and Acton CLP

Driffield & Rural Branch Labour Party / East Yorkshire CLP strongly refutes neo-liberal claims that so long as treatment is free at the point of use it does not matter if it is provided by the private sector; such an approach corrodes public health. It calls on the Labour Party to explicitly campaign for public provision free at the point of use.

East Yorkshire CLP

Conference Notes:

1. that the Conservative Government is seeking to destroy the National Health Service by making it available for purchase by private healthcare corporations;
2. the personal experiences of many Labour Party members and supporters currently living in countries with Healthcare for Profit Systems, most notably the U.S.A., which warn of the dangers of privatised healthcare systems.

We call on the Labour Party to:

1. adopt a position of unequivocal support for the National Health Service and a position of outright opposition to any and all forms of privatization of the NHS;
2. commit to vote against any and all forms of privatization of the NHS;
3. commit to returning all privatized portions of the NHS to public control immediately upon forming a Government;
4. not accept donations from companies interested in outsourcing NHS functions;
5. immediately launch a public campaign against privatization of the NHS and actively and vigorously support any current campaigns, including but not limited to, those being conducted by Keep our NHS Public, We Own It and similar activist groups;

6. publicly support all NHS Trade Unions campaigning to return to and retain all public control of the NHS, including, but not limited to, any legal industrial action.
7. commit to repealing the Health and Care Act 2022 immediately upon taking office.

Labour International

There is a crisis in which GPs work under extreme pressure, beyond contracted hours. Numbers entering training will not sustain the workforce. GP numbers fall every year, down almost 1,500 in England since 2015's pledged increase.

The UK has fewer doctors and nurses /1000 people than other OECD countries. With consultations at record highs, most GPs think the system is sometimes unsafe. 70% perceive risks increasing. Government admits promised targets won't be met.

To reverse this deterioration Doctors in UNITE advocates radical change, raising morale, retaining GPs and attracting recruits. This requires a party in government committed to transformational change, re-instating the NHS as a public service, ending commercialisation and fragmentation, and abandoning public sector cuts.

Conference supports the following developments for General Practice:

General practice rooted in communities, within Neighbourhood Health Committees (25 - 75k population)

Practices covering 10k patients

A wide primary care team; good primary care needs a range of skilled workers in addition to (not substituting for) GPs.

Public Health neighbourhood leads, working and qualified in both primary care and public health.

Community Development workers empowering communities to collectively address health determinants.

Attractive salaried GP contractual options that GPs will positively choose.

Improved working conditions, career progression, finite working days, list sizes below 1200, and expanded primary care teams.

Access proportionate to need, reversing the current position.

Comprehensively improved public health

High quality, well maintained IT systems (addressing digital exclusion) and premises.

Triage facilitating (not obstructing) timely appropriate access.

Protecting, supporting and incentivising continuity of care

Lewisham Deptford CLP

Our healthcare system has been subjected to years of Conservative cuts. This has made it harder for people to access the healthcare they need. Only a Labour Government can deliver a world-beating National Health Service that puts people at the heart of its care.

To do this we must prioritise:

- Mental health services - there needs to be a robust mental health service within our NHS to be able to provide support for all. LGBT+ people are at a higher risk of developing serious but preventable mental health issues. Services should also be properly equipped to support LGBT+ individuals needing help, including trans and non-binary individuals who need to seek support whilst on wait lists for gender identity services.
- Reducing wait times for trans and non-binary people who are on long waiting lists for gender identity services. The long wait lists cause unnecessary distress and harm to individuals.
- Ending new cases of HIV by 2030. HIV disproportionately impacts gay and bisexual men, trans people, and Black African communities – only an opt-out approach to testing in the NHS and the scaling up of at-home testing will mean HIV diagnoses in the UK become a thing of the past.
- Delivering an effective response to contain Monkeypox. Ensuring a properly coordinated and funded vaccination plan is in place, which also tackles breaking down stigma attached to ensure those who need it come forward for the vaccine.

LGBT Labour

Conference reaffirms Labour's unequivocal commitment to public provision of public services through direct employment of NHS workers, and ending the use of outsourcing, private providers and public-private partnerships within the NHS.

In particular, Conference reaffirms that:

Health services are of better quality and more equitable when delivered by democratically-accountable public authorities.

Ending outsourcing better enables our friends and allies in the union movement to secure fair pay and conditions for their members, whose work during the pandemic saved tens of thousands of lives.

Decisions about healthcare should always be made by democratically-accountable bodies. Private providers and their lobbyists should never be involved in decision-making about public healthcare, because such involvement inevitably leads to state capture and private profits at the expense of patient care and workers' pay.

Conference celebrates the achievements of the Welsh government in delivering a publicly-provided, publicly-funded, socialist NHS.

Conference therefore resolves

To repeal the Health and Care Act 2022 and to reverse and eliminate all aspects of private care companies.

To fully renationalise and restore England's universal, comprehensive, publicly provided national health service.

Mid Sussex CLP

Conference reaffirms Labour's unequivocal commitment to a publicly funded, publicly provided, publicly accountable and comprehensive National Health Service. There must be direct employment of NHS workers, ending the use of outsourcing, private providers and public-private partnerships within the NHS. Conference celebrates the socialist achievements of the Welsh government in publicly providing and funding a public Welsh NHS.

Conference reaffirms that:

Health services are of better quality, more equitable and cost-effective when nationally planned and provided by democratically-accountable, public authorities with local expertise.

Private providers and their lobbyists should never be involved in decision-making about public healthcare.

Ending outsourcing, and stopping the closure, fragmentation and downgrading of services, better enables our friends and allies in the union movement to secure fair pay and conditions for their members, whose work during the pandemic saved tens of thousands of lives.

The imposition of NHS re-structures such as ICSs, imposed by revolving door figures including Simon Stevens of UnitedHealth and Samantha Jones -later of Centene- shows how corporate involvement in policymaking leads to state capture and private profits at the expense of patient care and workers' pay. The ICSs, rather than integrate, obstruct high quality social care alongside the NHS.

Conference therefore resolves

To repeal the Health and Care Act 2022 and to reverse integrated care systems, which are destructive of a national publicly provided, comprehensive, fully funded healthcare service.

To establish a publicly funded and provided National Care Service with care and support for independent living for all who need it

Newcastle Upon Tyne North CLP

Conference notes that:

Twelve years of Conservative neglect have left our NHS with the highest ever waiting lists. Cuts in local authority funding have reduced support to social care, thereby worsening the NHS beds crisis and doing nothing about improving life for an ageing population. Training for clinical staff has been in decline. We need radical intervention from government, not neglect, at a time when inflation and energy costs will put further strain on public services. This means increasing funding, not moving money from one pot to another or relying on efficiency savings.

The Conservatives are opening doors for privatisation by running down services. This risks adding to everyone's regular bills if private companies replace the NHS. We know that this happened, for example, with gas, electricity, water and railways.

The last Labour Government brought hospital admission waiting times down from 18 months to 18 weeks and delivered improvements in mental health and social care provision for children and adults.

Conference resolves that:

A Labour government will build an integrated health and social care service by providing the resources needed to treat patients on time and to guarantee high quality social care. We will guarantee mental health treatment within a month for all who need it, and provide speedy access to mental health support for every school and every child.

Labour should reject further NHS privatisation, except where it can be shown to improve outcomes in, for example, highly specialised care or pharmaceutical or clinical research

Rossendale and Darwen CLP

This CLP notes that:

- The COVID pandemic was regarded as a once in 100 years event.
- Exercise Cygnus showed that the UK is ill-prepared for pandemics and the country could possibly face 200-400,000 excessive deaths due to insufficient medical facilities (such as ventilators) alone.
- Scientists for Labour have supported calls for pandemic planning.
- This CLP believes that:
- The government has stripped away all regulations against pandemics.
- A pandemic may happen in a much shorter timescale, particularly due to climate change and its planetary effects, which have already led to the postulation that past diseases may resurface again; and disturbance to animal populations which leads to animals coming in more frequent human-animal contact, leading to further disease.

- The government is less prepared than it was in 2010 and pandemic preparedness still deteriorates.
- Government investments in pandemic prevention, preparedness and response is likely to be excellent value for money by preventing lockdowns and recessions.

This CLP therefore resolves to:

- Ensure a Labour government (and economy) are fit to handle another pandemic with proper preparations and regulations.
- Ensure Labour invests in research that focuses on epidemiology, biomedical sciences and research in other STEM fields, bracing for all forms of a pandemic.
- Ensure the NHS has resources comparable to other states (Germany already has preparations for pandemics -“ 31.8 beds per 100 people, whilst the UK has 7.5).
- Find appropriate methods for increasing funding without detrimentally affecting the economy and population.

Scientists For Labour

This CLP believes:

- Health services, and GPs time, are stretched too thinly due to a decade of cuts.
- Those who are BAME, Women, young, trans and/or have a history of mental health conditions, are disproportionately more likely to be dismissed by health professionals.
- Examples where health advocacy is required:
 - Those with mental health conditions often have their other health concerns quashed.
 - Endometriosis; takes an average 10 years to diagnose and many doctors visits before it is taken seriously.
 - Menopause care; patients often feel more informed than their doctors and have to convince them to receive proper care.
 - Black people are three times as likely to suffer complications during pregnancy.

This CLP calls for:

- Health advocates available upon request at all GP surgeries to reduce waiting times, 'passing around' of patients and increase diagnostic quality for those who do not feel educated or confident enough to advocate for themselves. This could reduce the severity and longevity of some health

conditions and improve overall quality of life for those who do not feel confident enough to advocate for themselves.

- Universally available Doulas, free of charge, who offer pregnancy and labour support for patients. They have been shown to reduce the length of labour, decrease the need for caesareans and decrease the need for strong painkillers. Consequently, improving birth outcomes.
- Appropriate training available for potential Doulas and Health Advocates and a formal regulatory body to oversee them.

Selby and Ainsty CLP

Halt the move towards increased privatisation of the NHS as part of the evolving Integrated Care System.

The outsourcing of services to for-profit companies, consistently increased (after 2012), Lancet 2022, reported in the Guardian, July 2022. 'Private sector outsourcing corresponded with significantly increased rates of mortality potentially as a result of the decline in the quality of healthcare service.'

This branch and CLP therefore resolves to support the continuation of the NHS governed by values of patient care and driven to improve the quality of care, by:

- Stopping the use of the NHS brand to promote products from third party vendors.
- Stopping the out sourcing of NHS services to private health care companies, commercially driven and which drain much needed resources from the NHS.
- Address waiting times for GP appointments by actively encouraging GPs to remain past the age of retirement, addressing in the immediate term, the shortage of GPs within Primary Care leading to difficulties in patients accessing GP appointments.
- Make poverty a defining characteristic of health inequality.
- Make it illegal for directors of private companies to sit on Integrated Care Boards.
- Realize the potential of Integrated Care System through local delivery that extends the range of treatments options available and sourced from within the NHS.

That such a resolution is adopted as part of Labour Party Policy and the party manifesto going forward and supports leveling up across the U.K by addressing health inequalities and offering a wide range of appropriate treatments that can be accessed by all.

Sheffield Brightside and Hillsborough CLP

Most initial contact with the NHS is with GPs. This vital service is the first step in diagnosing and treating most health conditions.

This pandemic has shown more than ever that GP services are essential to a properly functioning society and economy, yet practices are in crisis. NHS England and BMA call for 20,000 more staff to work in primary care excluding GPs. GPs are leaving, stressed, threatened. People cannot get an appointment to see a GP and spend hours trying to talk to medical professionals. Conference notes that 12 years of Tory Government have failed our GP services.

Conference believes it's time to support GPs so that everyone can access care when needed and staff are developed and valued.

Our ambition for GP services should be as high as Bevan's formation of the NHS and cost should not be a barrier to high quality care.

We call on the Party to set out a vision, codesigned by the frontbench, relevant affiliated unions, Labour councillors, and other stakeholders, that:

- Guarantees an appointment for all citizens.
- Allows medical professionals to use a variety of appointment types (e.g. virtual or in-person) based on medical need.
- Improves pay, terms, and conditions to recruit and retain those who work in GP services.
- Recruit 6000 more full time equivalent GP posts
- Recruit a further 20,000 full time equivalent staff to work in primary care.
- Support universities to provide more places for General Practice, Nurse Practitioners, and other staff roles where a shortage exists.

Tewkesbury CLP

This Party Notes:

1. Mental illness is the second largest source of burden of disease in England.
2. Six in ten (59%) UK adults say that the cost of living crisis has had a negative impact on their mental health, such as leaving them feeling anxious, depressed or hopeless.

This Party Believes:

The mental health of our population is inextricably linked to wider socio-economic issues. These issues must be addressed to help resolve and reduce a potential mental health pandemic. Our mental health policy needs to go further and not just be an acute reaction to current mental health discrepancies. It needs to be preventative and reflect the interconnected nature between mental health and socio-economic characteristics of our society.

This Party Resolves:

That a national wellbeing strategy is introduced as Labour policy. This would be a new approach for government in which mental health prevention is embedded within wider aims to improve the standards of our society and economy. The strategy would acknowledge and elevate the importance of good mental health and link mental health to other policy areas. This strategy will follow a multi-disciplinary approach thereby preventing the reduction and siloing of mental health to an acute problem that can be resolved simply by increased hospital staff and funding. Good mental health runs through all aspects of life and can only be tackled as a thoughtful and embedded part of a wider tackling of living standards.

Weaver Vale CLP

HILLSBOROUGH: THE REAL TRUTH LEGACY PROJECT

Conference commends survivors and the families of the ninety-seven fans who lost their lives as a result of the Hillsborough disaster for their three-decade campaign for justice.

Conference further notes that the impact of the campaign of lies, smears and propaganda orchestrated by South Yorkshire Police in 1989 and promoted by willing politicians and media continues to this day, with far too many members of the public even now parroting discredited lies about the behaviour of Liverpool fans in attendance at Hillsborough on 15 April 1989.

Conference therefore undertakes to support the 'Real Truth Legacy Project' led by Ian Byrne in conjunction with many Hillsborough families and survivors. This is a campaign which seeks to ensure that current and future generations learn the truth about Hillsborough, and to ensure that schoolchildren nationally have access to a definitive account of the disaster and the subsequent cover-up.

The events around the Champions League Final in Paris show how the French authorities and UEFA sought once again to use the 'Hillsborough' playbook and blame supporters for their failings show the relevance of this education to our class.

Conference hereby instructs that the next Labour Government include the Hillsborough cover-up in the National Curriculum.

For the sake of past and future generations, education is the key to learn more about the disaster, the cover-up by the establishment and the fight for justice

We urge conference to add their support to the Real Truth Legacy Project.

Liverpool Walton CLP

This Conference congratulates all Councils across Liverpool City Region for supporting the Hillsborough Real Truth Legacy Project and undertaking to have a dedicated 'Hillsborough Day' in schools across the city region each year.

To mark the anniversary of the Hillsborough Disaster, schools will deliver dedicated sessions covering what happened on April 15th, 1989, as well as the subsequent cover-up and the continued fight for truth and justice.

This Conference believes that future generations from across the country should grow up knowing about and being inspired by the work of Hillsborough survivors, families and campaigners in their search for justice over the past 33 years.

With this in mind, this Conference calls on a future Labour Government to adopt the Hillsborough Truth Legacy Project into the national curriculum.

Wallasey CLP

HOUSING

The Chartered Institute of Housing 's 2022 UK Housing Review states, 'the Right to Buy has become a strategic failure in England and, unless reconsidered, the policy will continue contributing to social disadvantage and exacerbating inequalities.' In response to Boris Johnson's proposal to extend Right to Buy they say, 'We are at a point of crisis in this country, with over 1.1 million households on waiting lists for social housing. We need more, not less, affordable social homes.'

Conference agrees the housing crisis will not be resolved by failed strategies that deliver nothing for millions in unhealthy and overcrowded housing and sub-standard temporary accommodation, and those at risk of homelessness. The Labour Party must challenge the government's failure, and urgently demand a long term housing strategy backed by appropriate levels of government funding which must include:

Fully funding 150,000 social rent homes a year, including at least 100,000 council homes with secure tenancies;

Fully funding the retrofitting of all council housing to address fuel poverty, the climate crisis and to improve the quality of existing homes;

Investment in Direct Labour Organisations to create well paid, unionised jobs and apprenticeships to deliver this;

Reviewing council housing debt to address the under-funding of housing revenue accounts;

Giving power to councils to license and tax holiday homes and AirBnBs.

Labour will demand that the government implements these policies as a matter of urgency and commits to implementing them when elected.

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Bournemouth West CLP, Brighton, Pavilion CLP, Guildford CLP, Horsham CLP,
Islington South and Finsbury CLP, Leicester West CLP, Liverpool Riverside CLP,
Manchester Withington CLP, Mid Norfolk CLP, South East Cornwall CLP,
Wycombe CLP**

Raising Housing Benefit and Ending Homelessness

The Housing First approach reverses the usual culture by giving homeless people somewhere suitable to live without any preconditions and then person-centred, multi-agency support for those with complex needs. Rapid re-housing schemes help those with a straightforward housing need.

Finland's nationwide Housing First policy sees 80% of homeless people rehomed. Housing First pilot schemes in England are successful and life changing. Scotland is rolling out Housing First nationally.

This conference believes:

Everyone has the right to a decent, secure home and society has a duty to enact this right, enshrining it in law.

It is more cost effective to prevent street homelessness and hidden homelessness than to accept it.

Homelessness causes harm not just to the people it directly affects but to businesses, the public and Local Authorities too.

With a properly funded and supported nationwide Housing First approach, complemented by rapid rehousing, we can and must end homelessness.

Conference resolves that the next UK Labour Government will:

Establish Housing First and rapid re-housing policies uniformly across the whole of England, centrally funded, such that no extra financial burden is placed on Local Authorities.

Build the necessary social housing.

Stop the sale of social housing

Decriminalise being street homeless.

Follow the Welsh Labour Government's lead in restricting rents to the Local Housing Allowance where necessary to prevent homelessness.

Re-link the Local Housing Allowance, i.e. Housing Benefit, with the real cost of renting.

Make housing a statutory right.

Brecon and Radnorshire CLP

The high cost of housing has been exacerbated by government failure to ensure that supply keeps up with demand.

The problem is felt most acutely by young people but also those trying to move up or down the chain.

Recently many homes which could have been purchased by owner occupiers have been snapped up for buy-to-let and as speculative investments, frustrating people's desire to live near friends, family or work.

Developments, particularly of apartments that should be accessible as starter homes in conurbations, are targeted by buy-to-let investors. Mortgage providers refuse to give mortgages to potential owner-occupiers where a significant proportion of buyers are intending to rent the properties, further reducing availability of homes to people who could purchase.

We propose that any UK domicile should be exempt from 'Stamp Duty' when purchasing their prime residence and that higher scaled duty be introduced for all non-primary residence purchases at a rising rate based on numbers already owned. Non-domiciles should not be exempt on primary purchase.

Funds raised from duties should be ring-fenced to support building of social and affordable housing for local authorities in public/private joint venture projects.

Benefits include the ability to move up the chain without the burden of duties reducing the cost of purchases, liberating first time buyer availability, assist people wishing to downsize presently hesitant to do so due to the burden of those duties.

The ring-fenced resource would assist in the necessary house building so desperately needed while maintaining a fairer system of taxation.

Bromsgrove CLP

In response to this Tory government's proposal to extent Right to Buy, the Chartered Institute of Housing said: 'We are at a point of crisis in this country'! We need more, not less, affordable social homes.

The Labour Party will challenge this Tory failure and urgently demand a long-term housing strategy backed by any necessary government funding, with realistic timetables attached, to include at the very least:

1. Increasing the number of affordable council homes and by fully funding Local Authorities to purchase the necessary land and materials to build homes upon it.
2. Fully-funded retrofitting "with deliverable roadmap" of all council-owned stock to reduce the nation's carbon footprint and reduce fuel poverty for council tenants by the end of the next Parliament.
3. Urgently review, with a credible timeline, the Right to Buy scheme, including whether the discount remains appropriate.
4. Local Authorities keep all the receipts from the sale of council-owned properties and these funds must then be ringfenced within the Local Authority for the purchase of new council properties, to enable the one-to-one like-for-like replacement of any that are sold.
5. The quantity of council-owned housing stock in any local authority must stay the same, or increase.

Labour demands that this Tory government urgently implements these policies. The Labour Party commits to implementing these policies by including them in its next Manifesto, so that when we have a Labour government there is a clear way forward to begin to deal with the housing crisis in our country.

Gravesham CLP

Conference notes the Government's belated announcement in the Queen's Speech of its intention to abolish 'no fault' evictions of private renters.

Conference believes that the Government is not to be trusted and urges the front benches in both Houses to scrutinise very closely the Government's Bill and to move appropriate amendments, particularly on the subject of control of rents.

Conference believes that abolition of 'no fault' evictions will be ineffective unless accompanied by control of rents.

Conference believes that the Mayors of London and other cities should have power to cap rents by reference to the London Living Rent or similar schemes.

Conference therefore reaffirms the Party's commitments in the 2019 General Election Manifesto to

- protect private renters through rent controls, open-ended tenancies, and new, binding minimum standards
- stop runaway rents by capping them with inflation, and give cities powers to cap rents further
- give renters the security they need to make their rented housing a home, with new open-ended tenancies to stop unfair, 'no fault' evictions

Hammersmith CLP

Conference believes that Airbnb's are blighting seaside towns such as Hastings, reducing the stock of available housing, especially for young workers, and driving up rents.

It is not renting a room out in a house that is the problem, but when whole houses or flats are turned into Airbnb properties. This is because they are not subject to the same checks and requirements as full-time rentals.

Conference resolves to adopt a policy that would put whole-flat Airbnb on a different legal footing, allowing the council to cap the number in any given area, while also introducing an additional levy on these holiday lets, which will then be ring-fenced for a fund dedicated to tackling homelessness. There should also be some incentive for landlords to rent to key workers.

Conference recognises the need for more homes to be built, however, it is clear that house building - as a result of land banking and other government policies - is not keeping pace with demand. Young people and families need homes NOW.

The government has repeatedly put off launching a promised review into short lets: it is simply not their priority. But as a Party it should be ours.

Hastings and Rye CLP

Labour's plan for solving the housing crisis must be well-publicised and will consider that:

Long-term, sustainable programmes of housebuilding and renovation are the key to avoiding homelessness, fuel poverty and poor health, providing homes that are built to high standards and that are genuinely affordable.

Building sustainable council homes should be the priority, essential to support the implementation of the human right to housing.

Only a Labour Government will co-ordinate all the agencies of government effectively and economically, bringing together training for construction staff in new Green Jobs and reliable supplies of good quality materials.

Reducing carbon emissions from homes is a core part of reaching Net Zero.

Conference resolves that a future Labour Government will:

Build sustainable council homes at scale, with access to sufficient, reasonably-priced land for councils to build new homes, under an accountable and responsive planning regime

Reform the private rented sector and leasehold tenure

Reduce the bureaucratic burden of planning decision-making on local authorities, prioritising positive plan-making and streamlined decision-making.

Secure reliable supplies of energy through industrial policy and investment in renewable energy infrastructure and distribution networks.

Invest in a programme of energy efficiency works across all tenures, with local authorities at the heart of delivery

Introduce legislation to ensure housing becomes a human right

Introduce regulation for management and maintenance standards in social housing

Support all residents living in buildings requiring fire safety works so that they are not left with unaffordable costs through no fault of their own, and ensure works are completed.

Labour Housing Group, Oldham East and Saddleworth CLP

Conference notes that the Conservative approach to housing harms the health and wellbeing of millions of people and fails to address the needs of those who need housing most.

Conference believes that :-

- Sustainable programmes of house building and renovation are the key to avoiding homelessness, fuel poverty and poor health.
- Building sustainable council homes should be the priority, essential to support the implementation of the human right to housing.
- Only a Labour Government will co-ordinate all the agencies of government effectively and economically, bringing together training in new Green Jobs and reliable supplies of good quality materials.

Conference resolves that a future Labour Government will:

- Build sustainable quality council homes at scale under an accountable and responsive planning regime.
- End the 'Right to Buy' in all its forms and reform the regulation of the private rented sector and leasehold tenure.
- Support local authorities to deliver positive plan-making and streamlined decision-making.
- Update building regulations to support both energy efficiency and climate change adaption policies
- Invest in a programme of energy efficiency work across all tenures, with local authorities at the heart of delivery.
- Introduce legislation to ensure housing becomes a human right; placing residents at the heart of decision making about their homes and communities.
- Give powers to councils to license and tax holiday homes and AirBnBs.
- Support all residents living in buildings requiring fire safety works so that they are not left with unaffordable costs.

Lewisham East CLP

Conference recognises that Cornwall is a heartland of the Industrial Revolution, with a proud, extraordinary heritage failed by numerous Conservative governments, whose weak legislation has created record homelessness and housing poverty crises in Cornwall and the country this year.

Conference recognises a leading cause of record family evictions are rocketing numbers of second and holiday homes who dodge their tax bills.

Conference believes a crucial mechanism for re-igniting Cornwall's growth is devolution of powers to local government with local taxation invested in the economy, housing, environment and infrastructure.

Conference applauds and proposes the policies of the Labour Government of Wales in tackling the second/holiday homes crisis by:

1. Allowing Councils to put an additional Council Tax levy upon them to pay for social housing.
2. Scrapping the holiday let tax dodge, returning those taxes to the provision of Council Housing.
3. Combined licensing schemes and planning controls to keep our communities alive.

Conference further proposes;

1. The housing crisis nationally requires a substantial increase in provision of Council Homes, funded by circular local taxation plus additional powers for financing, building and compulsory purchase of sites.
2. That Councils challenge the housing and holiday homes crisis blighting our communities by extending powers to ensure 'Decent Home' standards, controlling rents and empowering long-term secure tenancies in private rentals.

Conference recognises that safe, secure, affordable housing our families can call home, create hope and economic growth within communities, as families protected from housing exploitation spend locally, rebuilding our country from our communities upwards.

North Cornwall CLP

Conference recognises that Cornwall is a part of the UK, with a strong sense of identity and a distinct and extraordinary history.

A heartland of the Industrial Revolution, it fell victim to the Thatcherite deindustrialisation that has left the UK with the worst level of regional inequality of any country in Europe and Cornwall as one of the poorest regions in Europe.

Conference believes that a crucial mechanism for reversing this toxic legacy is devolution of powers from central to local government, especially those concerning housing.

It applauds the policies of the Labour Government of Wales towards second and holiday homes and wants a Westminster Labour Government to build on that by:

Allowing Councils to put additional Council Tax levies upon them to pay for social housing.

Scrapping the holiday let tax dodge that allows their owners to evade paying Council Tax and Business Rates and redirecting that subsidy towards the provision of Council Housing.

Using licensing schemes and planning controls to prevent them further eroding communities.

Enabling Councils to challenge the housing crisis blighting our communities and harming our economy, by giving them the ability to control the rents for and enforce 'Decent Home' standards and longterm secure tenancies upon, private rented homes.

Acknowledging that housing need nationally, cannot be met without a very substantial increase in the provision of council homes and that for this to happen, councils need not just increased funding but additional powers, especially mechanisms for compulsory purchase of sites.

St Ives CLP

Conference believes:

The latest announcements from the Government of a return to the principles of the failed Right-to-buy initiatives of the 1980s which saw council housing which should have been available to those most in need sold off to private tenants for significantly less than their value is a mistake

Right-to-buy resulted in a decimation of housing owned and managed by local councils and has been a major factor in the current housing shortages which lead to prospective house buyers being unable to afford to buy their first home

That the proposed benefit mortgages, whereby benefit claimants will be able to secure mortgages based on benefit payments is a policy which will exacerbate the problems of lack of housing provision by councils

That it is likely to be a vehicle for transference of public money to banks and private sector whereby defaults on mortgages lead to foreclosures and the properties moving into bank ownership at reduced costs, fuelling their profits while exacerbating poverty and homelessness for those most in need

This Conference resolves:

To call upon the Party to subject the Government's proposals on right to buy and benefit mortgages to a high level of scrutiny

If those policies risk increasing poverty, further adding to housing shortages, and/or leading to the transferral of public funds to banks, private companies or wealthy individuals to vigorously oppose them at all levels including campaigning and active Parliamentary opposition'

Washington and Sunderland West CLP

HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

Labour must commit to strengthening democratic principles across the UK.

Conference believes:

- that since 2010, the democratic rights of the British people have been eroded by successive pieces of regressive legislation, affecting:

- the right to civil liberties and the right to protest
- the rights of asylum seekers and vulnerable people to protection
- the right to vote
- Tory Governments have introduced laws which have systematically placed barriers against democratic actions, previously deemed lawful without impediment.

Conference Resolves:

Establishing an Ethics and Integrity Commission to reform the ministerial code and operate independent of the sitting PM.

By reviewing the case for amendments to the Human Rights Act (1998) to address changes in civil liberties and employment rights, among other issues which have seen significant change following the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the European Union.

By amending or repealing those elements of other recent legislation, as cited above, which serve in effect to adversely affect civil liberties and increase social inequality.

By committing to policies which look to the future and prioritise future generations, investing in their formative years with investment in support for them and in learning about the rights and responsibilities of democratic citizenship.

The party should demonstrate and pursue the highest possible standards of behaviour in politics through modelling the transparency, accountability and integrity which lie at the heart of democracy, placing the voice of members and the CLP structure as the bedrock of the Party

Folkestone and Hythe CLP

Conference notes:

The Human Rights Act was introduced by the last Labour Government to help people better defend the rights they are guaranteed under the European Convention of Human Rights. A fundamental part of the Belfast/Good Friday Agreement without which the agreement will not operate.

The Human Rights Act has enabled the families of Hillsborough victims to seek justice, families to challenge Do Not Resuscitate Orders being placed on patients without consent, and victims of sexual violence to force the police to investigate crimes committed against them.

Conference believes:

The Conservative Government have relentlessly attacked the Human Rights Act because it is a successful legal instrument which empowers individuals and guarantee freedoms.

Conference resolves:

Labour will defend the Human Rights Act and Britain's continued membership of the European Convention on Human Rights.

Garston and Halewood CLP, Norwich North CLP, Harborough CLP

Rugby Constituency Labour Party embraces fairness and transparency as core values , it is felt important they are reflected in any proposed Motion to conference .
.Accordingly we urge Conference to make it Party Policy than the future Labour Government will, as a priority, repeal the new Bill of Rights- perhaps soon to be an Act- as it replaces the 1998 Human Rights Act. The Opposition Front Bench are rightly opposed to this xenophobic and restrictive Bill. The Tory Bill/Act is a savage dilution of the rights incorporated in the 1953 European Convention on Human Right to which this country and 45 others are signatories

Rugby CLP

IMMIGRATION AND ASYLUM

The government's inhumane immigration policy is illustrated by its treatment of Ukrainian and Afghan refugees, Windrush scandal victims, and everyone crossing the Channel; the Nationality and Borders Act's assault on the right to asylum; and the brutal Rwandan deportation scheme.

Attacks on migrants are attacks on the labour movement. Making migrant workers precarious diminishes our power to resist.

Conference applauds PCS trade unionists considering striking against dangerous maritime 'pushback' plans.

Labour must build solidarity and campaign for migrants' rights and an antiracist, internationalist alternative.

Labour will work in power, and campaign in opposition and at the grassroots, to:

- Repeal the Nationality and Borders Act and all anti-migrant legislation;
- Reject immigration systems based on numerical caps, minimum income/wealth requirements, or utility to employers;
- Guarantee safe, legal routes for asylum seekers, day-one rights to work, education and social security, and expand family reunion rights;
- Abolish 'no recourse to public funds', NHS access restrictions and all Hostile Environment policies;
- Replace Settled Status with an automatic Right to Stay;
- Introduce a simple process for all UK residents to gain permanent residency;
- Grant all UK residents equal voting rights;

- Close all detention centres; end all immigration raids, detention, and deportations, including racist 'double sentencing';
- Support workers refusing to implement deportations, Hostile Environment measures and pushbacks;
- Level up domestic workers' rights to equal other workers;
- Re-enter Europe's free movement area, and pursue free movement agreements with other countries, including in all future trade deals, with the goal of equal free movement for all.

Cardiff North CLP

Conference notes that the government's Rwanda policy is unworkable and unethical and discriminatory. Conference condemns the government for ramping up the rhetoric against people fleeing persecution and conflict who need support and sanctuary. Further condemns the introduction of repressive voter ID laws for elections which will lock millions out of our democracy.

Conference believes Labour should scrap the Rwanda policy and use the funding to resource the National Crime Agency to tackle dangerous Channel crossings including by cracking down on exploitative criminal gangs, speeding up asylum decisions, reforming resettlement schemes to better target those most at risk of exploitation, replacing the Dublin agreement and working internationally to address crises leading people to flee their homes.

Conference resolves that Labour will advocate for:

- A fair immigration system including dealing with immigration cases in a timely manner
- Reversing the effective criminalisation of the act of seeking asylum in the UK
- Guaranteeing safe and legal routes for asylum seekers
- The end of unfair detentions and deportations
- Reforming resettlement schemes
- Reviewing hostile environment legislation and No Recourse to Public Funds
- Reforming the Windrush Compensation Scheme so every victim can access the justice they deserve
- Reviewing asylum seekers' rights to work
- Restoring the 0.7% aid commitment
- Introducing automatic voter registration, transforming our democracy by achieving universal participation

Leicester East CLP

Conference Notes:

Recent proposals to fast-track deportations of Albanian migrants are the latest sign of a long-standing lack of compassion, anti-migrant, discriminatory and racist culture within the Home Office, also evidenced by expensive, immoral deportation flights to Rwanda, the hostile environment policy and despicable treatment of the Windrush generation.

Furthermore, the Home Office failure to set targets for processing asylum applications leaves many refugees waiting in limbo for years.

Conference Believes

While many failings can be ascribed to the Government's current policies, long-term delays and inability or unwillingness of staff to use the compassion and discretion allowed to them shows institutionalised failure.

The size and breadth of the Home Office's remit make reform of these failings challenging. A Labour Government should have confidence in departmental infrastructure to administer a fair and compassionate immigration system.

The best way to achieve reform of this culture is to remove immigration from its remit and to create an independent body responsible for administering immigration.

Conference Resolves

To commit to ensuring the immigration system is free from institutional discrimination, racism and incompetence so all applicants are treated fairly.

To adopt the creation of an independent body responsible for administering immigration policy as Labour Party policy.

To strive for a fair, compassionate assessment of immigration applications including due process, access to legal aid and fair timeframes.

To highlight the processing delays within the Home Office, their failure to meet their own service standards and the impact this has on applicants and their families.

Lewisham West and Penge CLP

The conference calls on the next Labour Government to strengthen protection against international parental child abduction, by creating treaties and agreements with all states for reciprocal enforcement and recognition of family court judgments in matters of parental responsibility.

This motion is prompted by the recent removal of protections as a result of the withdrawal from Brussels II bis (protective legislation).

The need for such legislation is because;

- Every year, more than 200 cases of international parent child abduction of British children take place.

- Abduction harms children and their families causing short-term and long-term psychological damage shattering relationship and lives.
- The protection provided under established international law (1980 Hague Convention) is notoriously weak, enabling national governments in some states to evade their responsibilities to police and resolve child abduction of British children, and in some cases regimes such as Poland publicly condone the abduction of dual national children.
- We need to emulate the Brussels II Regulation of a strong protection with zero tolerance of child abduction to improve the protection of British children.

Conference urges all CLPs, Labour MPs, Mayors, MSPs, MSs, AMs and Councillors assist in advocating for change, as in many instances this will be an issue for their constituents and communities.

Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner CLP

The Sevenoaks CLP believes that:

Refugees and asylum seekers are not the problem, the system is. The current asylum system is significantly flawed.

The CLP highlights that:

Governing bodies that deal with refugees can have Standard Operating Practices (SOPs) that can sometimes neglect the asylum seekers or refugees. Mental health amongst asylum seekers, approximately 1 in 10 of whom are children, is at an all-time low, as they have to be in temporary accommodation for sometimes weeks, being left in limbo. This does nothing for the mental health of the already often emotionally damaged individuals.

The CLP resolves to call upon the Labour Party to:

Point to the widespread failure of Tory policies involving migrants at every opportunity.

Campaign for asylum seekers and refugees alike to face a more empathetic system that does not leave them in hotels for weeks on end wondering if they're going to be granted asylum or not.

Campaign for the rights of asylum seekers and refugees, particularly their education, and to enable a system that is more beneficial to them and other British citizens e.g. work projects, and English lessons taught to those who can't read or write.

Campaign to establish fairer 'age determination' at the start of the asylum seeker's journey and not one just based on appearance. 'Age determination' must also not be used as a weapon against the asylum seekers.

Campaign to provide safe passage and proper vetting for those seeking asylum.

Sevenoaks CLP

Conference notes that the government's Rwanda policy is unworkable and unethical. Conference condemns the government for ramping up the rhetoric against people fleeing persecution and conflict who need support and sanctuary. Further condemns the introduction of repressive voter ID laws for elections which will lock millions out of our democracy.

Conference believes Labour should scrap the Rwanda policy and use the funding to resource the National Crime Agency to tackle dangerous Channel crossings including by cracking down on exploitative criminal gangs, speeding up asylum decisions, reforming resettlement schemes to better target those most at risk of exploitation, replacing the Dublin agreement and working internationally to address crises leading people to flee their homes.

Conference resolves that Labour will advocate for:

- A fair immigration system
- Reversing the effective criminalisation of the act of seeking asylum in the UK
- Guaranteeing safe and legal routes for asylum seekers
- The end of unfair detentions and deportations
- Reforming resettlement schemes
- Reviewing hostile environment legislation and No Recourse to Public Funds
- Reforming the Windrush Compensation Scheme so every victim can access the justice they deserve
- Reviewing asylum seekers' rights to work
- Restoring the 0.7% aid commitment
- Introducing automatic voter registration, transforming our democracy by achieving universal voter registration

Spelthorne CLP

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Conference believes:

The UK has a proud history as a global leader in international development.

These decisions put the ability to spend every pound of British aid effectively to tackle extreme poverty and the climate crisis at risk.

As a result of Conservative government decisions Britain is no longer looked to as a development superpower in the way it once was and is less able to take a leading role in international institutions as a result.

The merger of the FCO and DFID has left the two departments as less than the sum of their parts.

UK aid has increasingly shifted UK aid away from tackling poverty and the root causes of conflict and instability to short term businesses interests.

These decisions signal a retreat from the world stage which will directly impact the UK's influence on promotion of human rights and its soft power capabilities.

Conference resolves:

That the Labour Party should:

Seek to return to spending 0.7% of GNI on Official Development Assistance as soon as possible, and commit to restoring British development expertise in government.

Make the case for long-term development work to tackle the underlying causes of poverty and insecurity and to rebuild trust and mutual respect based on our shared values and common interests.

Support the continued retention of the Parliamentary Select Committee focused on International Development and the Independent Commission for Aid Impact to ensure accountability for development policy and ODA spending.

Ashfield CLP

Conference notes:

The merger of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) and the Department for International Development (DfID).

The cut to the aid budget, reducing from 0.7% of gross national income (GNI) to 0.5%, a cut of - £5bn.

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Birmingham, Edgbaston CLP

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Leeds West CLP

INVESTING IN INFRASTRUCTURE AND THE WORKFORCE

Conference notes that successive Tory governments have made promises about levelling up in the UK. Sadly, they've failed to honour these promises of investment that would help achieve a fairer, more prosperous Britain.

One of the most obvious betrayals has been the scrapping of key infrastructure projects. Parts of our country have suffered from decades of under investment in industries broken by privatisation and fragmentation. Rail is a prime example of this. Profit has consistently been prioritised and short-termism has led to an industry at risk of managed decline. This has led to the cancellation of the eastern leg of HS2 and huge parts of Northern Powerhouse Rail to name just two.

Modern infrastructure combined with a valued and skilled workforce in our key industries will help foster economic growth and an efficient economy. They're also vital in bridging the gaps in prosperity and opportunity between various parts of the country.

The Labour Party must pursue policies which accept borrowing to invest in essential industries, including both infrastructure and the workforce, is the sensible and economically prudent way forward, especially considering the need to cut carbon emissions.

Conference reaffirms the Party's commitment to a publicly owned railway and the delivery of infrastructure projects including the eastern leg of HS2, Northern Powerhouse Rail and a rolling programme of electrification. Conference also stands in solidarity with workers taking industrial action over the cost of living crisis, believes in fully staffed services that support communities and opposes cuts to staffing in essential industries.

ASLEF

Conference Notes:

1. Energy bills have skyrocketed alongside high inflation and stagnant wages.
2. Energy companies report huge profits while emissions rise.
3. Polling consistently shows overwhelming support for public ownership of key industries.

Conference Believes:

1. The profiteering private sector is a barrier to decarbonisation and tackling inequality.
2. Democratic public ownership is crucial to a socialist Green New Deal which eliminates emissions and brings down bills.
3. Public ownership is a sensible and pragmatic solution to the issues currently facing the country and those who continue to argue in favour of privatisation,

despite the overwhelming evidence of its failure, do so entirely for ideological reasons.

Conference Resolves to Support:

1. Introducing democratic public ownership models across the economy, led by national public ownership of key sectors, including:
 - a. Energy
 - b. Mail
 - c. Rail
 - d. Water

Barrow and Furness CLP

This conference gives its unequivocal support to all UK workers taking strike action for higher pay and in defence of their jobs, terms and conditions and notes support for the 170,000+ workers across the communications sector who have recently been on strike.

In the case of the Royal Mail dispute, conference notes the disturbing revelation surrounding a possible takeover of the company by a foreign private equity firm. Conference notes this is subject to a government investigation under the National Security and Investment Act, because Royal Mail is deemed to be a key part of the UK's infrastructure and this may present a threat to the Universal Service Obligation (USO).

Conference agrees that any so-called modernisation plans put forward by the company must not include a "levelling down" of workers pay, conditions and the services available to the public. Neither should Royal Mail be turned into just another a "gig economy" parcel courier, with bogus self-employment and a delivery franchise model.

Conference agrees Labour must immediately register their opposition to the takeover with the government, whilst also seeking assurances that as a result of any change to ownership the current USO is completely protected.

Conference recognises that the root cause of these threats lie in the continued privatisation and liberalisation of Royal Mail.

Therefore, conference reaffirms that the next Labour government will:

- Bring Royal Mail back into public ownership, reunite it with the Post Office and create a publicly-owned Post Bank.

CWU

Conference notes:

- We are in an energy crisis, and our water system is broken.
- The government has failed to take forward decisions on nuclear, despite the last Labour government removing the effective ban on nuclear and identifying sites for the building of nuclear power stations.
- Water companies are failing in their duty to provide clean water, and protect our environment, whilst making major profits

Conference believes:

- The cost-of-living crisis has been created by a decade long failure of energy policy and a failure to address energy independence.
- Government funding should be prioritised to support people with their energy bills.
- The Tories must learn from the experience of the Welsh government.

Conference resolves:

- To invest in renewables, including offshore wind, onshore wind, tidal, hydrogen, and ensure we strategically manage our reserves of gas which will have an ongoing role in the energy transition, even under net zero.
- That, as necessary, public ownership should be considered, and substantial regulatory reform, where it can support to reduce energy bills, increase resilience in the system, and support with decarbonisation, and provides value for money.
- The water companies must be stopped from continuing to desecrate our environment, and should face unlimited fines, criminal sanctions, and an end to their bonuses where they are failing.

Mansfield CLP

Conference agrees that the Tory privatisation of our railways has proved to be a disaster for the travelling public resulting in higher fares, poor services and the Train Operating Companies (many of whom are foreign owned) receiving huge payments for their shareholders subsidised by U.K. taxpayers.

Conference believes the railways need to be brought back into public ownership in England by the next Labour government. The responsibility for running the railway system in the major conurbations should pass to Metropolitan Mayors and Combined Authorities so that they can be run as part of an integrated transport system.

Solihull CLP

Conference recognises the importance of rail services, infrastructure and workforce to Britain's economy.

Conference notes the current rail dispute which has seen rail workers take industrial action at levels not seen in a generation in the face of threatened job losses, ticket office closures and falling pay. Many rail workers are going into a third or fourth year of a pay freeze, despite being hailed as vital key workers in the coronavirus pandemic and for stepping up to deliver exceptional services after Queen Elizabeth's death.

Conference further notes that a good way of showing solidarity with workers taking strike action is to visit them on picket lines.

Conference believes that investment in our rail network – in both infrastructure and people – is vital to meet our climate commitments, boost the economy, improve air quality and improve accessibility and connectivity. Conference believes that rail services should be run in the public interest under public ownership.

Conference resolves to support investment in rail infrastructure, services and staffing to ensure that passengers have affordable and accessible public transport services, and to the same end opposes proposed mass closure of ticket offices. Conference supports a negotiated settlement in the rail dispute and supports all Labour MPs attending picket lines until such an outcome is reached.

Transport Salaried Staffs Association

OCKENDEN REVIEW

Conference notes:

The Ockenden Review into maternity services at Shrewsbury and Telford Hospitals NHS Trust, released in May 2022, reviewed the care of 1,486 families, and a total of 1,592 clinical incidents, from 1973 to 2020.

12 cases of maternal death were considered by the Review, where none of the mothers had received care in line with best practice at the time.

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The Review found that there were significant staffing and training gaps within both the midwifery and medical workforce.

The Review includes examples of parents 'feeling their legitimate concerns being ignored', and of staff failing to escalate concerns.

The Review contained recommendations not only for the Trust concerned, but also for improving maternity services nationwide.

The Review supports the recommendations of the Health and Social Care Committee that the budget for maternity services should immediately be increased by - £200-350 million a year.

Conference resolves:

The Labour Party must publicly back the Ockenden Review's explicit calls for maternity services to be appropriately funded, in order that maternity services can be as safe as possible.

The Labour Party must commit to funding maternity services appropriately in order to always achieve safe staffing levels when it forms a UK national government.

Ludlow CLP

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The Review found there were significant staffing and training gaps throughout all the medical workforce. It supported recommendations of the Health and Social Care Committee to immediately increase the budget for maternity services by - £200-350 million a year. It contained recommendations for improving maternity services nationwide, not just in Shropshire.

Mothers' and babies' lives were put at risk due to an ideologically driven practice of wanting 'natural births' and low caesarean rates.

Conference resolves to:

Publicly back the Ockenden Review's calls for maternity services to be appropriately funded in order that maternity services can be as safe as possible.

Set up a NHS recruitment drive to ensure midwives secure fully funded NHS midwifery degrees which guarantee wards are competently staffed in the years to come.

Ensure all medical care depends on evidence based practice to prevent dangerous ideological driven outcomes.

North Shropshire CLP

PUBLIC PROCUREMENT

While recognising that the first duty of public bodies in relation to purchasing and investing is to get best value for the people they serve and the taxpayer, public bodies should be free to make ethical considerations in line with their ethos and the public good.

The Labour Party should support such considerations in relation to, for instance:

Investment in fossil fuels and industries undermining our commitment to tackling the Climate Emergency.

Investment in Tobacco companies and others which pose a threat to public health.

Investment in companies profiting from the export of arms particularly to repressive regimes.

Investment and purchasing from countries with appalling human rights records.

Investment in companies that evade tax.

We should respect the right of all democratically accountable public bodies to develop purchasing and investment strategies and policies with an ethical dimension.

The Labour party must take a strong stance against any legislation to limit the freedom of public bodies to make decisions about purchasing and investment on ethical grounds.

Calder Valley CLP

Conference notes that the government has decided not to pursue any criminal proceedings against P&O for its flagrant violation of employment law in summarily sacking almost 800 workers in March this year. P&O's actions, and the effective impunity granted them by the government's failure to prosecute the company, undermine the protections afforded all workers by employment law. This sets an appalling precedent which can only encourage the worst management behaviour in future. Such conduct needs to be met with exemplary sanctions.

In the interests of all workers, and to uphold respect for existing employment law, conference calls on the next Labour government to:

- cancel all public contracts with P&O and its parent company DP World.
- ban P&O and its parent company DP World from tendering for future public contracts.
- declare the senior management responsible for the sackings unfit to hold directorships.
- open criminal proceedings against P&O for flagrantly violating UK employment law.

Edinburgh Central CLP

PUBLIC SERVICES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUNDING

Conference notes the UK is currently in a cost-of-living crisis with the highest levels of inflation for more than 40 years. Alongside the general rates of inflation, certain

sectors such as fuel and energy costs have increased far beyond inflation, and still seem to be spiralling out of control with no end or reassurance in sight.

Conference recognises support that Labour in Local Government has put in place to attempt to mitigate the mismanagement of the economy by the Conservative UK Government. This is despite cuts of more than 60p in the pound to council funding since 2010

Conference recognises the key role of the voluntary & community sector in helping our communities in this most challenging of times. The fact that people, including many in work, have to rely on charity to feed their families in one of the richest countries on the planet is a disgrace.

The Trussell Trust have reported in the period April 2021 to March 2022 they have distributed more than 2.1 million food parcels.

Conference reaffirms its demand for an emergency budget to assist families at this challenging time.

Conference recognises and confirms any long-term solutions to tackling the structural inequality, which has in part led to the cost of living crisis, in our society will have local government at its heart and commits to the establishment of robust structures to ensure that Labour's front bench works closely with Labour Local Government on all issues to do with helping our citizen's manage this crisis.

Association of Labour Councillors

Conference applauds the local government workers who kept vital services running through Covid-19 despite the huge risks they faced at work. In the absence of leadership from this Tory government, it was these workers alongside Labour councillors who led the way, whether delivering food parcels to shielding residents, keeping schools open or looking after the elderly and vulnerable.

Conference notes that local government is critical to tackling the big issues facing society. It's Labour councils leading the way in declaring the climate emergency and it's Labour councils on the frontline helping people survive this cost-of-living crisis.

However, conference notes that over a decade of austerity has left councils at breaking point, damaging the services that local communities rely on. Local government workers have endured over a decade of real-terms pay cuts and many cannot now afford the essentials.

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- Support Labour councillors and trade unions to campaign together against Conservative cuts
- Combat further privatisation, academisation and outsourcing, and work to bring public services back in-house

Chipping Barnet CLP

Conference condemns the Westminster government's longstanding policy of tight constraints on public sector pay in the UK, with decades of central funding cuts, pay caps, imposed pay review bodies and other limits designed to hold down the pay of all workers.

Conference is appalled by the 12% real-terms cut in average full-time firefighters' pay (measured by CPI) since 2010.

Conference condemns the 2% pay offer made by fire employers to firefighters in June this year, the largest real terms pay cut on firefighters in living memory.

Conference condemns the Home Office White Paper, Reforming Our Fire and Rescue Service, launched in May 2022.

Conference is appalled that the White Paper contains no plans or resources to improve the fire and rescue service, nor will it solve the building safety crisis exposed by the Grenfell Tower fire.

Conference believes firefighting is a humanitarian service, not about policing.

Conference believes that the White Paper:

- threatens the legal rights of firefighters to collectively bargain with employers over pay, conditions, safety and other contractual matters.
- threatens the right of firefighters to take lawful industrial action.
- seeks to give chief fire officers powers to dictate cuts to public services.
- if implemented, would cut firefighters' pay, increase hours, roles and intensity, introduce unsafe practices and stretch the service to breaking point.

Conference opposes the White Paper, which is an attack on the workforce and the Fire Brigades Union.

Conference commits the Labour Party to vigorously campaigning alongside the FBU in defence of firefighters and their service.

Fire Brigades Union

Conference stands appalled at the recent increase in threats, abuse and violence towards retail workers and reaffirms its belief that abuse should never be part of the job. Usdaw's research has shown that since 2017, the proportion of retail workers being abused at work has increased from around half to 90%. The number of retail workers being physically assaulted has trebled over the same period.

This conference celebrates the work of Daniel Johnson MSP in delivering ground breaking legislation in Scotland to protect retail workers but recognises that legislation will only ever be one part of the solution to the endemic abuse facing retail workers. Workers deserve protection through properly funded public services.

Conference condemns the impact of Tory austerity cuts on the safety of workers. Cuts to probation, rehabilitation and other programmes that support offenders and reduce incidents, as well as a significant reduction in resources for both community policing initiatives and the justice system, have all had a serious impact on the safety of retail workers.

As such, Conference calls upon the Labour Party to commit to significant investment in public services to protect retail workers; this investment should include:

- Delivering nationwide initiatives that support the complete rehabilitation of offenders.
- To invest in community led policing initiatives, which recognise the invaluable role that retail workers play in our communities and delivers locally led programmes to guarantee worker safety.
- A properly funded justice system to tackle the backlog and deliver victims of violence and abuse the justice they deserve.

Union of Shop, Distributed & Allied Workers

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Unison

REFORMING THE POST OFFICE

This conference believes that Post Office Ltd. Is not fit for purpose.

This Crown owned public company, subsidised by the tax-payer to help it fulfil its social purpose, is supposedly underpinned by four principles:

Keeping customers at the heart of everything it does

Building relationships based on trust.

Treating everybody with fairness and honesty

Making a positive social and economic contribution to all the communities in which it operates.

POL 's failure to comply with these principles is demonstrated by their treatment of seven hundred branch members falsely accused of fraud, compensation for which is to be borne by the public purse.

So many customers have seen their branches disappear. This is the case in towns, villages and city centres. Crown post offices have been replaced by franchises in private retail chains. A poor substitute , the service is exposed to the uncertainty of this sector as shown with the recent collapse of the McColl Group. The effect of closure in rural areas is drastic, especially for older people who may have lost their last remaining banking service.

This conference calls on the next Labour Government to ;

Introduce legislation to dissolve POL.

Cease the closure of Crown post offices and stop further franchising.

Reverse branch closures.

Introduce a new Postbank

Rebrand the Post Office to restore confidence in its customers and staff.

Norwich South CLP

SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS

Conference notes:

1. Since new model Standard Attainment Tests (SATs) were introduced in 2016, Ofsted notes that provision of enrichment subjects such as music has reduced across the school system,
2. One third of children leave primary school having 'failed to meet the required standard' in their SATs,
3. Rates of mental ill-health in our children and young people (age 5-16) are increasing, from one in nine in 2017 to one in six in 2021,
4. 83% of primary headteachers say that SATs have a negative impact on pupils' wellbeing; 93% say English and maths are prioritised in primary school to the detriment of music, art and science; 76% do not believe that SAT results are an accurate way of predicting a pupil's future performance,
5. 90% of secondary teachers say that SATs results do not accurately reflect pupil ability,
6. Private schools do not conduct SATs: 'withdrawing from SATs had a positive effect on teaching and learning', Christopher King, CEO, Independent Association of Prep Schools.

Conference believes:

1. High stakes testing narrows the curriculum and negatively impacts children's wellbeing,
2. Teachers know their pupils and are best placed to assess their progress,
3. Growth sectors for employment are in roles requiring creative problem solving and critical thinking, not rote learning.

Conference resolves to support:

1. A return to teacher assessment to replace high stakes SATs,
2. Expansion of the English primary school curriculum to include hands-on subjects, critical thinking and enrichment subjects.

Lancaster and Fleetwood CLP

SCHOOL STRUCTURE

Conference reaffirms Labour's commitment to ensure that all schools will be taken back under local democratic control under a Labour Government.

Conference believes that:

- There is no evidence that MATS improve children's outcomes or experience at school.
- The current school system is expensive, confused and fragmented.
- MATS are not based in communities and make the planning of school provision by local communities more difficult.
- MATs too often work against the interests of disadvantaged and SEND pupils;
- Schools in MATs have less autonomy than local authority maintained schools;
- MATS have no democratic governance or accountability.

Conference understands that reforms to curriculum, assessment and pedagogy will not succeed without structural reform of our school system.

Conference resolves to support schools resisting academisation and absorption into MATS, and supports Labour LA's that put in place collaborative structures to support schools working together locally. All schools should collaborate in the best interests of all learners in their area and be accountable to the communities they serve.

Conference instructs the Education Policy Commission to work with shadow ministers, the SEA, local authorities, Education Unions and parents' groups to develop new democratic structures based around LAs, to govern the delivery of education in their areas, within a national framework, so that parents, education workers, learners and the community are genuine stakeholders in their schools.

Dudley North CLP

This Conference notes that

- The Tory Government's White Paper 'Opportunity for all: Strong Schools with great teachers for your child' is based on false claims about the success of academies and is underpinned by a right-wing ideology of marketisation and out-sourcing.
- It ignores peer-reviewed research related to teaching, learning and assessment and marginalises the professional expertise of teachers and lecturers including those in universities' teacher education departments. Instead, it seeks to impose rigid, mechanistic classroom practice on teachers.
- As a result of Tory policies, there is a teacher shortage crisis with applications in 2021 24% down on the previous year, 8% down on 2019. Over 30% of teachers are seeking to leave the profession.
- The Public Accounts Committee and investigative journalists have repeatedly exposed the scandal of financial mismanagement, rocketing CEO salaries and lack of community involvement and accountability of the academy system

Conference calls on Labour's shadow front bench to

- vigorously oppose the Schools Bill which enables local authorities to force state-maintained schools in England to join multi-academy trusts, perpetuates

- the role of Ofsted and transfers England's school system into the hands of unelected Regional Directors,
- ii. work with education trade unions, the SEA and other stakeholders to produce a radical vision for a National Education Service which ends academisation and reverses the marketisation introduced by the Tories in the 1988 Act, restores local democratic control, free access to higher and further education and gives more professional autonomy to teaching staff.

Richmond Park CLP, Socialist Education Association

SOCIAL CARE

Women are the main family carers for disabled children, working age adults and frail older people at the sacrifice of careers, earnings and pensions. 82% of staff employed in adult social care are female but 40% of senior managers are men.

Many years of Tory cuts and privatisation of public services have largely obliterated early help services and care for people at home. For want of such help more children and young people are coming into care, more people are suffering abuse and neglect, more people are being admitted to hospital in an emergency, and more are stuck in hospital because their needs cannot be met in the community. Private equity companies are making money by stripping assets from care companies while paying poor wages and depriving care staff of the training and resources needed to provide safe and compassionate care. There is a staffing crisis.

We call upon the Labour Party to develop a cross government approach to Health, Education, Social Care, Welfare Benefits and place-based services to restore and develop prevention and early intervention. We call for local authorities to be mandated and given the increased funding needed to shape the market for social care: to meet the needs of local communities; to be provided by ethical organisations, especially public sector, local co-operatives and voluntary organisations. We call for social care staff and social workers to be recognised for the vital work they do through pay, conditions, training and career paths in line with NHS colleagues.

Banbury CLP

Beverley and Holderness CLP believes that:

Our Social Care system is broken and in need of urgent reform. Disabled people and carer's face increased isolation, indignity, maltreatment and neglect. and that barriers to inclusion and independent living are in breach of the UN Convention on the Rights of Disabled People.

Further that:

Most care and support is marketised, much of which is charity based, privatised and unstable leaving thousands of disabled people in poverty and that the current system doesn't reflect users' needs, wishes and diversity

Also that, staff wages, training and conditions are leading to annual staff turnover of over 30% and that the contributions of 8 million unpaid, overworked family carers, including children and older relatives, are unrecognised

Beverley and Holderness CLP calls upon the next Labour government to:

Establish a new National Care, Support and Independent Living Service (NaCSILS), publicly funded on a not for profit basis, free at the point of use, nationally coordinated but designed and delivered locally, co-produced with service users and democratically accountable

Ensure that staff pay and conditions should reflect true value and skills

Fully recognise and support the contribution of 8 million family carers.

Beverley and Holderness CLP

This CLP notes the crisis in social care and calls for a plan that would transform care provision, empower those accessing care - and their families - to live the life they choose.

Conference agrees Labour policy must:-

- widen the entitlement to free care and aspire to making all care free at the point of need
- reduce the barriers which prevent all with moderate needs having access to care and support
- raise and guarantee the quality of care based on enforced national standards
- shift the focus to prevention and early intervention, with a new principle of Home First supporting people to live in the place they call home,
- ensure people get the care and support when and where they need it through national assessment criteria to avoid any post code lottery for care
- support Independent living for disabled people ensuring choice and control over the support they get
- deliver A New Deal for Care Workers ensuring staff get the pay, terms and conditions they deserve, tackling high vacancy rates, and transforming training
- deliver a new partnership with carers and families " so unpaid family carers get a generous allowance, proper information, advice and breaks and more flexibility in the workplace
- provide investment to improve and expand on facilities for care provision within the public sector.

The government has not fixed social care. Planned funding is dangerously inadequate, leaving those who draw on services, their families and unpaid carers facing increasing impoverishment, exclusion and harm while staff are being forced out of their jobs by poverty pay and poor conditions.

Social care has been privatised for many years, resulting in an unstable, profit-hungry market where large providers provide generally worse care. The evidence for this is clear in both adult and children's care and support.

Disabled and older people, already hard hit by the cost of living crisis, are facing massively increased charges for social care and support, and being threatened by debt recovery action when they can't pay.

A massive democratic deficit means that care and support doesn't reflect users' needs nor wishes.

This (organisation/party branch/union branch etc) demands the Government establish a new National Care, Support and Independent Living Service (NaCSILS) which is:

- Publicly funded, free at the point of use
- Publicly provided, not for profit
- Nationally mandated but designed and delivered locally
- Co-produced with service users and democratically accountable
- Underpinned by staff whose pay & conditions reflects true value and skills
- Designed to meet the needs of informal carers
- Guided by a taskforce on independent living

Denton and Reddish CLP

Conference notes that more than one in eight adults now care for an adult family member or friend. The recent increase in unpaid carers is largely the result of a social care system that is increasingly struggling to meet the needs of a growing older population and people with long term conditions or disabilities.

Conference commits to campaign to ensure national health institutes, local health authorities and social care organisations provide effective and comprehensive support to unpaid carers.

This includes helping and directing carers to the best advice and support that is available for the person they are caring for, safeguarding the well-being of carers and ensuring employers provide supportive working arrangements for carers.

Carers must also be recognised as partners in the care of the person they are supporting, not as a cheap alternative to the social care system.

Furthermore, financial support given to carers needs to be included in the review. For instance, when assessing the eligibility for the provision of a carer's allowance, the condition that applicants can earn no more than a specified net income (only £132 per week in 2022) must be eliminated.

This is particularly relevant to carers on low incomes or benefits, and retired carers, whose only source of income is their state pension.

Newbury CLP

STANDARDS IN PUBLIC LIFE

This Conference expresses its grave concern at the reports earlier this year of outrageous behaviour at Westminster, which is the workplace of our MPs and Lords. This deplorable behaviour is totally unacceptable, including the watching of pornography, sexism, misogyny, racism and 'Partygate.'

A Labour Government must resolve to hold an investigation and inquiry into the unique practices at Westminster, including the culture of alcohol and unlimited licensing hours in the bars and restaurants at both the House of Commons and the House of Lords. whilst they are 'sitting' and therefore effectively 'working.'

Conference notes that:

In no other form of employment in the UK is it possible to drink alcohol whilst working as it is gross misconduct and a sackable offence;

MPs receive a salary of a minimum of -£82,000 pa Yet in the many restaurants in both Houses luxurious meals are served that are heavily subsidised by taxpayers

A future Labour Government therefore Resolves to:

1. Launch a full Inquiry into the outrageous practices in both Houses, as detailed above, and restore the Ministerial Code of Conduct and tighten if necessary.
2. End the unique practice of alcohol being served whilst MPs and Lords are 'sitting', in line with all other workplaces in the UK
3. End the unacceptable subsidies by the taxpayer of luxurious meals in the restaurants in both Houses

Blackley and Broughton CLP

TAX

This Conference notes:

That this government clearly intends the ordinary taxpayer to pay for the cost of its mismanagement of the Covid-19 crisis. In addition to real wage cuts, rising inflation and energy costs, it intends to increase the unfair burden on low- and middle-income earners by raising national insurance and income tax.

The majority of wage earners pay tax at the base rate of 20%, whilst people whose income is derived from wealth held in shares pay a tax rate of only 7.5%; capital gains attracts merely a 10% tax rate.

If the government is serious about its levelling-up agenda, it needs to address this primary cause of this tax-based wealth inequality.

Conference therefore calls on the Labour party leadership to adopt as policy a plan to overhaul the tax system so that wealth is taxed on an equal footing to earnings.

Chesterfield CLP

Conference notes;

The Conservatives have chosen to impose punishing tax rises on working people this year during a cost of living crisis.

By raising NICs they raised the only tax that is paid solely by working people, further increasing tax advantages in the system for people who get their income from unearned income.

A landlord with a buy-to-let property portfolio can pay a lower tax rate than their tenants who work in social care, the NHS or hospitality.

Meanwhile, our lax regulatory and enforcement regime allows billions in tax evasion and billions to be stashed offshore in tax havens via opaque legal vehicles.

Our complex web of tax allowances and reliefs provides ample opportunity for people to game the system.

Conference resolves;

To end these injustices by cracking down on tax evasion and closing the loopholes through which people are able to reduce their tax burden and stash billions offshore.

Back a strengthened economic crime bill that doesn't give oligarchs months to evade the law and empowers enforcement agencies to crack down on dirty money.

Reform the tax system to make it fairer for people with earned rather than unearned income.

This includes ending generous loopholes for private equity fund managers, private schools and non-doms.

Support international efforts to ensure multinational companies and the tech giants pay their fair share, via a global minimum rate of corporate taxation.

Loughborough CLP, Rochdale CLP

In the present state of our economy the effectiveness of the government's policy of levelling up is considerably reduced, while the gap between rich and poor in our country continues to grow.

It is therefore necessary for the Labour Party not only to help those most in need but also to introduce and expand taxes on wealth to create a fairer society by levelling down as well as up.

This Party resolves that our Treasury team should thoroughly investigate each of the following with a view to proposing legislation for a fairer society when we come to power:

1. Legislation to reduce the use of tax havens and to eliminate them where the British government has control over their territory.
2. The introduction of an annual wealth tax at a modest rate.
3. A review and reduction of exemptions for inheritance tax with the application of tax at graduated rates on each heir rather than a single rate on the whole estate, thus encouraging a wider distribution of wealth. The total exemption for charities should remain.
4. A review of the allowance against realised capital gains, considering whether one personal tax allowance should be given in respect of income plus realised capital gains rather than one allowance for each as at present.

Meriden CLP

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Wythenshawe and Sale East CLP

THE GROWING CHALLENGES OF OUR ECONOMY

Conference notes that increased use of automation and AI in the workplace is occurring rapidly across all sectors. Conference further notes that workers will need new skills to adapt to the changing world of work, and to respond to the potential challenges that new technologies pose such as driving discrimination and inequality.

Conference believes that new technologies should be designed with workers and for workers, to ensure that they contribute to better work, with greater reward, autonomy, and dignity for all working people.

Conference calls on the Labour Party to support the following changes to ensure that workers are supported at the heart of technology changes at work:

- i. A right to retrain, including a right to paid time off to support retraining.
- ii. Investment in lifelong learning, including the introduction of a new lifelong learning fund.
- iii. Investment in skills funding, including the reinstatement of union learn funding.
- iv. Modifications to make the apprenticeship levy more targeted to workers that need it and more flexible, including allowing its use for training for future jobs.
- v. A requirement for employers to consult with workers on new workplace technologies, as well as usage of existing technology. This should include the requirement to carry out algorithmic impact assessments where data driven systems are used, to understand the impact of such technologies on workers.
- vi. A right for workers to have human involvement in decision making that affects them at work— reinforcing and strengthening protections in the GDPR against solely automated decision making.

Community

Conference believes that the current cost of living crisis has been accelerated by an economy that prioritises extreme profit at the expense of degrading the living standards and wages of workers.

That the root of this crisis is a structural imbalance of power and wealth decades in the making, which permeates the world of work, how the economy operates and drives institutionalised inequalities of race, gender, disability and class.

This imbalance has also degraded our public services and alongside a lack of regulation in the private sector, is allowing profits to circulate outside of the UK

economy and into the pockets of billionaires, private companies and other nation states.

That the solution to this crisis and all major challenges converging on society, from the climate emergency to the health crisis, is rooted in the expansion of the state and the democratic control and ownership of our utilities and essential industries

Therefore, in addition to Labour providing a genuine alternative plan to solve the cost of living crisis, Labour must also now call for a new political and societal consensus, including the need for:

- Taking back control of essential services and utilities through new models of democratic and efficient public ownership.
- A new economic approach that creates the race to the top for working people including higher wages and stronger employment rights.
- Democratising the governance systems within big business, introducing fair pay ratios between CEO's and their employees, and ensuring that shareholder dividends are no longer prioritised over workers wages.

CWU

Conference is deeply concerned by the growing economic challenges facing working people. One of the critical challenges workers face in the workplace is the development and introduction of new technology and automation. The resultant job insecurity and retraining need is massive. An estimated nine in ten employees in the UK will need to retrain by 2030, at an additional cost of £13 billion.

Conference is clear that we need a new deal for workers based on comprehensive skills training, strengthening trade union rights and high quality, secure employment. At the moment it is too easy and too cheap for employers to make workers redundant as a result of the introduction of automation systems; this needs to change.

Conference calls on the Labour Party to commit to:

- A requirement for employers to consult on new technology, including the use of Equality Impact Assessments which employers must act upon.
- A significant and long-term investment in skills funding, including the reinstatement of the Union Learning Fund across England.
- The creation of an independent National Skills Taskforce to regularly forecast supply and demand for nationwide skills investment and make recommendations to Government.
- A fundamental overhaul of the Apprenticeship Levy so that it better serves the needs of workers.
- A legal right to paid time off for retraining and strengthened collective rights including, reducing the thresholds for trade union recognition.

- Strengthening protection against redundancy, including 90 days' consultation for large scale redundancies and three weeks' statutory redundancy pay for all workers irrespective of age.

Union of Shop, Distributed & Allied Workers

Motion: Conference believes our economy is broken; it does not deliver for workers or society as a whole. To build a better future we must tackle this and meet the growing challenges facing the country. The failure of the UK economy to deliver for workers goes far beyond the cost of living crisis.

Conference notes wages were suppressed in response to the economic crisis in 2008 and have never recovered. Instead the "recovery" saw record profits, widening income and wealth inequality and growing poverty.

The profit margins for the UK's biggest listed companies were 73% higher in 2021 than pre-pandemic levels in 2019. Between 2020 and 2021 average pay for the highest paid directors of the UK's biggest listed companies leapt a colossal 29%.

Unite has exposed how this profiteering - not workers' wages - is driving inflation, going far beyond the energy sector.

Yet it is workers expected to exercise pay restraint and continue to accept deteriorating living standards.

People can't afford to accept another national pay cut to subsidise profits.

Conference believes workers must not be made to pay for an economic crisis fuelled by profiteering.

Conference resolves that Labour will act to;

- Take effective measures to prevent profiteering and reshape the economy to the benefit of workers and communities.
- Support trade unions as the most effective vehicles to organise workers and win better jobs, pay and conditions.
- Ensure companies that receive Government financial support, investment or procurement contracts have enforced guarantees to protect and create decent jobs and pay.

Unite

UKRAINE

Conference condemns Putin's illegal invasion of Ukraine.

Conference notes:

The invasion of Ukraine is an unprovoked and unjustifiable outrage solely of Putin's making.

The illegal invasion has resulted in senseless loss of life and brought crimes against humanity.

The Labour Party expresses solidarity with the Ukrainian people at this difficult time and admiration for the incredible bravery they have shown in defending their country against tyranny and imperialism.

Conference resolves:

The Labour Party should continue to stand with NATO allies in providing military, economic, diplomatic and humanitarian assistance to the Ukrainian people.

To develop a long-term strategy on energy, economics and politics to tackle Putin and dictators around the world to ensure security for British people and our partners and allies around the world.

To develop a long-term strategy to ensure British forces are equipped to keep Britain and our allies safe and secure against threats of force.

To work closely with other European governments and other international allies to provide assistance and give refuge to Ukrainian's fleeing conflict.

To support ICC investigations into potential war crimes committed by Russian forces in Ukraine.

Derby South CLP, Hyndburn CLP, Streatham CLP

Conference unequivocally condemns the illegal invasion of Ukraine and the crimes against humanity committed by Russian forces.

Conference notes:

1. That human rights are systematically repressed under Putin and Lukashenko's authoritarian regimes, including trade unionists' rights; and that labour rights have been suppressed in the occupied territories of Ukraine since 2014.
2. The appeals from Ukrainian trade unions and the democratically elected Ukrainian government for practical and financial aid, including to protect workers and support refugees.
3. That cuts to defence jobs and the UK's manufacturing base are hindering our ability to aid Ukraine.

Conference affirms:

- a. Its support for civil rights in Russia and Belarus, including labour rights and the freedom of speech, that are currently denied.
- b. Its solidarity with the Ukrainian people, including Ukrainian refugees whose sanctuary has been delayed or denied by the Government's dysfunctional approach to settlement schemes.

Conference resolves its support for:

- i. The immediate withdrawal of Russian forces from Ukrainian territories.
- ii. The provision of moral, material, and military aid from the UK to Ukraine, including the means of self-defence – the right to which is enshrined under international law.
- iii. An increase in funding for UK defence manufacturing so that the UK can rebuild lost industrial capacity and jobs, better aid Ukraine, and meet its international obligations in an increasingly insecure world.
- iv. A peaceful end to the conflict that respects and secures the territorial integrity of Ukraine and can carry the support of the Ukrainian people.

GMB

Conference endorses the Labour Party's unreserved condemnation of the unprovoked Russian invasion of Ukraine; a clear violation of the United Nations Charter, which declares that: "All Members shall refrain in their international relations from the threat or use of force against the territorial integrity or political independence of any state."

Conference notes that, according to a report by The New York Times, more than 200 Ukrainians are dying on the frontline of this conflict every day, with untold thousands having already been killed.

Conference welcomes the exemplary support programme offered by the London Borough of Camden through their 'Supporting Ukraine' initiative – providing assistance for families, healthcare provision and, most crucially, sanctuary housing.

Conference believes in the power of solidarity with the Ukrainian people in their courageous resistance to Russian aggression and calls on the British Government and its NATO allies to maintain international pressure through economic sanctions and the supply of defensive weaponry.

Conference resolves to:

- support the Ukrainian decision to apply for EU membership, endorsing Keir Starmer in working with the EU to facilitate their acceptance;
- support the decision of Finland and Sweden to join NATO, to defend all member states under threat;
- call on the British Government to do all in its power to avert further exacerbating the global refugee crisis by investing in a comprehensive package of support for all those peoples displaced by unjust aggression.

Holborn and St Pancras CLP

Conference notes:

1. That Russia's invasion of Ukraine has led to tens of thousands of deaths; nine million fleeing Ukraine and ten million internally displaced; horrendous war crimes and human rights abuses by Russian forces.

Conference believes:

1. That Russia's war, waged by a power that oppressed Ukraine for centuries, is unjustified, unprovoked imperialist aggression.
2. For the sake of democracy and resisting growing authoritarian tendencies globally, Ukraine must win.
3. That Western governments have not yet given Ukrainians sufficient weapons to liberate their country and bring peace to Ukraine.

Conference condemns all who would seek to exploit the cost-of-living crisis to undermine support for Ukraine.

Conference resolves:

1. To declare solidarity with the people of Ukraine and their labour movement who are resisting the invasion.
2. That Labour will campaign for:
 - a. A free united Ukraine, with any peace deal determined by the people of Ukraine.
 - b. Increased military aid necessary to enable Ukrainians to free their country, including modern tanks, aircraft and artillery.
 - c. Justice for victims of war crimes, including POWs killed.
 - d. Lifting of restrictions on refugees fleeing Ukraine.
 - e. A socially progressive reconstruction in which trade unions and civil society are properly recognised and can democratically participate.
3. That the party will also:
 - a. Promote Ukrainian trade union fundraising appeals for aid
 - b. Encourage CLPs to invite Ukrainian labour movement speakers.
 - c. Call a National Day of Action, 'Labour Supports Ukraine'

National Union of Mineworkers

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS

This Conference recognises the urgent need for political leadership at all levels to tackle violence against women and girls in the UK by making this a priority for policy, public investment, action strategies and campaigning.

Therefore all Labour Candidates in all elections in the UK from 2022 will make a public commitment to this work and fight for the public resources for change to happen.

North Herefordshire CLP

Women and girls in girls in Britain are suffering from misogyny, expressed in sexual harassment, domestic abuse and death. Currently, not all police forces around the country record Misogyny.

We call upon the Labour Party to campaign for the following:

- a. Legislation to make misogyny a hate crime, to be recorded as such by all police forces across the UK, and prosecuted by the Crown Prosecution Service. Currently only 12 police forces do this.
- b. That police forces should be required to record all instances of femicide, the killing of a woman or girl by a man, with immediate effect.
- c. That a task force be set up before the end of this year to assess the extent and impact of incel (involuntary celibate) groups both online and offline and to work with voluntary groups and experts who have already begun work in this field.
- d. That all incidents of domestic abuse, including coercive and controlling behaviour, assault, grievous bodily harm or sexual assault and rape, should be prosecuted automatically without the victim being required to make a formal complaint.
- e. That policing resources should be increased to ensure that police forces are able to deal with these new responsibilities. At the very least they should return to pre 2010 strength.

Ribble Valley CLP

WATER

Comprehensive tracking shows that half the sewage treatment works (STWs) in the Upper Thames basin discharge raw sewage for ten hours a week or more, due to inadequate capacity, caused by years of under-investment by Thames Water.

Thames Water's current investment plans are totally inadequate, consciously damaging the environment, and endangering water users' health.

This government has cut the Environment Agency's funding for regulating river water by two thirds, destroying its ability to operate effectively.

Our problems are common across most river basins in England and Wales, necessitating immediate national action.

Conference calls on the Labour Party to demand an emergency investment programme to expand sewage treatment capacity across England and Wales, and to demand that the licences of water companies that persistently fail to perform to required standards be terminated.

Conference also calls on the next Labour Government to:

- Reverse the process of under-investment and environmental degradation since privatisation, by taking the water industry back into public ownership.

- Reverse Environment Agency funding cuts, so it can discharge its core regulatory duties.
- Oblige water companies to
 - publish monthly the number, duration and volume of untreated discharges from every STW
 - publish their investment plans for every STW
- Give the Environment Agency powers to fine water companies directly for every STW discharge and enable the EA to keep the proceeds of all fines, including court fines.
- Oblige all water industry regulators to report to Parliament twice yearly.
- Require planning approval for material developments to be contingent on adequate STW capacity

Oxford West and Abingdon CLP

WELFARE

Conference notes over 7 million families are going without the essentials .

As the cost of living has increased, so have arrears, and families have been driven into borrowing more just to pay for the things they need to survive.

Many people in poverty have deductions for Government debts, such as Council Tax and benefit overpayments, taken from them before social security payments reach their account.

Research from the Rowntree Foundation found 72% of UC recipients with deductions went hungry, people losing £61 a month in deductions on average.

People on Universal Credit can apply for one discretionary three-month payment holiday.

We call upon the Labour Party to adopt a policy of immediate payment holidays for all types of debt owed to the Government for the remainder of the cost of living crisis and to campaign for the current government to adopt this policy too.

Specifically that:

Debt deductions from Universal Credit are paused until at least April 2023.

This should apply to Council Tax arrears, as well as debts owed for Universal Credit advances, benefit and Tax Credit overpayments, and court fines deducted from benefits.

These payment holidays should be provided to all claimants, with discretion for claimants to continue to repay these debts if they can afford to do so. This will put more money into the pockets of people subject to benefit deductions while costs are high, and is separate to the aims of Breathing Space.

North West Durham CLP

We are now living in the worst cost of living crisis since the last world war. In 12 years of eroding the welfare state virtually everyone on benefits is in debt. We need a system that transforms welfare, business and people. To achieve this, we are calling on Labour to research forms of Universal Basic Income.

The opportunities to move into work is not as clear cut in this economy as in traditional working arrangements. People will work a mixed shift of hours week by week and if you are out of work you need to have the stability of income to move into this new way of earning. The welfare system needs to work flexibility to meet the needs of the modern labour market. The most empowering way to do this is Universal Basic Income for working age people.

This CLP urges the Labour Party as a party focused on improving economic security and personal wellbeing to:

Immediately and publicly research systems of UBI across the UK

Adopt UBI as a policy in the run up to the next general election

Commit to including UBI in its manifesto

Commit to implementing UBI in its first term in government

Orpington CLP

Conference notes that

Since the Tories came to power 12 years ago, in work poverty, low pay and financial insecurity

have become commonplace At least one in six working households are now in living poverty.

Rising consumer prices have erode d the incomes of the worst off significantly more than the rich because those on low incomes spend a much greater proportion of their incomes on essential goods and services.

The current income distribution system has broken down irretrievably and our social security system has become woefully dysfunctional.

Income inequality has increased with the best paid continuing to receive excessive salaries with massive pay increases and unseemly bonuses whilst ordinary working people are punished with austerity, inflation and a cost of living crisis.

Conference believes that:

In work poverty and chronic insecurity will not be overcome by only minimum wage laws, tax reductions, windfall taxes and means tested benefits.

The time has come for a radical transformation of our income distribution system. Universal Basic Income is now a political imperative.

Conference Resolves to:

Call upon the Labour Party to introduce a Universal Basic Income within the next Labour Government.

In the meantime, the Labour Party must immediately adopt a UBI policy and develop and provide campaign materials and resources to enable CLPs and members to explain and promote this policy to the electorate within their local communities and workplaces.

Penrith and the Border CLP

WOMEN'S STATE PENSION AGE

CLP - Northampton North - notes:

- a. PHSO has found the DWP guilty of Maladministration when communicating the changes to the State Pension age;
- b. The 1993 White Paper 'Equality in State Pension Age' set out the Government's intention to equalise men and women's State Pension age. Pensions Act 1995 passed through Parliament, phasing changes over a 10-year period was intended from 2010. The long lead in was to allow people sufficient time to plan. However:
- c. DWP had insufficient specific plans to implement the White Paper commitments. Their General Awareness campaign relied on updating leaflets, adding few adverts; Start date was not clarified. Many thought it commenced in 2015, 20 years on from 1995; In late 1990's DWP knew that women did not know their own SPa.
- d. DWP only started writing directly to women in 2009, 14 years after legislation was passed.

This CLP believes that:

- a. Women were not properly informed. None could prepare for devastating increased consequences to their Sp, because of precarious work patterns, unavailability of Occupational Pensions to part timers/low waged workers, meant absolutely no opportunity to save into Occupational Pension schemes with more reliance on State Pension.

NN CLP pledges support to the WASPI Campaign

Requires: National Policy Forum party policy and next Labour Government to legislate to right this historic wrong.

Northampton North CLP

WORKERS' PAY

Conference notes Labour's proud record as the party of decent pay. It was Labour Governments that delivered equal pay, the minimum wage, and record investment in public services, and it is Labour in power in Wales rolling out the real living wage for all care workers.

Conference believes that the cost-of-living crisis is a low pay crisis. The only way to avoid the steepest drop in living standards since the 1950s is to give Britain's workers a pay rise.

Conference thanks public service workers who put their lives on the line through the Covid-19 pandemic, and notes that over a decade of Tory pay restraint and austerity has left them vulnerable to this cost-of-living crisis.

As high inflation continues to push up prices and put strain on household budgets, Conference therefore resolves that Labour will commit to taking urgent steps to improve pay and rebuild a fairer economy including:

- Pay increases at least in line with inflation
- Government at all levels to take seriously their responsibility to fund public services properly and deliver a fair wage to those who provide them
- £15 per hour minimum wage
- Job security and proper sick pay
- Reform of the welfare system to protect dignity and provide adequate income
- Affordable, good quality childcare that allows parents to return to work and which pays early years staff a decent wage
- Employers, not workers, to bear the costs of working, including hospital carparking fees and out-of-date mileage rates.

Unison

WORKERS RIGHTS

Conference agrees that the Labour Party should actively support and promote the trade union movement and campaign to recruit members, highlighting the benefits of trade union membership and the rights of trade unions to take official Industrial Action where necessary to defend members terms and conditions of employment.

This conference recognises the fundamental rights of trade unions to take strike action in defence of their member's interests. As an integral part of the Labour Party the trade unions expect that such strikes would have the full support of the Labour Party. Labour Party members therefore have the right to make donations, speak out in defence of strikers and visit picket lines to express support.

This conference therefore rejects any attempts to discipline members for supporting official trade union industrial action, including withdrawing the whip from members of parliament visiting picket lines.

This conference also reaffirms its commitment to repeal anti-trade union legislation.

Huddersfield CLP supports the Labour Conference promises to ensure workers have full rights from Day One , and to ban fire-and rehire and zero-hours contracts

We feel strongly that the historic link between trade unions and the Labour Party should be strengthened and, unless decisions have been taken outside of agreed rules and/or recognised protocols, the Labour leadership should support the withdrawal of labour when negotiations have broken down, as in the case of the current RMT (Railway Maritime Transport Union) dispute where the government has failed to address issues of pay and conditions of workers after two years' of discussions.

In the context of the lifting of pay caps of millions on the top earners and the profits of the largest companies rising by 34%, most workers have not been offered a pay rise which keeps any pace with the cost of living. Many public sector and care workers have not had a pay rise since the pandemic, despite the clapping for their sacrifices to save lives and keep the economy going. The case for a wage rise in line with inflation is entirely reasonable. If the Government won't negotiate, then the only option is to withdraw labour. Striking is a legal right and a last resort. No-one wants to go on strike: it means a cut in pay, and TU members are reluctant to inconvenience their neighbours, near or far.

Trade Unions should have public, well-argued support from the Parliamentary Party.

Huddersfield CLP

CONFERENCE NOTES

That the Labour Party was founded by trade unions to give a political voice to workers.

That research from Unite shows that profit margins for the UK's biggest companies are 73% higher than pre-pandemic levels and runaway profits are responsible for 59% of inflation in the last year.

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Middlesbrough South and East Cleveland CLP

Conference is alarmed at the proposals being put forward by those in the leadership of the Conservative Party that further threaten trade union and worker rights in Britain. The campaign proposals of Liz Truss included a plan to introduce minimum service levels during strikes affecting 'critical national infrastructure' such as railways and hospitals as well as further impediments to being able to take lawful industrial action by making balloting requirements even more onerous on unions. The proposals put forward by Grant Shapps are more insidious in that he is suggesting that the government would invoke emergency powers to put striking workers outside the law. As the Conservatives have raised the bar since 1980 and forced workers and their unions into an ever decreasing legal space those involved in the strike wave this summer have shown that workers can beat the strictures placed on them by the law.

Conference calls for:

- An ongoing commitment to proposals to improve employment rights as set out in the Green Paper New Deal for Working People
- An agreement that the Green Paper is but a first step towards a major reform, including necessary repeals, of labour law in Britain to ensure that as a minimum labour rights become compatible with international labour standards set by the ILO, Council of Europe and others
- Our leadership to move beyond supporting a right to strike as an abstract idea and give physical and political support to striking workers resisting the cost of living crisis

New Forest West CLP

Conference notes

1. According to Fuel Poverty: Estimates for the UK (University of York) 75% of people in UK will be pushed into fuel poverty by January 2023, predicting that Northern Ireland will face the highest level of all UK regions.

2. The TUC report states that:

- Real wages in the UK are forecast to shrink by 6.2% (£1,750) over the next two years – the tightest contraction in pay of any G7 economy.
- UK workers are suffering the longest and harshest pay squeeze in modern history.
- UK workers are still earning £75 a month less – in real terms – than in 2008.

3. More than 93% of food banks surveyed by Food Aid Network (IFAN) reported an increase in demand since the start of the year.

4. Trussell Trust (April 2022) has estimated that one in ten parents expects to need to access food banks or other related support over the summer.

Conference supports the TUC's call for

- A significant rise in the national minimum wage
- Strengthening collective bargaining rights to boost pay across the economy
- A real-terms pay rise for public sector workers moving towards restoring earnings lost over the last decade
- Raising Universal Credit to 80% of the real Living Wage
- Conference supports the trade union movement in its efforts to get pay rises for members that keep up with inflation, including taking industrial action when they have not been able to get pay rises through negotiation.

Northern Ireland

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Witney CLP

CONFERENCE NOTES

Young people are more likely to be in precarious work; underpaid, overworked, and facing pressure from their bosses to not join a trade union.

That Labour was founded by trade unions to give a political voice to workers, including young workers.

That in this period of high inflation and rocketing corporate profits, stagnating pay results in further transfer of wealth from working people to the hands of a wealthy few.

CONFERENCE BELIEVES

Young workers, including apprentices, deserve fair wages and should not be differentiated based on age.

That young workers must be encouraged to join trade unions. Industrial action is only taken as a last resort, and the right to strike is essential for workers to protect living standards.

Supporting workers on picket lines sends a strong message that a future Labour government will have the backs of young workers. Statements describing support for strikes as 'gesture politics' are antithetical to the purpose of the Labour Party.

That the public overwhelmingly supports industrial action with nearly - $\frac{3}{4}$ of people in favour of rail workers receiving a cost of living wage rise.

CONFERENCE RESOLVES

Labour will oppose real-terms pay cuts for workers, support wage rises in line with and in excess of current inflation, including a - £15 minimum wage across the board for workers and apprentices of all ages.

All Labour MPs will support striking workers by attending picket lines and vocally supporting strikes.

Labour will oppose all anti-trade unions laws, and repeal them in government.

Young Labour

A new deal for working people

Conference notes:

The Conservatives have rolled back workers' rights during their 12 years in power, with attacks on workers' rights intensifying as they have sought to distract from their own failings.

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Conference believes:

A Liz Truss government presents a threat to workers' rights, with senior government Ministers planning a bonfire of protections.

The Labour Party must strongly oppose these moves and offer a positive vision for how rights can be strengthened and work can be made fulfilling, secure and well-paid for all.

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Remove unnecessary restrictions on trade union activity, repealing anti-trade union legislation such as the 2016 Trade Union Act and strengthen trade unions' right of entry to workplaces to organise, meet and represent their members and potential members.

Introduce sectoral collective bargaining via modern Fair Pay Agreements, setting a floor for standards across sectors, starting in social care.

Bexhill and Battle CLP, Bolsover CLP, Dartford CLP, Hartlepool CLP, Hove CLP, Ilford North CLP, Liverpool West Derby CLP, Redcar CLP, South East Cambridgeshire CLP, Tiverton and Honiton CLP, Vale of Clwyd CLP

This Conference condemns

- The ineptness and insensitivity of the Tory government's inactivity at a time of a financial crisis which has destroyed the welfare of the vast majority of British people. - The decade of decline in government support for public services and investment in the nation's future. A decline which has resulted in a massive erosion in services provided by central and local government and associated agencies ranging from the provision of ambulances to the maintenance of zebra crossings.
- The hypocritical attitude of the Tory government and their puppet employers for their continuing attacks on the pay, conditions, and jobs of these workers who showed massive solidarity and selflessness during the Covid pandemic.

Conference agrees that the party's priorities shall be...

- The preparation and publication of policies which combat the difficulties created by the financial crisis, especially for the most vulnerable in our society, and ensure that the protection and promotion of the people's welfare is not subordinated to private profit.

- To expose the deliberate restrictions imposed by Tory ministers on public sector pay, jobs, and conditions where workers have suffered from systemic attacks since 2010.
- To defend the rights of trade union members to take action to defend their pay, pensions, job and conditions.
- To ensure a consistent approach for Labour when industrial disputes occur (as a last alternative). A consistency of approach which demonstrates solidarity to workers in disputes and a clear message as to whom (i.e. HMG) are responsible for the cause of the dispute.

Enfield North CLP

Hereford and South Herefordshire Labour Party deplores the erosion of workers' rights and calls upon a future labour government to:

strengthen workplace rights,

end fire and rehire,

end zero hours contracts,

support improvements in pay and conditions,

legislate for improvements in work/life balance and family life,

maintain/restore the ban on agency workers being hired to break strikes,

reverse any changes made before the next general election that reduce Trades Unions' and workers' rights.

Hereford and South Herefordshire CLP

This Annual Conference notes that:

- Tory anti-union legislation from the Employment Act of 1980 to the Trade Union Act of 2016, has severely curtailed the ability of unions to defend working people's pay and conditions, with further restrictions also on the agenda.
- This reduced union membership by more than half over the same period. Membership has increased since 2016 but only in the public sector, as private sector employers increasingly refuse to recognise unions.
- Income inequality has dramatically increased since 1980, exacerbated by the latest disparity in wage increases: top earners have been paid increases of over 10%, while lowest wages increased by just 1% in the face of inflation approaching 10%.
- The number of people in insecure employment has increased steadily, from 3.2 million in 2016 to 3.7 million in 2022.

This Annual Conference believes that:

- The Tory government has reneged on its promise to make Britain the best place in the world to work by attacking workers' union rights and fair pay.
- Unions can play a key role in helping the country recover from the crisis by supporting good, green jobs and working with employers to level up pay and conditions.
- Building on Labour's historic partnership with the unions will strengthen our efforts together to create real, lasting change for working people.
- This Annual Conference therefore calls upon the Labour Party to:
 - Commit to repealing anti-union legislation.
 - Campaign for an increase in the minimum wage to at least £15.
 - Encourage and support union efforts to advocate for workers in insecure employment.

New Forest East CLP

We acknowledge that the Labour Party was born from the Trade Union movement and that since its inception the Labour Party has introduced legislation which protects workers' rights and welfare.

We welcome the fact that the Labour Party encourages all members to be members of appropriate Trade Unions.

We therefore call on the Labour Party to:

- a. Campaign for the repeal of the Trade Union Act 2016 and review all other anti-Trade Union legislation
- b. Support fundamental Trade Union rights for all workers from Day One, including the right to strike
- c. Work closely with the Trade Unions to mitigate the impact of the cost of living crisis on working people where they have to choose between heating and eating.

South Ribble CLP

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Walthamstow CLP

MOTIONS REFERED TO THE NPF

The submissions from the following organisations exceeded the 250 word limit for motions and will not be included in the Priorities Ballot. They will be referred to the NPF after Conference for further consideration.

Bolton North East CLP

Sherwood CLP

Broxtowe CLP

Stroud CLP

Epsom and Ewell CLP

Torridge and West Devon CLP

Erith and Thamesmead CLP

Twickenham CLP

Gosport CLP

Uxbridge and South Ruislip CLP

High Peak CLP

Wantage CLP

Kingston and Surbiton CLP

Wolverhampton South West CLP

Newark CLP

York Central CLP

Normanton, Pontefract and Castleford
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The submissions from the following organisations submitted motions that were in reference to more than one subject and will not be included in the Priorities Ballot. They will be referred to the NPF after Conference for further consideration.

Beckenham CLP

Birmingham, Northfield CLP

Bootle CLP

Bosworth CLP

Bristol North West CLP

Carshalton and Wallington CLP

Clacton CLP

Congleton CLP

Dumbarton CLP

East Worthing and Shoreham CLP

Macclesfield CLP

Rhondda CLP

South Staffordshire CLP

Southend West CLP

Wirral West CLP

MOTIONS REFERED TO THE NEC

The submissions from the following CLPs are on organisational matters and as such have been referred to the NEC for further consideration after Conference.

Camberwell and Peckham CLP

Central Devon CLP

City of Chester CLP

Corby CLP

Glasgow Kelvin CLP

Manchester Central CLP

Montgomeryshire CLP

North East Cambridgeshire CLP

South West Surrey CLP

Ynys Mon CLP