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## **Motions**

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## ACCESS TO JUSTICE

Conference believes that fairness is at the heart of our movement and that this should be true in legal matters.

It deplores the injustices and unfairness of public bodies using public money for their legal representation whereas the individual or campaign group have to raise their own money to take an action

. Examples of this include:

- Hillsborough
- The infected blood scandal
- The Shrewsbury 24
- Orgreave
- 1974 Birmingham pub bombings

In these cases the mental and financial stress caused is enormous. The length of time to examine the case, if it is examined at all, can be much longer than necessary, with the result that in cases like the infected blood scandal people died before the case was heard.

Conference instructs the Labour Party to investigate ways that equal legal support can be provided to individuals and groups who have experienced injustice by a public body.

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Access to justice for workers has been eroded by successive governments. This has led to a reduction in those able to seek redress for unlawful treatment and has also resulted in many workplaces becoming more dangerous, with employers safe in the knowledge that the law is weighted in their favour.

Conference welcomes the 2017 legal victory which enabled many workers to once again bring claims of unfair dismissal or discrimination without employment tribunal fees, but workers who have suffered personal injury as a result of their employer's negligence or health and safety breaches, continue to face hurdles.

Conference notes that the Fixed Costs System was introduced with intent to provide transparency for claimants and prevent costs spiralling. But insurance companies are able to exploit this system, creating extra work and costs for claimants which will then never be recovered, once the case is won.

Court fees for personal injury claims limit access for ordinary workers.

Damages awarded to workers are falling as a result of claimants not being able to pay their lawyers for additional work by recovering costs- while employers with greater resources are in a position to keep litigating.

Labour must call for a review of the fixed costs scheme introduced in 2013, and reduce the number of cases to which it applies. Court fees must be lowered to ensure that ordinary workers are not denied access to justice and the Labour Party will oppose attempts to unjustly increase the small claims limit for recoverable personal injury costs.

**Kingston and Surbiton**

## ARMED FORCES

Conference call upon the next Labour Government to take the following steps to ensure serving and past members of the armed forces are treated with respect in return for the commitment to the security of our country.

- 1) Ensure every local authority implements the Military Covenant.
- 2) Establish a dedicated aftercare service for those leaving the Armed Forces.
- 3) Establish a community liaison post in every military base to support service spouses and service children.
- 4) Bring all military housing back under Government ownership and renovate homes to an acceptable standard.

**Aldershot**

## **ASYLUM**

This Conference notes last year's revelations in relation the Windrush generation of British citizens, the hostile environment policy and the complete incompetence and prejudice of the Department for Home Affairs in processing asylum, nationality and visa applications. Over a decade ago a Labour Home Secretary, John Reid, described the Home Office as not fit for purpose and nothing has changed since.

This Conference also notes that the eight consultation documents that were produced by the Policy Commissions of the National Policy Forum did not include any opportunity for consultation on asylum, immigration and nationality.

We therefore call upon Conference to resolve to make a manifesto commitment for the next general election for the setting up of a public body independent of the Home Office to deal with applications for asylum, nationality and visa applications. Asylum and nationality applications depend on law and facts and should be determined free from political influence. Visa applications should be determined based on policy direction from the Home Secretary subject to the overall supervision of Parliament.

**Greenwich and Woolwich**

## **AUTISM AND NEURODIVERSITY**

Conference welcomes the drafting of a specific Labour manifesto on Autism/Neurodiversity. We note that this process has been overseen by a team of neurodivergent Labour Party members and supporters convened by John McDonnell MP, and has had input from trade unions and campaign groups.

We note that autistic, dyslexic, and dyspraxic people, and people with attention deficit disorders, Tourette's, obsessive-compulsive disorders and other neurodivergent conditions experience a great deal of hostility, distress and disadvantage in our society, and that strong Labour policies on this issue can make a real difference to people's lives.

We support the draft Manifesto's core principles of the social model of disability; the neurodiversity approach; opposition to austerity; and support for socialism, democracy, solidarity; and 'nothing about us without us'.

We also welcome the Manifesto's policies, including commitments to stop and reverse cuts to services; provide access to diagnosis/recognition for all; fund and organise education to meet neurodiverse needs; place a legal requirement on employers to make workplaces and working conditions more equal and accessible and less hostile; and add 'neurological status' as a tenth protected characteristic under the Equality Act.

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Brexit is part of a right-wing nationalist exploitation of global economic and social crisis.

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**Beckenham**  
**Bethnal Green and Bow**  
**Chelsea and Fulham**  
**Eastleigh**  
**Edinburgh Southern**  
**Eltham**  
**Glasgow Maryhill and Springburn**  
**Grantham and Stamford**  
**Hackney South and Shoreditch**  
**Huddersfield**

**Lewisham West and Penge**  
**Maidstone and the Weald**  
**Mid Norfolk**  
**Milton Keynes South**  
**Nuneaton**  
**Oldham East and Saddleworth**  
**Romford**  
**Slough**  
**South West Wiltshire**  
**Thornbury and Yate**

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**Skye, Lochaber and Badenoch**  
**Horsham**  
**Kensington**  
**Ipswich**

The Bridgend Constituency Labour Party believes that the ongoing Brexit paralysis remains an unprecedented national emergency threatening the security, prosperity and integrity of the United Kingdom. This party calls on Labour to campaign for a public vote, in all circumstances, in which Labour clearly and unequivocally supports Remain and in which No-Deal is not an option, and to include this in the party manifesto if a general election is called before the current end of the Article 50 notice period, or any extended Article 50 notice period, taking all available action to avoid a no-deal outcome.

**Bridgend**

Castle Point CLP asks the Parliamentary Labour Party Leadership to vigorously press for a confirmatory Peoples Vote on any agreed outcome by Parliament, without preconditions.

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Labour supports a confirmatory vote on any Brexit outcome, ensuring that voters have a clear choice between leaving on negotiated terms or staying in the EU.

Labour will campaign for Remain in any public vote – not to defend the status quo, but as the basis for a radical transformation of the UK and European economies.

**Argyll and Bute  
Devizes  
New Forest East  
Watford**

Conference resolves that:

- a. Labour must unequivocally commit to a confirmatory referendum with Remain on the ballot
- b. Labour must campaign to stay in the EU in that referendum
- c. If a General Election is held, our manifesto must include a commitment to a confirmatory referendum with Remain on the ballot

**Braintree  
Witham**

The real division in society is not between those who voted Leave and Remain, but between the many and the few. Brexit is poisoning politics and stopping us from addressing the issues that matter to people. We need a general election to deliver a radical Labour government.

If the UK leaves the EU, Brexit does not end. Instead, we face years of negotiations and trade deals that deregulate our economy in the interests of the few, making it much harder to deliver our radical manifesto.

Brexit is a Tory project, and Labour opposes it. It would mean a victory for the nationalist right, and is a threat to our rights, jobs, NHS, public services and the fight against climate change.

We will answer insecurity and exploitation with hope and solidarity to bring the country together. We will rebuild communities with investment, expand common ownership, boost wages and union rights, and challenge the narratives of the nationalist right. Free movement is a workers' right which we will defend.

The Leave vote is more than three years old, and there is no clear democratic mandate for any Brexit settlement. The democratic imperative now is for the people to have the final say. Labour will back Remain in that public vote.

Labour is an internationalist party, with a duty to challenge the far right. We will campaign for a Europe-wide Green New Deal, levelling up of wages, democratising European institutions, ending Fortress Europe, and an international strategy to tax the rich and corporations.

**Hammersmith  
Morecambe and Lunesdale**

The Conservative Party is determined to rip the UK out of the EU on October 31, deal or no deal.

Labour must oppose the damaging agenda of an unelected Conservative Prime Minister.

Labour must reflect the overwhelming view of its members and voters, who want to stay in the EU.

There's no 'good' form of Brexit, it's a right wing project and Labour must oppose it.

The prospect of Brexit is already causing huge damage to our communities, with devastating job losses at Honda, Nissan and many more.

After nine years of austerity imposed by Tories and Lib Dems, our public services are under terrible strain – Brexit in any form will deepen the crisis.

EU membership better enables us to tackle the climate crisis, as members we can lead the campaign for a Green New Deal across 28 countries and a population of 500 million.

EU membership guarantees the free movement of people which has brought huge economic and cultural benefits to our country.

The EU is the most successful peace project in the history of Europe.

The only way to resolve Brexit is through a confirmatory referendum with an option to stay in the EU.

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Conference notes the grave danger of a damaging No Deal Brexit or Hard-Brexit, under the new Tory Prime Minister, that would lead to job losses, reductions in living standards and workers' rights, plus cuts in environmental and consumer protections, and a harmful trade deal with the US that would threaten the NHS.

Conference congratulates our party leadership and the PLP for voting in Parliament: to stop Theresa May's deal; against a No Deal exit; for a Customs Union; for alignment with the Single Market; and for a public vote – in line with the policy agreed by the 2018 Labour Party Conference.

Conference this year reaffirms its commitment to an approach that prioritises: the defence of people's living standards and jobs; the maintenance of access to EU markets, with at a minimum a customs union; the protection of people's rights; and no hard border on the island of Ireland.

Conference therefore agrees that the party must continue to fight to block a No Deal Brexit/Hard-Brexit, using all necessary and available means, including fighting for a general election and supporting a public vote on the terms of any departure from the European Union, with Remain as an option if no agreement can be reached in line with Labour Party policy.

Whatever Brexit plan the new Tory leader comes up with, after three long years of failure they should have the confidence to go back to the people on a deal agreed by Parliament.

#### **Aberconwy**

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Conference resolves:

To challenge the narratives of the far right, addressing the reasons people voted Leave.

To attack poverty, insecurity and inequality; rebuild communities with public investment and ownership;

boost wages and union rights; and combat the climate crisis.

To defend free movement and extend migrants' rights.

To campaign energetically for a public vote and to Remain.

To support revoking Article 50 if necessary to prevent No Deal.

To build cross-border alliances to transform Europe with socialist policies, starting with a Green New Deal, levelling up of wages and rights, and ending Fortress Europe.

To convene an international conference of left parties, unions and social movements to coordinate this struggle.

### **Aberdeen Central**

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Resolves

-Labour must unequivocally commit to a confirmatory referendum with Remain on the ballot.

-Labour must campaign to remain in and reform the EU in that referendum.

-When a General Election is held, our manifesto must include a commitment to a confirmatory referendum with Remain on the ballot.

### **Airdrie and Shotts**

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Conference RESOLVES that Labour will campaign energetically for a public vote with an option to remain in the EU. Labour will then campaign enthusiastically for remain during that public vote. We support revoking Article 50 if necessary to prevent No Deal."

#### **Batley and Spennings**

This calls upon the NEC and the Leadership of the Party to ensure that the Party's EU policy has no ambiguity, by supporting a confirmatory vote on any deal negotiated by any government, or No Deal, with Remain on the Ballot paper and for the Party to vigorously campaign to Remain in the EU.

#### **Bexhill and Battle**

Conference notes the Leave vote is now three years old, people voted Leave for a variety of reasons, and no Brexit settlement has a mandate.

The vast majority of Labour members and voters oppose Brexit and want the party to campaign to stay in Europe and transform the UK and the EU.

Brexit is a project of the hard right and an extreme-capitalist government. Brexit threatens the Good Friday Agreement and pushes Scotland towards independence. Brexit has fuelled the rise of racism nationally and internationally.

Boris Johnson's proroguing of Parliament shows that revoking Article 50 is the only way to save our democracy.

The Labour party will heal national divides and transform the UK with a programme that ends poverty and inequality through extensive public investment, higher wages, strong union rights and a Green New Deal.

Capitalism is transnational; we need transnational institutions and workers' movements to challenge it. We will build cross-border alliances to transform Europe with socialist policies that stop tax evasion, that end the outsourcing of public services and the EU's inhumane immigration policy towards refugees.

Thus, Labour will campaign unambiguously against another divisive referendum that opens the door for far-

right lies and propaganda. The party policy is to revoke Article 50 and transform the EU. This is the only way to conclude the Brexit process and prevent more harm to the population of this country.

We are ready for a General Election in which Labour's Manifesto includes a commitment to STAY in the EU.

### **Bournemouth West**

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Labour supports a public vote on any deal agreed with the EU, giving people a final say between leaving on negotiated terms or staying in the EU. Labour will also campaign for remain in any confirmatory referendum.

### **Brentford and Isleworth**

The Tory leadership election has proven that the likelihood of a No Deal Brexit has risen severely, whilst conference notes that the vast majority of Labour members and supporters oppose Brexit. In the face of this hardening of the Tory position, our policy must be clarified to reflect members' opinions, and also to help lead the public debate rather than merely reacting to it.

We need to challenge the narrative of the right, addressing the reasons people voted Leave. This means attacking poverty, insecurity and inequality; rebuilding communities with public investment and ownership; boosting wages and union rights; and combating the climate crisis.

No agreement currently exists amongst Brexit supporters as to what a deal should look like. There is currently no mandate in the House of Commons for any Brexit settlement. The deadlock needs to be broken.

Labour's position must be clear:

- Prevent any No Deal Brexit, if necessary by supporting the Revocation of Article 50
- Campaign to ensure any negotiated Deal is put to a confirmatory referendum with Remain as an option
- In the event of an Election, adopt a clear position to Revoke Article 50 and remain in the EU.

To challenge transnational Capitalism we need transnational institutions and workers' movements. We will build cross-border alliances to transform Europe with socialist policies, starting with a Green New Deal and levelling up of wages and rights. Labour will convene an international c"

## **Bristol East**

Conference notes that the vast majority of Labour members and Labour voters oppose Brexit. The Labour Party cannot go into a General Election without a clear Brexit policy. Our policy must reflect members' overwhelming support for a public vote on any Brexit settlement. That public vote should give voters a clear binary choice between any Brexit settlement and remaining within the European Union.

Since any form of Brexit threatens jobs, workers' rights, migrants, the NHS, public services and the environment, Labour will campaign for remain in that binary public vote.

## **Colchester**

Daventry believes

- that divisions within the country over Brexit will be intensified unless people are given an opportunity to vote in a referendum on whatever Brexit proposals are made by the Government;
- that, should a general election be held before a referendum and before the conclusion of the Brexit process, many will vote on the basis of their views on Brexit to the detriment of Labour.

Daventry therefore believes

- that Labour must support a referendum giving people the choice between the best Brexit outcome achievable and remaining in the EU;
- that this support should not be conditional on whether or not there is a general election before the Brexit process is concluded.

Daventry welcomed the assurances, given in 2015, that members would be consulted on major policy issues, but regrets that no such consultation on Brexit has been offered.

## **Daventry**

Brexit is part of a right-wing exploitation of global economic crisis. If we leave the EU Brexit does not end. We would face years of negotiations and neoliberal trade deals. Any form of Brexit threatens jobs, workers rights, migrants, the NHS, public services and the environment, and makes it harder to deliver a radical manifesto.

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We urge the Labour leadership to:

- Do everything in its power to prevent a no deal disaster, including backing revoking of Article 50 to stop no deal.
- Throw the full weight of our movement behind fully supporting a Final Say, a public confirmatory vote with option to Remain on any proposed Brexit deal.
- Proactively and energetically campaign both for a public vote and also for Remain on any deal, including one fixed by a Labour government.
- If a general election is held, the Labour manifesto must include an unequivocal commitment to a confirmatory vote with Remain on the ballot.

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## **East Lothian**

Conference wishes there to be a confirmatory referendum on Brexit, and urges the PLP to propose or support any motion in Parliament to this end, and to campaign publicly for this referendum. There should be three options on the ballot paper: to Remain in the EU; the deal negotiated by HMG with the EU; and a no deal Brexit. Voting should be by a single transferable vote between the options. If there is a referendum, Conference mandates the Party to campaign for a Remain vote.

## **Edinburgh Pentlands**

Conference notes:

The Conservatives have failed to deliver Brexit and Parliament has failed to agree any other way forward to decide the future of the UK's relationship with the EU.

Brexit was conceived and promoted by the extreme right to bring about deregulation and privatisation, undermine workers' rights and weaken food and product standards and environmental protection. Brexit is an attack on the interests of working people.

Our sister parties in the Party of European Socialists want the UK to remain in the EU and the next Labour Government to work for socialist policies across Europe.

Conference believes:

Labour must support the UK's continued membership of the European Union and offer real change for the UK's workers and communities, by promoting the benefits of co-operation in the Europe Union to overcome inequality, fight for tax justice, tackle climate change, harness the digital revolution, and guarantee security for all Europeans. It should support free movement and migrants' rights, and oppose both 'Fortress Britain' and 'Fortress Europe'. It must defend peace in Northern Ireland and the Good Friday Agreement.

Labour must campaign to win support for UK membership of the European Union, on a strong, confident pro-Remain and pro-Public Vote platform to mobilise our activists and attract new support from millions of undecided voters;

Labour must vigorously campaign against the extreme right-wing agenda of the Brexit Party, the Conservatives and UKIP to expose their links with exploitative corporations and their support for austerity, deregulation, privatisation and racist immigration policies.

## **Finchley and Golders Green**

Gainsborough calls for the Labour Party to Campaign to stay in the EU because of the immense social and economic benefits.

## **Gainsborough**

Conference Notes:

- Brexit chaos has been inflicted on this country by the Conservative Party.
- Boris Johnson cannot be trusted and is determined to take the UK out of the EU on October 31, even without a deal.
- The Labour Party supports the UK remaining in the EU and Scotland remaining in the UK.

Conference Believes:

- Any form of Brexit threatens jobs, workers' rights, freedom of movement, the NHS, public services and the environment, and makes it harder to deliver the Labour Party's radical manifesto.
- The Leave campaign misled the British public and the people of the UK deserve a final say on Brexit.
- The Labour Party must go into the General election with a clear policy to campaign for remaining in the EU.

Conference Resolves:

- Labour will fully commit to a confirmatory referendum on any Brexit deal with the option to Remain on the ballot.
- Labour will campaign for Remain in that confirmatory referendum.

## **Glasgow Southside**

Notes:

The Conservative Party is determined to rip the UK out of the EU on October 31, deal or no deal.

Labour must oppose the damaging agenda of an unelected Conservative Prime Minister.

Labour must reflect the overwhelming view of Labour members and voters, who want to stay in the EU.

Believes:

There's no 'good' form of Brexit, it's a right wing project and Labour must oppose it.

The prospect of Brexit is already causing huge damage to our communities.

Brexit in any form will deepen the austerity crisis.

EU membership better enables us to tackle the climate crisis.

EU membership guarantees the free movement of people which has brought huge economic and cultural benefits to our country.

The EU is the most successful peace project in the history of Europe.

Resolves

Labour must unequivocally commit to a confirmatory referendum with Remain on the ballot.

Labour must campaign to stay in the EU in that referendum.

If a General Election is held prior to the UK leaving the EU, our manifesto must include a commitment to a confirmatory referendum with Remain on the ballot.

The manifesto must commit to accepting the result of the referendum. If Leave wins, the manifesto must also commit to negotiate a close ongoing relationship, based on a Customs Union and key elements of the Single Market.

If a General Election is held after the UK leaves the EU, then Labour's first priority must be to negotiate a close ongoing relationship based on a Customs Union and key elements of the single market.

**Hazel Grove**

Conference notes the vast majority of Labour members oppose Brexit. Our policy must reflect members' overwhelming support for a public vote.

We support Labour going into a general election with a clear Brexit policy.

If we leave the EU, Brexit does not end. We face years of negotiations and neoliberal trade deals. Any form of Brexit threatens jobs, workers' rights, migrants, the NHS, public services and the environment, and makes it harder to deliver a radical manifesto.

Brexit is part of a right-wing nationalist exploitation of global economic and social crisis.

We will challenge the narratives of the far right, addressing the reasons people voted Leave. We will attack poverty, insecurity and inequality; rebuild communities with public investment and ownership; boost wages and union rights; and combat the climate crisis. We will defend free movement and extend migrants' rights.

The Leave vote is three years old. What was meant by Leave was never clear. There is no mandate for any Brexit settlement. Democracy demands the people have a final say.

Labour will campaign energetically for a public vote and to Remain. We support revoking Article 50 if necessary, to prevent No Deal.

Capitalism is transnational; we need transnational institutions and workers' movements to challenge it. We will build cross-border alliances to transform Europe with socialist policies, starting with a Green New Deal, levelling up of wages and rights, and ending Fortress Europe. Labour will convene an international conference of left parties, unions and social movements to coordinate this struggle.

**Hertsmere**

Conference notes that:

- The current Brexit paralysis constitutes an unprecedented national emergency threatening the security, prosperity and integrity of the United Kingdom,
- Labour is a Remain party to our core, pledged to fight for the internationalist values that are central to our history. Britain's place is inside the European Union; the most successful peace project in European history,
- Labour must reflect the overwhelming view of its members and voters, who want to stay in the EU,
- Labour will do all in our power to oppose Brexit, however it is presented to the British people. There's no 'good' form of Brexit; it's a right-wing project and Labour must oppose it.

Conference resolves to:

- Wholeheartedly opposes Brexit in all circumstances, without qualification,
- Campaign with the Labour movement to remain inside the EU,
- Reach out to other likeminded parties to oppose Brexit and to create a strong, cohesive Remain campaign, in or out of a general election,
- Support a government of national unity, if necessary,
- Back the efforts of our representatives in Parliament, on Councils and in the European Parliament to remain inside the European Union,
- As a priority, address the issues that made people vote Leave.

## **Holborn and St Pancras**

The peace and prosperity Northern Ireland enjoys thanks to the Good Friday Agreement is only strengthened by the UK and Ireland being members of the European Union.

The Good Friday Agreement was secured in an informed referendum, with 71% of people in Northern Ireland and 94% in the Republic of Ireland voting in favour.

There is now overwhelming support in Northern Ireland for a 'final say' referendum.

Conference believes:

Leaving the EU threaten jobs, living standards, citizens' rights, and the environment.

That there is no better deal than the one we have now with both islands in the European Union.

There are no workable technological solutions to ensure a fully open, invisible border, as it is today.

The Tories 'Alternative Arrangements' for the border are another Brexit unicorn.

If we were to leave, the so-called backstop is a vital insurance policy ensuring no hard border in Ireland

unless and until the principles of the Good Friday Agreement are provided for in any future UK-EU relationship.

Conference resolves:

To oppose any Brexit that would see any border for goods, services or people on the island of Ireland.

To show solidarity with the people of Northern Ireland and protect the Good Friday Agreement by opposing any Brexit deal and make campaigning to remain in the EU a manifesto commitment.

If there is a proposed Brexit deal, to secure a fair, democratic and informed confirmatory vote with Labour supporting the option to Remain

### **Labour Party Irish Society**

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The Leave vote is three years old. What was meant by Leave was never clear. There is no mandate for any Brexit settlement. Democracy demands the people have a final say.

Labour supports a public vote on any deal agreed with the EU, giving people a final say between leaving on negotiated terms or staying in the EU.'

### **Leeds North West**

Conference applauds Jeremy Corbyn's successful efforts to hold the Tories to account for their disastrous handling of Brexit – defeating their flagship legislation on three occasions, by historic margins.

Conference also recognises the difficult European election results in which opinion polarised, squeezing not only the Tories, but also Labour's vote.

Conference commends the Party's message of unity. Whilst other parties have exacerbated polarisation, defining everyone by how they voted in the 2016 EU Referendum, Labour has tried to reach across the divide. It is a difficult navigation, but the right one.

Conference believes that our mission is to bring the country together behind radical economic policies that unite the many against the entrenched power of the few. A public vote is a potential means to achieve this,

not an end in itself.

Conference emphasises that the Brexit debate is not taking place in a vacuum. Any campaign on our future relationship with the EU must prioritise tackling the underlying economic conditions that gave rise to the referendum result in the first place.

Conference believes that the best outcome for the country is an immediate General Election that can sweep the Tories from power.

Conference believes that any public vote must contain credible options for people who voted Leave and Remain.

Conference further believes that any option supported in a public vote must be underpinned by a commitment to radical change, not continuity. Only a transformative socialist agenda will see us through a crisis that has overshadowed UK politics for three years.

### **Liverpool Walton**

"Conference notes the grave danger of a damaging No Deal Brexit or Hard-Brexit being imposed by the Johnson government, that would lead to job losses, reductions in living standards and workers' rights, plus cuts in environmental and consumer protections, and a harmful trade deal with the US that would threaten the NHS.

Conference reaffirms its commitment to the approach that prioritises: the defence of people's living standards and jobs; the maintenance of access to EU markets, with at a minimum a customs union; the protection of people's rights; and no hard border on the island of Ireland.

Conference endorses Jeremy Corbyn's leading role in assembling a cross party alliance of MPs to defeat Johnson's Brexit agenda. We welcome the many recent defeats that MPs have inflicted on the government in the House of Commons including legislating against a No Deal Brexit before 31 October.

Conference supports the party leadership continuing to prioritise the fight to block a No Deal Brexit/Hard-Brexit, using all necessary and available means, including moving a Vote of No Confidence in the Government, fighting for a general election and supporting a public vote on the terms of any departure from the European Union.

Whatever Brexit plan the government comes up with, it should have the confidence to go back to the people on a deal agreed by parliament.

At all times Labour will seek to overcome division and build maximum consensus around policies for the many, not the few.

### **Mid Bedfordshire**

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- After nine years of austerity imposed by Tories and Lib Dems, our public services are under terrible strain – Brexit in any form will deepen the crisis
- That Newcastle and the North East will be more harshly impacted under any form of Brexit
- EU membership better enables us to tackle the climate crisis, as members we can lead the campaign for a Green New Deal across 28 countries and a population of 500 million
- The EU is the most successful peace project in the history of Europe
- The only way to resolve Brexit is through a confirmatory referendum with an option to stay in the EU

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- Labour must campaign to stay in the EU in that referendum
- If a General Election is held, our manifesto must include a commitment to a confirmatory referendum with Remain on the ballot

## **Newcastle Upon Tyne North**

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Whatever Brexit plan the new Tory leader comes up with, after three long years of failure they should have the confidence to go back to the people on a deal agreed by parliament.

At all times Labour will seek to overcome division and build maximum consensus around policies for the many, not the few.

## **North West Norfolk**

Conference notes the vast majority of Labour members oppose Brexit. Our policy must reflect members' support for a public vote.

Conference also notes that Ireland North and South will pay a heavy price for Brexit, both economically and politically with a real threat to the Peace Process.

We support Jeremy Corbyn's efforts to prevent a No Deal Brexit. We support the position that any Tory deal should be subject to a public vote and that Labour and that Labour would campaign for Remain.

If we leave the EU we face years of negotiations and neo-liberal trade deals. Any form of Brexit threatens jobs, workers' rights, migrants, the NHS, public services and the environment, and makes it harder to deliver a radical manifesto.

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We will challenge the narratives of the far-right addressing the reasons people voted Leave. We will attack poverty, insecurity and inequality, rebuild communities with public investment and ownership, boost wages and union rights, and combat the climate crisis. We will defend free movement and extend migrants' rights.

The Leave vote is three years old. What was meant by Leave was never clear. Democracy demands the people have a final say.

Capitalism is transnational, we need institutions and workers' movements to challenge it. We will build cross-border alliances to transform Europe with socialist policies, starting with a Green New Deal.

Labour will convene an international conference of left parties, unions and social movements to coordinate this struggle.

## **Northern Ireland**

Conference notes we are proud that the Welsh Government, under Mark Drakeford, has taken the lead in supporting a final say on any Brexit proposal. The Conservative Party is determined to rip the UK out of the EU on October 31st, whatever the cost. Labour must oppose the damaging agenda of an unelected Conservative Prime Minister and provide a clear and unambiguous alternative. The only way to resolve Brexit is a confirmatory referendum with an option to stay in the EU. Conference believes the prospect of Brexit is already causing huge damage to our communities, with devastating job losses at British Steel and Honda, and most recently Bridgend. After nine years of Conservative government, our public services are under terrible strain – Brexit in any form will deepen the crisis. It is now clear that an alternative form of Brexit that could meet the tests previously set about by Labour and the trade union movement cannot be delivered. Conference further believes membership of the EU guarantees minimum workers' rights and the free movement of people, which has brought huge economic and cultural benefits to our country and better enables us to tackle the climate crisis. The EU is the most successful peace project in the history of Europe. Conference resolves Labour is unequivocally committed to a confirmatory referendum on any form of Brexit with the option of staying in the EU on the ballot. Labour will now throw the full weight of our movement behind efforts to secure a confirmatory vote.

## **Ogmore**

Conference notes: Most Labour members and voters intensely oppose Brexit. Our policy must reflect members' overwhelming support for a public vote.

We cannot enter a general election without a clear Europe policy.

Brexit is merely a forerunner to a decade of tortuous trade negotiations, inhibiting all areas of domestic policy. Jobs, workers' rights, migrants, NHS, public services, environment will all be adversely affected, hindering any future Labour Government delivering progressive manifesto policies ending damaging Conservative austerity.

Labour's unequivocal argument must be: "No form of Brexit is in the national interest". In any public vote or General election, we must argue to remain within the EU, revoking Article 50.

We must campaign to promote the positive benefits of EU membership, challenging far-right narratives, addressing Leave voters' concerns, attacking poverty, insecurity, inequality; rebuilding communities with public investment; boosting wages, union rights; and combatting the climate emergency.

Only within the EU, can we argue for progressive reform and increased transparency, demonstrating economic and social benefits membership brings. Cross-border alliances, with our sister parties will curtail far-right nationalist parties' influence.

Achieving these objectives will ensure continuation of Labour's proud, historic, internationalist traditions.

Labour must unequivocally:

Commit to a confirmatory referendum with Remain on the ballot;

Campaign to stay in the EU in any referendum;

Promise a General Election manifesto commitment to a referendum, with Remain on the ballot, to achieve these ends.

## **Orpington**

Conference notes the vast majority of Labour members and voters oppose Brexit. Our policy must reflect members' overwhelming support for a public vote.

We cannot go into a general election without a clear Brexit policy.

If we leave the EU, Brexit does not end. We face years of negotiations and neoliberal trade deals. Any form of Brexit threatens jobs, workers' rights, migrants, the NHS, public services and the environment, and makes it harder to deliver a radical manifesto.

Brexit is part of a right-wing nationalist exploitation of global economic and social crisis.

We will challenge the narratives of the far right, addressing the reasons people voted Leave. We will attack poverty, insecurity and inequality; rebuild communities with public investment and ownership; boost wages and union rights; and combat the climate crisis. We will defend free movement and extend migrants' rights.

The Leave vote is three years old. What was meant by Leave was never clear. There is no mandate for any Brexit settlement. Democracy demands the people have a final say.

Labour supports a public vote on any deal agreed with the EU, giving people a final say between leaving on whatever terms or staying in the EU.

### **Plymouth Sutton and Devonport**

This notes that most Labour members and Labour voters across the UK oppose Brexit.

We must go into a general election with a clear policy to prevent "No-Deal". We believe that any Brexit Deal must be put to a public vote/referendum.

The Tory form of Brexit threatens jobs, workers' rights, migrants, the NHS, public services and the environment, and makes it harder to deliver Labour's Manifesto.

We will challenge the narratives of the right, addressing the reasons people voted Leave. We will attack poverty, insecurity and inequality; rebuild communities with public investment and ownership; boost wages and union rights; and combat the climate crisis.

We will defend free movement and extend migrants' rights.

Labour must support a confirmatory vote on any Brexit outcome, ensuring that voters have a clear choice between leaving on negotiated terms or staying in the EU.

Labour will campaign for Remain in any public vote, not to defend the status quo, but as the basis for a programme of radical transformation of the UK, Europe, and the planet.

We call upon Conference to support this motion.

### **Preseli Pembrokeshire**

Putney Labour is in favour of Remain. Conference notes the majority of Labour members and voters oppose Brexit. Our policy must reflect this. We cannot go into a general election without a clear Brexit Policy. Any form of Brexit threatens jobs, worked and human rights, refugees and migrants, the NHS, public services, the environment and security. These threats will continue for years of negotiations which would necessarily follow.

Our policy needs to protect us from the above threats and address the reasons some people voted leave.

The leave vote is three years old. What was meant by leave was never clear. There is no mandate for any Brexit Settlement. Democracy demands the people have a final say.

Labour supports a confirmatory public vote on any deal. Labour supports revoking article 50 to prevent no deal in the absence of a 2nd referendum. Labour will campaign unambiguously to Remain in and help reform the EU.

### **Putney**

Conference notes:

- The Conservative Party has mired this country in Brexit chaos, following a referendum in which it was unclear exactly what kind of Brexit people were voting for.

- This government has no way of breaking the deadlock, and as 31 October approaches, a catastrophic no deal Brexit becomes more and more likely
- Labour has a duty to commit to ending this deadlock by putting Brexit back to the people, in a confirmatory referendum which has the option to remain on the ballot.

Conference believes:

- All forms of Brexit will be harmful to international cooperation, workers, migrants, and action on climate change.
- The uncertainty around Brexit is already causing problems for key industries, such as manufacturing, and British industry will be harmed by any form of Brexit.
- Freedom of movement within the European Union has strengthened our culture, economy, our communities, and our public services – we should fight to protect it.
- Cooperation with the European Union – on areas such as climate change, workers' rights and regulating large multinationals – is essential, and the best way to cooperate is via remaining a member of the European Union.

Conference resolves:

- Labour must fully commit to a confirmatory referendum on Brexit with the option to Remain on the ballot.
- Labour must campaign for Remain in that referendum.

**Reigate**

Conference notes:

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Conference believes:

Labour must oppose the damaging agenda of an unelected Conservative Prime Minister;

Labour must reflect the overwhelming view of its members and voters, who want to stay in the EU;

The EU is the most successful peace project in the history of Europe;

There's no 'good' form of Brexit, it's a right wing project and Labour must oppose it;

The prospect of Brexit has already caused huge damage with devastating job losses at Honda, Nissan and many more;

After nine years of austerity, our public services are under terrible strain – Brexit in any form will deepen the crisis and put the NHS at risk of being part of a trade deal with the USA;

EU membership better enables us to tackle the climate crisis, as members we can lead the campaign for a Green New Deal across 28 countries;

EU membership guarantees the free movement of people which has brought huge economic and cultural benefits to our country;

The only way to resolve Brexit is through a confirmatory referendum with an option to stay in the EU.

Conference resolves:

Labour must unequivocally commit to a confirmatory referendum with Remain on the ballot;

Labour must campaign to stay in the EU in that referendum;

If a General Election is held, the Labour manifesto must include a commitment to a confirmatory referendum with Remain on the ballot.

### **Richmond Park**

Conference notes the grave danger of a damaging No Deal Brexit or Hard Brexit, under the new Tory Prime Minister, that would lead to job losses, reductions in living standards and workers' rights, plus cuts in environmental and consumer protections, and a harmful trade deal with the US that would threaten the NHS.

Conference congratulates our party leadership and the PLP for voting in

Parliament: to stop Theresa May's deal; against a No Deal exit; for a Customs Union; for alignment with the Single Market; and for a public vote – in line with the policy agreed by the 2018 Labour Party Conference.

Conference this year reaffirms its commitment to an approach that prioritises: the defence of people's living standards and jobs; the maintenance of access to EU markets, with at a minimum a customs union; the protection of people's rights; and no hard border on the island of Ireland.

Conference therefore agrees that the party must continue to fight to block a No Deal Brexit/Hard-Brexit, using all necessary and available means, including fighting for a general election and supporting a public vote on the terms of any departure from the European Union.

Whatever Brexit plan the new Tory leader comes up with, after three long years of failure they should have the confidence to go back to the people on a deal agreed by parliament.

At all times Labour will seek to overcome division and build maximum consensus around policies for the many, not the few.

### **Rosendale and Darwen**

Conference believes that Labour is the only party that can heal the harmful divisions in our communities and thus be able to move on and address the horrendous societal problems that face us, especially those caused by ten years of austerity ruthlessly imposed on the disadvantaged by the Tory's and Lib Dems.

This means finding a way forward that the majority can live with, rather than increasing the harmful divisions, which were given full reign in the euro elections by the extremes of 'No Deal Farage' and 'Stop Brexit Cable.' That is the politics of bitterness and division – dividing all those who should be standing together against the destruction being wrought by austerity.

It is the politics of 'divide and rule'; the politics of avoiding addressing the fundamental problems in society. Labour has always, and will always, reject such politics. We want 'the many' to come together and address the injustices and inequalities presided over by the 'few.'

Our party leader has made our unifying approach abundantly clear, despite the desperate efforts of the

hostile press and media to muddy the waters.

This therefore calls:

On the NEC and the PLP to give full support to this positive and progressive approach and not be beguiled into the very negative and harmful approach of disregarding the views of half the population and millions of Labour voters.

## **Rotherham**

Conference notes the vast majority of Labour members and voters oppose Brexit. Any form of Brexit threatens the climate and eco-justice, jobs, workers' and migrants' rights, the NHS and public services.

The referendum is three years old. What was meant by Leave was never clear. Any Brexit settlement must require a fresh mandate via a new public confirmatory vote and any result will be acted on promptly. In such a vote, Labour will campaign energetically to Remain. In the absence of a confirmatory vote we support revoking Article 50, to prevent No Deal.

It is reasonable for voters to be frustrated and dismayed when they vote for something and it is not delivered; so, recognising that many would remain frustrated with any outcome, we will address the reasons people voted Leave.

We will act on the climate crisis with green investment, defend free movement and extend migrants' rights. We will attack poverty, lack of affordable housing, insecurity and inequality; rebuild communities with public investment and ownership; boost wages and union rights. We will act in the interests of the many not the few.

## **Saffron Walden**

Conference notes that the vast majority of Labour members and voters oppose Brexit. We cannot go into a general election without a clear Brexit policy. Our policy must reflect members' overwhelming support for a public vote.

Brexit is part of a right-wing nationalist exploitation of global economic and social crisis. If we leave the EU, Brexit does not end. We would face years of negotiations and neoliberal trade deals. Any form of Brexit threatens jobs, workers' rights, migrants, the NHS, public services and the environment, and makes it harder to deliver a radical manifesto.

Instead of backing Brexit and the harm it would cause, we will challenge the narratives of the far right, addressing the reasons people voted Leave. We will attack poverty, insecurity and inequality; rebuild communities with public investment and ownership; boost wages and union rights; and combat the climate crisis. We will defend free movement and extend migrants' rights.

The Leave vote is three years old. What was meant by Leave was never clear. There is no mandate for any Brexit settlement. Democracy demands the people have the chance to pass verdict on the Tories' failed negotiations.

Labour supports a confirmatory vote on any Brexit outcome, ensuring that voters have a clear choice between leaving on negotiated terms or staying in the EU.

Labour will campaign for Remain in any public vote – not to defend the status quo, but as the basis for a radical transformation of the UK and European economies.

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Labour will campaign energetically for a public vote and to Remain. We support revoking article 50 if necessary to prevent no deal.

### **South West Norfolk**

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### **South West Surrey**

Stratford-on-Avon believes that the real division in society is not between Leavers and Remainers, but between the many and the few. Brexit is poisoning politics and stopping us from addressing the issues that matter to people. We need a general election to deliver a radical Labour Government. If the UK leaves the EU, Brexit does not end. Instead we face years of negotiations and trade deals that deregulate our economy, making it much harder to deliver our radical manifesto. Brexit is a Tory project and Labour opposes it. It would mean a victory for the nationalist right, and a threat to our rights, jobs, NHS, public services and the fight against climate change.

We will answer insecurity and exploitation with hope and solidarity to bring the country together. We will rebuild communities with investment, expand common ownership, boost wages and union rights and challenge the narratives of the nationalist right. Free movement is a workers' right which we will defend.

The Leave vote is more than three years old, and there is no clear mandate for any Brexit settlement. The democratic imperative now is for the people to have the final say. Labour will back Remain in the public vote. We will campaign for a Europe-wide Green New Deal, levelling up of wages, democratising European institutions, ending Fortress Europe, and an international strategy to tax the rich and corporations.

### **Stratford-On-Avon**

This calls on the National Policy Forum to make it Labour Party policy to:

- a) mandate a people's vote on Brexit before any deal is ratified, to include the option to remain;
- b) campaign for Britain to remain in the EU;
- c) ensure any Brexit deal fulfils the six economic tests which are already Labour Party policy.

### **Suffolk Coastal**

Conference notes that:

The Conservatives and their allies in the Brexit and UKIP parties are determined to take the UK out of the EU with or without a withdrawal agreement

The consequences for the British people, and particularly those on low incomes, will be extremely damaging

The large majority of Labour members support calls for a confirmatory referendum on any deal with an option to stay in the EU

Conference resolves that:

Labour must unequivocally and without further delay commit to a confirmatory referendum on any deal to leave the EU with Remain on the ballot

Labour must show leadership in campaigning to stay in the EU in that referendum

If a General Election is called, Labour's manifesto must include a commitment to a confirmatory referendum with Remain on the ballot.

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**Tooting**

Conference:

Notes

- The Conservative Party is determined to rip the UK out of the EU on October 31, deal or no deal
- Labour opposes the damaging agenda of an unelected Conservative Prime Minister
- Labour must reflect the overwhelming view of its members and voters, who want to stay in the EU

Believes

- There's no 'good' form of Brexit, it's a right wing project which Labour opposes
- The prospect of Brexit is already causing huge damage to our communities, with devastating job losses at Honda, Nissan and others
- After nine years of austerity imposed by Tories and Lib Dems, our public services are under terrible strain – Brexit in any form will deepen the crisis
- EU membership better enables us to tackle the climate crisis, as members we can lead the campaign for a Green New Deal across 28 countries and a population of 500 million
- EU membership guarantees free movement of people which has brought economic and cultural benefits to our country and citizens
- The EU is the most successful peace project in the history of Europe
- The only way to resolve Brexit is through a confirmatory referendum with an option to stay in the EU

Resolves

- Labour must unequivocally commit to a confirmatory referendum with Remain on the ballot
- Labour must campaign to stay in the EU in that referendum
- If a General Election is held, our manifesto will include a commitment to remain in the European Union

**Twickenham**

Conference notes most Labour members and voters oppose Brexit. Our policy must reflect members' overwhelming support for a public vote. We cannot go into a general election without a clear Brexit policy.

Brexit does not end with leaving the EU. We face years of negotiations and neoliberal trade deals. Any form of Brexit threatens jobs, workers' rights, migrants, the NHS, public services and the environment, and makes it harder to deliver a radical manifesto.

Brexit is part of a right-wing nationalist exploitation of global economic and social crisis. Capitalism is transnational; we need transnational institutions and workers' movements to challenge it.

The Leave vote is three years old. What was meant by Leave was never clear. There is no mandate for any Brexit settlement. Democracy demands the people have a final say and No Deal Brexit is prevented.

Conference resolves to:

- Challenge the narratives of the far right, addressing the reasons people voted Leave, by: combatting poverty, insecurity, inequality; rebuilding communities with public investment and ownership; boosting wages and union rights; radically tackling the climate crisis; and defending free movement and extending migrants' rights.
- Campaign energetically for Remain in a confirmatory referendum.
- Commit to Remain in Labour's Manifesto.
- Support revoking Article 50 to prevent No Deal Brexit.
- Build cross-border alliances to transform Europe with socialist policies, starting with a Green New Deal, levelling up wages and rights, and ending Fortress Europe.
- Convene an international conference of left parties, unions and social movements to coordinate such efforts.

## **Vauxhall**

Conference notes the Leave vote is three years old, people voted Leave for a variety of reasons, and there is no mandate for any Brexit settlement.

Brexit is part of the growth of right-wing populism internationally, and the project of a hard right government.

Members and supporters are crying out for Labour to lead a vigorous anti-Brexit campaign, one opposing the status quo in the name of "Remain and transform" - transforming both the UK and Europe.

Labour will campaign unambiguously for a public vote and to Remain, in all circumstances. We support revoking Article 50 if necessary to prevent No Deal.

The public appetite is to conclude the Brexit process. We will support a public vote on Brexit in the form of a General Election in which Labour's Manifesto includes a commitment to Remain outright.

When Boris Johnson prorogues Parliament the Labour movement will mobilise to defend democracy.

We oppose the threat of a hard border in Ireland.

We will challenge the right-wing narratives fueling the drive for Brexit with a programme to transform the UK. We will attack poverty and inequality; undertake extensive public investment; boost wages and union rights; and combat the climate crisis starting with a Green New Deal

We will defend and extend free movement and migrants' rights.

We will take a lead in building cross-border alliances to transform Europe.

We support tactical alliances with other parties to stop Brexit and achieve our goals.

## **Walthamstow**

Conference notes the evidence that the vast majority of both Labour members and Labour voters oppose Brexit. The Party must not go into a general election without a clear policy on our relationship with the EU. That policy must reflect members' overwhelming support for a public vote with the party campaigning on a policy of Remain. In the event of a Remain vote in such a referendum, Article 50 should be revoked immediately.

The justification is:

\* the damage to the economy will be considerable, if we are outside the EU, with the current loss to GDP following the referendum being in excess of £360m per week

\* damage to employment rights will be significant, particularly with a right-wing government pursuing social and employment policies with minimum regulation and protection for ordinary people.

\* it is essential that there should be a strong Europe with the UK playing centre stage as a counterpoint to USA, Russia and China

\* a future labour government will have great difficulty in affording the development of more equitable social policies in education, health and other important areas following the damage to the economy post Brexit.

## **Westmorland and Lonsdale**

This Labour Party Conference calls upon The Labour Party to:-

- (1) Oppose a disastrous "No Deal" Brexit by all possible means including revoking Article 50;
- (2) Recognise that there is no longer a viable middle ground between Leave and Remain; and, therefore,
- (3) Campaign for a Final Say referendum in which our party platform will be "Remain and Reform" (whilst respecting the rights of those members who wish to argue a different viewpoint).

## **Wimbledon**

Conference notes the vast majority of Labour members and voters oppose Brexit. Our policy must reflect members' overwhelming support for a public vote. It becomes clearer by the day that any form of Tory Brexit threatens jobs, workers' rights, migrants, the NHS, public services and the environment, and makes it harder to deliver a radical manifesto.

We must not go into a general election without a clear Brexit policy, for a people's vote and with Remain on the ballot paper.

Therefore we commit to addressing the reasons people voted Leave, by challenging the narratives of the far right, replacing them with a socialist vision. We will attack poverty, insecurity and inequality; rebuild communities with public investment and ownership; boost wages and union rights; and combat the climate crisis. We will defend free movement and extend migrants' rights.

The Leave vote is now three years old and it gave no clear mandate for any Tory Brexit settlement. Democracy demands the people have a final say.

Labour will campaign energetically for a public vote and to Remain, because this is in the interests of working people. Therefore we support revoking Article 50, if necessary, to prevent No Deal.

Capitalism is transnational; we need transnational institutions and workers' movements to challenge it. Labour will convene an international conference of left parties, unions and social movements to coordinate the fight to transform the EU by socialist policies, starting with a Green New Deal

### **Wirral West**

This Conference believes that the United Kingdom must remain a full member of the European Union and that there is no version of Brexit that is in the interest of the British people.

This Conference resolves that Labour will:

- i. Vote against any Brexit deal put forward by the government; and
- ii. Take whatever steps are necessary to prevent the government from exiting the EU without a deal.

The days of equivocation and constructive ambiguity on Brexit are over. The Labour Party must be clear where it stands and must now campaign actively for the United Kingdom to remain in the European Union.

### **Wokingham**

A million people marched against Brexit on 23 March, with thousands at the high-profile Left Bloc feeder rally whose sponsors included the new 'Love Socialism Hate Brexit' group of left MPs. More than six million have signed the petition to revoke Article 50.

Brexit will mean a victory for the nationalist right, a licence for further austerity and attacks on migrants. But it can be stopped – if Labour throws itself into the fight.

Labour should actively and publicly campaign for a confirmatory public vote and for 'remain'. We should support the revocation of Article 50 in order to prevent No Deal or give the time necessary to hold a public vote.

We call for an urgent special conference so that members' and affiliates' representatives can clearly decide our policy and plans and orient the party, collectively and democratically. Our opposition to Brexit does not mean supporting the status quo, in Britain or Europe. We want to 'Remain and transform'.

We call for free movement and migrants' rights to be extended, not curtailed: we oppose 'Fortress Britain' and 'Fortress Europe'. We restate conference 2018's call for "a radical government: taxing the rich to fund public services, expanding common ownership, abolishing the anti-union laws and engaging in massive public investment". We want an international alliance of labour movements and left parties seeking, at a minimum, to push back the nationalist right, defend migrants, reverse austerity, level up rights and living standards, and democratise European institutions.

### **Worthing West**

## **BUILDING SOCIETIES**

Conference notes the publication by the Building Society Members Association of its Charter For An Open And Democratically Accountable Building Society Industry".

Conference calls on the Shadow Cabinet and NEC of the Labour Party to endorse the Charter. Furthermore it calls on a new incoming Labour Government to consult all stakeholders, before the drawing up of legislation and regulations to facilitate the changes needed, in order to create an open and democratically accountable building society industry.

**Stourbridge**

## **CLICK TAX**

Conference recognises that the internet giants have become over mighty corporations who do not make a fair contribution to tax or employment and who threaten the existence of the high street through unfair competition. Conference calls on Labour to campaign for the introduction of a tax to level the playing field between bricks and mortar and click retailers and take back control.

Such a tax would be levied on the Internet Service Providers with a clear understanding that they would collect it from the giant corporations and refuse access to the internet in the UK, if they failed to pay. Click tax would be the online equivalent of business rates, helping to defend that highly efficient tax from the massive attack by business interests, who hate it because it is almost impossible to evade or avoid.

Click tax would be levied on the basis of the agglomeration of the audit of internet usage currently kept by ISP's as a result of the Investigatory Powers Act of 2016, which forces ISP's to keep a record of the clicks of all users for the previous 12 months.

It would be levied at rates calculated for different sectors: gambling companies, sales platforms that refuse to collect VAT and retailers being obvious categories. Only internet giants would have to pay click tax since there would be a high threshold before it became chargeable."

**Rochester and Strood**

## **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

It is clear the country cannot withstand any more 'business as usual' and things cannot continue as they are; change must come.

Spiralling inequality, poverty and the spreading 'hire and fire' culture has contributed to fear and anxiety over the future. Businesses' retreating from local communities and offshoring their responsibilities has left a legacy of bitterness and towns fearing they have no future. In jobs such as bus driving and construction Unite found workers' standard weeks are already in excess of 40 hours. Hospitality staff still don't have fair tips.

The Conservatives are threatening a bonfire of our rights using the risk of a 'No Deal' Brexit and its impact- a crisis of their own making - as the excuse. Their pursuit of a US free trade deal with Trump poses further dangers to UK workers.

Only a Jeremy Corbyn led Labour government will bring about the change the country needs.

Conference supports the 2017 manifesto commitments and announcements since on workers' rights, including the Ministry of Employment Rights and Worker Protection Agency, and Labour's wider commitments to build an economy for the many, not the few, to support decent jobs in every community.

Re-shaping our economy must also include ending the 'bandit capitalism' that led to Carillion's collapse and introducing measures that will help change our business culture, ending the dominance of short-term thinking, value extraction and asset stripping, leading instead to business decisions being made in the long term interests of workers and our local communities.

**Unite the Union**

## **DATA**

Conference notes the defeat of the Tory party's efforts to call an opportunist General Election on 9 September 2019, amidst reports of the use of data harvesting in the Brexit referendum and election of Donald Trump.

We are concerned that the forthcoming election could be influenced by the unchecked use of personal data. To protect our democracy Conference believes that Labour should adopt a Technology Policy which enshrines in law protection and respect for citizens data, in particular:

A framework and roadmap for the further development of GDPR within or with the EU.

The separation of platform utilities and commercial participants.

Definitions of Personal Data and Data Harvesting which include social, location, communications and environmental data.

All data gathered and accessed by Social Media applications should be stored on the user's device and not transmitted, or any analysis of such data transmitted to devices outside the control of the individual user.

All users should be offered a meaningful privacy option by default in every technological device and service. Such privacy option must provide for all functional services without subjecting them to Data Harvesting or differential cost.

**Gower**

## **DETENTION CENTRES**

Conference notes:

The UK's "Detention Estate", one of the largest in Europe, comprises over 8 detention centres, including Yarl's Wood.

Alternatives to detention exist. Pilot schemes in 2010-2012 run by Refugee Action/UKBA for single people and families were successful in employing a fully holistic approach.

Violence and mental ill-health faced by detainees is rampant.

11 reported deaths in 2017 (almost all self-inflicted); 2 suicide attempts per day, a 22% rise in suicide between April and June 2018.

Inhumane conditions and cases of rampant racist, sexual and sexist abuse by staff reported at Yarl's Wood.

Work exploitation in Detention Centres is routine, with detainees expected to work for just £1 per hour.

Xenophobia is one of the main sources of contemporary racism, as noted by the Durban Declaration (2001).

Conference believes:

By criminalising migrants, the Conservatives are stoking anti-immigration sentiment to set a far-right policy agenda, which fuels the far-right movement.

An alternative to detention centres that treats migrants with dignity can systematically challenge anti-immigrant sentiment.

A community-based approach to immigration and asylum systems, without detention, encourages social inclusion and promotes human dignity. Those seeking to settle can do so whilst remaining in the country, working within their local communities and receiving legal advice. This promotes wellbeing; combating criminalisation of migrants.

Conference calls on an incoming Labour Government to end the Detention Estate and adopt a community-led response for migrants that challenges xenophobic sentiment and supports the vulnerable.

**Bermondsey and Southwark**  
**Bolton West**  
**Bournemouth East**  
**Croydon Central**  
**Croydon North**  
**Harrow East**  
**Oxford East**

## **DRUGS**

Edinburgh Northern & Leith notes:

There were 4826 drug-related deaths across England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland in 2017, among the highest in Europe

In 2018 there were 1187 drug-related deaths in Scotland alone, 27% more than the previous year

In 2018, Labour peer and former lord chancellor Charles Falconer apologised for his role in the unsuccessful war on drugs and called for the party to commit to legalisation and regulation

That a recent editorial in the British Medical Journal called for drugs to be 'legalised, regulated and taxed'

Edinburgh Northern & Leith believes:

That criminalisation has failed to prevent drug-related deaths, which are at the highest level since records began in 1993, or significantly reduce addiction rates

That addiction and substance abuse should be treated as a public health issue

That legalisation and regulation would reduce HIV infection rates, increase tax revenue and weaken organised crime

Edinburgh Northern & Leith calls on Labour to campaign to:

Repeal the 1971 Misuse of Drugs Act to allow for legalisation, regulation and taxation, as well as the establishment of safe injection sites

Expunge minor offences related to these newly legalised drugs from criminal records

**Edinburgh North & Leith**

The Labour Campaign for Drug Policy Reform recently launched, and is encouraging grassroots Labour members to have a voice on how we approach this complex policy issue.

The campaign is advancing an evidence-based approach to future Labour drug policy, emphasising the need for a fundamental shift from treating personal drug use/ problematic use as a crime, to treating it as a public health issue.

Our current drug laws are 48 year-old, and aren't fit for purpose in 2019. The "War on Drugs" is a war on people, our communities, our families and our friends; it comes with huge human and financial costs. These costs disproportionately affect poorer communities, which Labour has traditionally fought for.

Our current laws do not protect our society. They exacerbate societal issues surrounding: problematic drug use, crime, homelessness, public health, policing and prisons.

The monopolisation of the £5.3Bn illegal drug market by organised criminals, is also a prevalent issue. Our communities are contaminated with violent criminal gangs, whom commit knife crime and shootings, to protect their business.

Reform desperately needs to occur. The Labour party needs to be at the forefront of this policy shift – currently it is not. Our policy must change.

Conference supports:

- A wider discussion within the Labour party about Drug Policy reform, and supports putting Harm Reduction and Public Health approaches, at the core of Labours future policy.
- An evidence-based discussion surrounding UK Cannabis Policy, and to explore policies of Decriminalisation and Legalisation."

**Newbury**

That a future Labour government should:

Immediately carry out a comprehensive review to ensure drugs are treated as a public health issue. This should include exploring innovative approaches taken in their countries such as decriminalising people who use drugs, and strict legal regulation, providing drug consumption rooms, heroin assisted treatment, needle exchanges and diversion programmes. A Labour government should seriously consider all these measures to reduce drug related deaths and harm reduction.

**North Durham**

## **ELECTORAL REGISTRATION**

Conference believes that the combination of a widespread adoption of online connectivity through smartphones, with Labour's proposal for the provision of household broadband as a public utility of right, together affords a vital opportunity to massively expand our democracy.

At present we have an outdated and often exclusionary method of electoral registration and voting. Postal registration too often leaves people, especially the young, unregistered, voting is held on workdays which can bar many working away, on overtime, on shifts or doing extra jobs. This requirement to be present can

also make it difficult for anyone absent from their registered locations such as students or holidaymakers. It excludes all British Citizens living abroad.

The postal vote provides some alternative, but in society with a growing rented sector and an increasingly mobile population, many citizens find themselves excluded from voting. Indeed, the Conservatives are seeking to worsen the system with the introduction of US-style ID requirements. In contrast Labour wants to encourage all citizens to participate in our democracy.

To this end, Conference calls for our next Manifesto to include automatic voter registration for life, and for the option of secure online voting. This to be combined with physical voting at weekends or as a public holiday. Such steps would encourage and facilitate millions more citizens to participate in future elections. The introduction of online participation and voting as a right opens up the possibility of mass direct participation in all key decisions that affect our lives.

**Leeds East**

## **EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS**

Conference notes that the declining amount of the national wealth spent on wages since 1979 has caused social harm and a distorted economy run in the interests of the few. It is unacceptable that 4 million workers experience in-work poverty in the world's sixth richest country. Conference believes that justice at work was one of the principal aims on the foundation of the Labour Party and Labour has done more to advance the cause of workers in the last century than any other political party. As trade union campaigning has shown, too many workers today suffer from unacceptable working conditions and no sector of the economy is immune from exploitation. Conference condemns the poor treatment of workers by Amazon in the UK and across the world. Workers should not be treated like robots or fear leaving work in an ambulance as a result of a dangerous working environment. The rise of automation and the power of global capital mean that workers need an even stronger voice at work backed by effective legal protections and enforcement. Congress believes all Labour's publicly elected representatives should play their part in promoting trade unions and a greater worker voice for the benefit of workplaces, communities and society. Conference wholeheartedly commends the work undertaken by Labour in proposing a new Ministry for Employment Rights. Conference resolves that a Labour government will make improving the world of work a top priority. The economy should serve the people, not the other way around.

**GMB**

Conference believes that workers benefit directly by being members of strong, independent trade unions. Collective organisation of workers gives them the power and the means to protect their rights, improve their terms and conditions and fight against inequality and exploitation. Conference also believes that a strong collective voice of workers, through their trade unions, is crucial to ensuring the eradication of in-work poverty, tackling discrimination and delivering the skills needed to respond to the challenges of automation. Conference welcomes measures outlined in TUC statements on collective bargaining and worker voice. The statement sets out clear priorities around organising and access rights, individual workers' rights to union representation and the right to bargain. Conference is clear that a range of measures will be required to ensure that working people not only have strong rights in the workplace, but can also enforce them and improve upon them through a strong and effective trade union. These measures must include a significant improvement in collective bargaining rights and in the rights of trade unions to recruit and organise in the workplace. Conference therefore resolves that the Labour Party's new Ministry of Employment Rights will:

- Work with the TUC and affiliated unions to design and implement effective structures for collective bargaining.

- Reduce the barriers to workers gaining union recognition, by lowering the thresholds for statutory recognition ballots to 2% of the workforce of 500 members.
- Create new legislation giving trade unions unrestricted access to the workplace.

**USDAW**

## **EQUALITY FOR TRANS AND NON BINARY PEOPLE**

Conference is deeply disturbed by high levels\* of transphobia, discrimination and hate crime against trans and non-binary people.

Conference believes that:

- a) Labour stands for social justice, equality and inclusion.
- b) Justice, equality and inclusion can never be achieved without recognition and solidarity for all minorities, including trans and non-binary people.
- c) Trans men are men, and trans women are women.
- d) Denying a person recognition for their self-declared gender, including being of no gender, is abusive, oppressive and discriminatory.
- e) Our parliaments and councils must be inclusive of all. Trans and non-binary people must have equal access with people of other genders to participate in society, including standing for public office.

Conference resolves that:

- a) British law must treat hate crimes based on gender identity as aggravated offences, consistent with other hate crimes.
- b) Police, prosecution services, the judiciary and all public servants should receive training and guidance on transphobic hate crimes and discrimination.
- c) Education is required to stop the spreading of abuse around self-identification, and protect the rights of trans and non-binary people.
- d) Trans and non-binary people must be encouraged to participate in public life and stand for election to public office.

Labour is proud to have zero-tolerance of abuse of minorities within our party and society. This must include transgender and non-binary people. Any exclusion of self-identifying trans people undermines our Labour aims and values as the party of social justice and equality.

**Brighton, Pavilion**

## **ETHICAL FOREIGN POLICY**

Conference notes:

Recent actions by US and Israeli administrations are destroying prospects for peace in Palestine - by recognising Jerusalem as Israel's capital, stopping funding to UNRWA for Palestinian refugees, the continuing siege of Gaza, expanding illegal settlements and announcing plans to annex illegally large areas of land occupied in 1967. Proposals in Trump's "deal of the century" are a one-sided attempt to impose an unjust outcome destroying Palestinian rights.

Conference believes:

Labour's ethical foreign policy must prioritise Palestinians' rights to freedom, justice and equality, including by applying these principles based on international law to all UK trade with Israel. An internationalist Labour Party has a special responsibility to redress the ongoing injustices against the Palestinian people, denied their right to self-determination during the British Mandate, because of the role Britain played as a colonial power during the 1948 Nakba when Palestinians were forcibly displaced from their homes.

Conference resolves:

1. To oppose any proposed solution for Palestinians, including Trump's 'deal', not based on international law and UN resolutions recognising their collective rights to self-determination and to return to their homes.
2. To adhere to an ethical policy on all UK's trade with Israel, in particular by applying international law on settlements in the occupied Palestinian territories and stopping any arms trade with Israel that is used in violation of the human rights of Palestinians.
3. To work globally for an alliance with progressive sister parties rejecting trade agreements with Israel that fail to recognise the rights of the Palestinians."

**Birkenhead**  
**Hove**  
**South Ribble**  
**St Ives**  
**Wellingborough**

## **FOOD POVERTY**

Conference notes that:

- There is a crisis of hunger in the UK, resulting from the government's austerity policies. As a result, last year the Trussell Trust gave out a record 1.6 million emergency food parcels.
- The UN Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, to which the UK is a signatory, states that 'the right to adequate food is indivisibly linked to the inherent dignity of the human person and is indispensable for the fulfilment of other human rights enshrined in the International Bill of Human Rights'. It further affirms that 'states have a core obligation to take the necessary action to mitigate and alleviate hunger'.
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Conference believes that:

- By its failure to respond to food poverty, the UK government has breached its legal obligations with respect to the right to food affirmed by the United Nations.

- Food banks should not be treated as a substitute for the welfare safety net, nor allowed to become part of the welfare system. Food waste is not the solution for food poverty.
- Food poverty is a public health emergency that requires an urgent targeted response from government.

Conference therefore calls upon the Labour Party to prepare a comprehensive strategy on food poverty so that the next Labour government will be able to tackle hunger immediately on taking office.

**Bath**

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**Scarborough and Whitby**

## **FOREIGN NATIONAL WORKERS**

Conference notes:

- In 2018 there were 38,000 foreign national workers in UK mining, energy and water supply – 27,000 from the EU and 11,000 Non-EU.
- UK Civil Service Nationality Rules restrict alien nationals from civil service employment, alien defined as non-British, non-Irish and non-Commonwealth.
- Non-Irish Europeans are exempted by the European Community Treaty.
- With utilities re-nationalisation under the next Labour government, those rules will apply in part or in full.
- Without further action, this puts at risk the livelihoods and rights of thousands of workers.

- Under a No Deal Brexit, would apply to thousands more from the EU.
- All that can be avoided through clear policy that renationalised companies will operate like the NHS – no nationality rules, open to all workers.

Conference therefore calls on the Labour Party to include in the manifesto a commitment to protect the rights of international workers in the transition to democratic public ownership:

- Recognition of the contribution international workers make across the UK, that their fundamental rights must be protected.
- Commitment to a just transition for all workers in UK utilities brought into democratic public ownership.
- Maintenance of visas and rights to remain, alongside TUPE protections.
- Commitment that Civil Service Nationality Rules will NOT apply to re-nationalised companies."

**Birmingham, Ladywood**

## **GOOD FRIDAY AGREEMENT**

Conference notes:

1. The Good Friday Agreement is now more than 20 years old.
2. The Labour Government, along with many others internationally, played an important role in establishing the Agreement.
3. That many provisions of the Agreement, and others such as the St Andrew's Agreement, have yet to be implemented.
4. The current Labour Leadership has always supported peace, democracy and equality in Ireland.

Conference recognises the importance of the Good Friday Agreement in establishing peace, power-sharing and greater equality. It enshrines the principle that Irish unity can be achieved by consent, and that consent can be tested through a border poll.

Conference further notes:

1. The anti-democratic nature of the agreement between the Tories and the DUP, and the public funds used to secure it.
2. The unwillingness of the Tory government to address the issues that led to the collapse of the Northern Ireland power-sharing Executive.
3. The political impasse created means key inequalities remain in place, including on language rights, citizenship, a woman's right to choose and equal marriage.
4. The undue influence DUP red lines have had in the government's Brexit negotiations.

Conference calls on Labour to continue to support the Good Friday Agreement and to implement it in full. It further calls on Labour to use the mechanisms of the Good Friday Agreement to redress inequalities. Conference resolves that Labour, in line with international law and its moral obligations, will always respect the will of the majority of the Irish people.

**East Ham**

## **GREEN NEW DEAL**

Conference notes:

To prevent the worst effects of climate change, we must keep global temperature rises below 1.5°C. Over 1°C of warming has taken place, causing floods, droughts, heatwaves, pollution, and hundreds of thousands of deaths. The poorest - particularly in the Global South - suffer most. Tackling climate change is thus indivisible from social, racial and economic justice.

Just 100 companies are responsible for the majority of carbon emissions; and the Conservative government is deregulating the fossil fuel industry and cutting support for renewables.

Labour has supported the youth strikes for climate and Extinction Rebellion, pushing the climate emergency up the national agenda. A Green New Deal is now a demand we must make.

Conference therefore calls on the Labour Party to include a Green New Deal in the manifesto: a state-led programme of investment and regulation for the decarbonisation and transformation of our economy that reduces inequality and pursues efforts to keep global average temperature rises below 1.5°C.

This will include:

- Commitment to zero carbon emissions by 2030;
- Rapidly phasing out all fossil fuels;
- Large-scale investment in renewables;
- A just transition to well-paid, unionised, green jobs available for all;
- A green industrial revolution expanding public, democratic ownership as far as necessary for the transformation;
- Green public integrated transport that connects Britain;
- Supporting developing countries' climate transitions by increasing transfers of finance, technology and capacity;
- Assuring everyone's basic rights through the provision of universal services;
- Welcoming climate refugees while taking measures against the displacement of peoples from their homes.

**Altrincham and Sale West**  
**Banbury**  
**Beverley and Holderness**  
**Birmingham, Northfield**  
**Blackpool North and**  
**Cleveleys**  
**Bracknell**  
**Brentwood and Ongar**  
**Brighton, Kemptown**  
**Bristol South**  
**Bristol West**  
**Broadland**

**Camborne and Redruth**  
**Cardiff North**  
**Cardiff West**  
**City of Chester**  
**Clwyd West**  
**Darlington**  
**Filton and Bradley Stoke**  
**Fylde**  
**Glasgow Kelvin**  
**Glasgow Shettleston**  
**Hartlepool**  
**Harwich and North Essex**

**Havant**  
**Henley**  
**Hexham**  
**Heywood and Middleton**  
**Huntingdon**  
**Kenilworth and Southam**  
**Kingswood**  
**Lancaster and Fleetwood**  
**Leeds West**  
**Lewes**  
**Ludlow**  
**Manchester Gorton**

**Meriden**  
**Mid Derbyshire**  
**Mid Worcestershire**  
**Mole Valley**  
**New Forest West**  
**North Shropshire**  
**North West Leicestershire**  
**Northampton South**  
**Oxford West and Abingdon**  
**Peterborough**  
**Portsmouth North**  
**Portsmouth South**  
**Pudsey**  
**Ribble Valley**  
**Sedgefield**  
**Sevenoaks**

**Sleaford and North**  
**Hykeham**  
**South Dorset**  
**South East Cambridgeshire**  
**South Holland and the**  
**Deepings**  
**Southampton, Test**  
**Southend West**  
**South East Cambridgeshire**  
**St Helens South and Whiston**  
**Stoke-On-Trent South**  
**Streatham**  
**Surrey Heath**  
**Swansea West**  
**Tamworth**  
**Tonbridge and Malling**

**Torridge and West Devon**  
**Tottenham**  
**Truro and Falmouth**  
**Uxbridge and South Ruislip**  
**Wantage**  
**Wealden**  
**Wells**  
**Welwyn Hatfield**  
**Weston-Super-Mare**  
**Windsor**  
**Witney**  
**Wolverhampton South West**  
**Worcester**  
**Wythenshawe and Sale East**  
**Ynys Mon**  
**Totnes**

Conference notes:

- Natural gas (plus minor coal) accounts either directly or indirectly (via power generation) for 77% of all heating used in the UK.
- About 50% of all the UKs energy consumption is for heating buildings.
- The UK imports 60+% of the gas used to heat homes and business in the UK (Norway, Qatar, Interconnector). Much of this is not secure supply.
- For the UK to meet the COP21 targets, the UK will need to develop more low carbon heating. There is sufficient energy in water within flooded coalmines in the UK to heat 180 million homes using mine-water geothermal and heat pumps.
- Geothermal energy has a minimal carbon footprint when used domestically, with estimates suggesting its carbon emissions per kilowatt hour, when used for space and water heating, are less than five percent of those produced by a gas boiler<sup>1</sup>.

Conference believes:

- The heat in water in abandoned coalmines has significant potential to be a valuable renewable energy resource.
- Geothermal energy could be well positioned to help alleviate fuel poverty and promote energy security. A large proportion of those in fuel poverty reside in former mining districts.

Conference resolves:

- To include in the next Labour Party manifesto a commitment to the use of mine-water geothermal for all new build social housing in coalfield areas.
- To include in the next Labour Party manifesto a policy to ensure housing developers have to include mine-water geothermal for all their new build houses where possible in coalfield areas.

**Bishop Auckland**

This Conference notes:

to save the climate we need to rapidly transition our energy and land use to avoid greenhouse gas emissions. This has to be done whilst ensuring energy security for industry, affordable warm homes and an effective,

affordable, transport system. The sobering experience of the Energiewende in Germany shows that vast sums can be spent on an attempted energy transition without resulting reductions in greenhouse gas emissions.

This Conference believes:

the full transition to net zero emissions needs to be carefully planned on a national level; adhering to the best available expert advice.

This Conference resolves:

that the policy of a future Labour government should be to commission a comprehensive, national, plan for the full transition to net zero emissions within the shortest practicable timeframe. This planning should make use of the best available expertise. Our political resolve should then be to follow such a plan, with the necessary funding and legislation, within a framework of social justice.

### **High Peak**

According to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, we may only have 11 years left to limit the worst of the climate crisis. However, we could be positive and see it as 11 years in which we could make the required changes and save our beautiful planet. Britain is on the brink; facing multiple economic, social and ecological crises. Our economic system has enriched the 1% while leading everyone towards climate catastrophe and tearing apart the fabric of society through rampant inequality and a deadly austerity programme. We have failed to make the urgent changes needed to protect our natural world, to safeguard us from climate breakdown and to preserve the future.

Poverty and climate are far greater and more urgent challenges than Brexit.

We call on a future Labour Government to: democratise our economy, creating a society of prosperity and abundance while mobilising everything we've got towards total decarbonisation. implement the Paris Climate Agreement, made in 2015 to keep global temperature rises below 2 degrees and show that we can go further and faster and keep rises to below 1.5 degrees. develop alternatives to GDP that takes capital and environmental depreciation into account and shift the power to produce and supply energy to communities. end harmful fossil fuel industry tax breaks and subsidies and invest in cutting edge renewable technology through a new National Investment Bank with full borrowing powers. give local communities the funding and power to control their future, while democratising industry and the economy.

### **Gedling**

Apart from the well known environmental and financial risks to communities posed by nuclear power, nuclear power is now an impediment to tackling climate change. The recent declaration of a climate emergency recognises the urgency required in addressing climate change if we are to avoid reaching a tipping point in the worlds climate beyond which feedback effects will make stopping climate change impossible. New nuclear power plants are much slower to build than renewable sources of energy such as wind and solar and thereby effectively delay action to replace carbon emissions. The climate emergency thereby requires adoption of renewable energy to be prioritised over new nuclear energy.

Renewable energy is considerably cheaper than nuclear power and will become even cheaper as the uptake of renewable energy continues to increase. This means not only can renewables replace carbon emissions faster than nuclear to avoid runaway climate change but more carbon emissions can be replaced per pound invested in renewables than in nuclear power.

Given the above considerations, the case in favour of renewables over nuclear energy is so compelling it is alarming to hear that Labour may be considering government support for new nuclear plants. Carmarthen East & Dinefwr CLP thereby calls upon Labour to rule out support for new nuclear power in accordance to its

commitment to addressing the climate emergency and to commit to support for 100% renewable energy as the best means of achieving the goal of reducing carbon emissions to zero by 2050.

## **Carmarthen East and Dinefwr**

Conference notes:

1. To prevent the worst effects of climate change, we must keep the global temperature increase below 1.5 degrees C.
2. Over 1 degrees C has already occurred, causing floods, droughts, heatwaves, pollution, and thousands of deaths. Tackling climate change is indivisible from social, racial and economic justice.
3. 100 Corporations are responsible for most carbon emissions. The Tory's are deregulating the fossil-fuel industry, while cutting support for renewables.

Conference believes:

Labour should build on support for the climate strikes and Extinction Rebellion, by campaigning for a Socialist Green New Deal – demands for decarbonisation and transformation of the economy, attacking inequality while curbing global warming, based on public ownership, public investment and democratic control.

Conference calls on the next Labour government to implement:

- A target of net-zero UK carbon emissions by 2030.
- Creation of millions of public, well-paid, unionised green jobs.
- Public ownership of energy, expropriating the 'Big Six', creating an integrated, democratic system.
- Large-scale investment in renewables, phasing out fossil fuels.
- Public ownership of transport – expanded, integrated, free or cheaper.
- A public program of manufacturing, installing and training in renewable technologies and eliminating waste.
- Mass insulation, building and retrofitting zero-carbon council housing and public buildings.
- A workers led 'just transition' from high emission jobs to alternatives.
- Investment, guaranteeing communities and living standards.
- Democratic public ownership of banking and finance, providing resources and economic leverage.
- Ending airport expansion.
- Repeal of anti-union laws, so workers can take action over social and political issues, including climate change.

**Dover  
Leicester South  
Liverpool Riverside  
Newark**

Conference believes that:

1. The consequences of global temperature rising above 1.5°C are so severe that preventing this must be humanity's - and therefore Labour's highest political priority.
2. Neo-liberal politics of market forces, individuals and voluntary collaboration is failing and we need to reclaim democratic public sector ownership of industry and services as part of our fight to prevent full-scale climate change catastrophe.
3. Continuing to prioritise growth in GDP is incompatible with ecological limits.

4. For climate action to be effective, it must be part of a fundamental and transformational shift in the balance of power and wealth in favour of working people and their families - confronting legacy of wage stagnation, insecure housing, fuel poverty and poor public transport.
5. Bold climate action can deliver significant improvements in human welfare, new jobs, and social justice and reduced social costs.

Conference resolves to:

1. Declare a Climate Emergency
2. Call for cross-Trade Union collaboration to work with members, communities, NGOs, academics, CACTU and New Lucas Plan to develop just transition plans for a world leading zero carbon economy.
3. Create a National Climate Service embracing energy democracy and a million new public sector climate jobs in sustainable public transport, retrofitting, training, renewable energy, agriculture and waste recycling.
4. Actively campaign against aviation expansion, fracking, new nuclear and promote sustainable national policy for decarbonisation
5. Bring all sectors together to turn the vision of a "Green New Deal" into a positive transformation for a future based on people not profit".

**Hackney North and Stoke Newington  
Hemel Hempstead**

Conference notes:

- 1) Humanity has 12 years to stop catastrophic climate change by keeping global temperature rises below 1.5°C, according to the UN.
- 2) Already 1°C of global warming has taken place, causing floods, droughts, heat waves, rising sea levels and pollution.
- 3) The Tory government's failure to act on climate change – cutting support for green energy, pursuing fracking and failing to tackle air pollution.
- 4) The working class and the poorest people will be the hardest hit by climate change.

Conference supports:

- 1) Millions of school students who have participated in the global climate change strikes. Young Labour must be given adequate resources to take a leading role in this movement.
- 2) Calls for a 'Green New Deal' and a 'just transition' in Britain. This would deliver:

- Massive state investment in renewables and green public transport
- Thousands of new, highly skilled, well-paid green jobs
- Ambitious actions to reduce emissions in building and waste
- Divestment from and the ending of subsidies to fossil fuels

Conference welcomes the Labour Party leadership's commitments on climate change including:

- 1) Pursuing efforts to keep global temperature rises to 1.5°C.
- 2) That the next Labour government will aim to decarbonise the economy with a target of net zero emissions by 2050.
- 3) Labour's manifesto pledges to clean up illegal levels of air pollution and to ban fracking.
- 4) Labour's industrial strategy: for 60% of energy to come from low carbon or renewables by 2030 – this plan would create thousands of green jobs.

Conference notes the IPBES 2019 Global Assessment Report on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services, on the global and generational threat to human well-being from loss of species, ecosystems and genetic diversity.

Conference recognises that human beings are totally dependent on the natural environment for food, clean water and clean air. As well as providing these ecosystem services, the natural environment is an important resource for mental and physical health and well-being. Much of current human activity is hugely damaging to wildlife. Urgent action is needed to protect and enhance biodiversity and the natural environment, by maintaining and extending vital habitats, extensive reforestation, soil recovery, rewilding, stopping harmful fishing practices and reduction of waste, pollution and other impacts.

Conference therefore resolves to put the environment at the heart of the election manifesto including through:

- similar legislation to the Well Being of Future Generations (Wales) Act;
- work with TUs and with other groups to develop specific policies and objectives that will deliver on biodiversity goals;
- fiscal and funding measures, and further legislation to encourage sustainable food production and environmentally beneficial land use;
- reinstatement of the powers and the means whereby the appropriate agencies can fully monitor the environment and enforce legislation;
- commitment of financial resources needed to deliver the changes required;
- improvement of public understanding concerning the dangers posed by environmental collapse;
- encouragement of members to lead and support activities to defend the environment, and to work with communities to play their part in the transformative changes required.

**Arfon**

This conference declares a climate emergency following the cross party Local Government Association declaring a climate emergency at their Annual Conference.

Conference welcomes more than 200 councils that have passed motions declaring a climate emergency. Conference calls on Labour elected representatives at all levels to ensure that all is done to tackle climate change through their positions of influence.

Furthermore, the Labour Party commits to actively work towards having carbon neutral campaigning.

Any future national Labour manifesto will have a specific reference on how the climate emergency will be considered in all aspects of its policy making.

To ensure the urgent action which is required in order to avoid runaway global warming and climate breakdown will take collective effort and innovations from individuals, communities, councils, government and cross border organisations.

After a decade of austerity we have seen local government finance decimated with Tory controlled Northamptonshire County Council effectively going bankrupt and other councils at risk.

Local Government has a vital role to play in this global challenge from building sustainable council housing to improving air quality, ensuring recycling levels to stopping the use of herbicides in valued greenspaces and much more.

This is alongside practical changes in areas such as procurement with the banning of single use plastics.

It is recognised that a future Labour Government will rapidly improve the financial settlement for local government but it will still take time to rebuild and recruit technical officers who can implement these important changes to create cleaner, greener communities.

### **Association of Labour Councillors**

Conference believes Labour should campaign for a Socialist Green New Deal. Decarbonisation could produce thousands of well-paid, skilled jobs in renewables and the supply chain. This will be based on public ownership and democratic control.

Conference calls on Labour to implement:

- The cost of decarbonisation must be borne by the wealthiest not the poorest, through progressive taxation.
- No company registered in a tax haven should receive public subsidies and a register of all companies in receipt of public money should be published.
- Energy construction contracts in the UK are legally required to include local labour clauses in those contracts.
- Investment in skills to meet our needs now and in future.
- Companies in receipt of subsidies, contractors and sub-contractors, covered by a national recognition and collective bargaining agreement.
- Companies in receipt of public subsidy must report information on the output and performance of renewable energy facilities to ensure delivery of secure, reliable, cost-effective energy.
- Public ownership of energy, creating an integrated, democratic system; public ownership of the Big Six.
- Public ownership of transport – expanded, integrated, free or cheaper.
- Public programme for manufacturing, installing and training in renewable technologies.
- Building and retrofitting of zero-carbon council housing and public buildings.
- A workers-led 'just transition' from high-emission jobs to alternatives; public investment guaranteeing communities and living standards.
- Democratic public ownership of banking and finance, providing resources and economic leverage.
- Support for developing countries' climate transitions, transferring finance, technology and capacity.
- Legislation empowering workers to take action over political and social issues including climate change.

**BFAWU**

Conference notes:

To prevent the worst effects of climate change, we must keep global temperature rises below 1.5°C.

Over 1°C of warming has taken place, causing floods, droughts, heatwaves, pollution, and hundreds of thousands of deaths. The poorest - particularly in the Global South - suffer most. Tackling climate change is thus indivisible from social, racial and economic justice.

Just 100 companies are responsible for the majority of carbon emissions; and the Conservative government is deregulating the fossil fuel industry and cutting support for renewables.

Labour supported Extinction Rebellion, pushing the climate emergency up the national agenda. Green New Deal is now an essential demand.

Conference therefore calls on the Labour Party to include a Green New Deal in the manifesto: a state-led programme of investment and regulation for the decarbonisation and transformation of our economy that reduces inequality and pursues efforts to keep global average temperature rises below 1.5°C.

This will include:

Commitment to zero carbon emissions by 2030;

Rapidly phasing out all fossil fuels;

Large-scale investment in renewables;

A just transition to well-paid, unionised, green jobs available for all;

A green industrial revolution expanding public, democratic ownership as far as necessary for the transformation;

Green public integrated transport that connects Britain \*AND sustainable, energy-efficient social-housing;

Supporting developing countries' climate transitions by increasing transfers of finance, technology and capacity;

Assuring everyone's basic rights through the provision of universal services;

Welcoming climate refugees while taking measures against the displacement of peoples from their homes.

## **Bristol North West**

Conference notes:

1. Preventing the worst effects of climate change necessitates keeping global temperature increase below 1.5°C.
2. Over 1°C has taken place, causing deaths and natural disaster with the poorest – particularly the Global South – suffer most. Tackling climate change is indivisible from social, racial and economic justice.
3. 100 companies are overwhelmingly responsible for carbon emissions; Tories promote and deregulate fossil-fuel industries while cutting support for renewables.

Conference believes:

Building on recent activism (climate strikes; Extinction Rebellion), Labour should campaign for a Socialist Green New Deal - demanding democratically controlled decarbonisation and transformation of the economy; reducing inequality while curbing global warming.

Conference calls on the next Labour government to implement:

- A target of net-zero UK carbon emissions by 2030.
- Democratic, accountable, public ownership of:
- Banking and finance - providing resources and economic leverage.
- Energy – investing in renewables, phasing out fossil fuels; expropriating the Big Six.
- Transport – expanded, integrated, free or cheaper, ending airport expansion.
- A public programme of manufacturing and training in renewable technologies and waste-elimination; mass building, insulation, and retrofitting of zero-carbon council housing and public buildings.

- A workers-led 'just transition' from high-emission jobs to alternatives; public investment guaranteeing communities and living standards; creation of millions of public, well-paid, unionised green jobs.
- Repeal anti-union laws, facilitating worker-led activism over social and political issues, including climate change.
- Welcoming climate refugees while taking measures against the displacement of people from their homes and supporting developing countries' climate transitions by increasing transfers of finance, technology and capacity.

## **Broxtowe**

Conference calls on the Labour Party to include a Green New Deal in the manifesto: a state-led programme of investment and regulation for the decarbonisation and transformation of our economy that reduces inequality and pursues efforts to keep global average temperature rises below 1.5°C.

## **Buckingham**

Conference notes:

1. To mitigate climate change, we must keep the global temperature increase below 1.5°C.
2. Over 1°C has already occurred, causing floods, droughts, heatwaves, pollution, and hundreds of thousands of deaths. Tackling climate change is indivisible from social, economic and racial justice.
3. 100 corporations are responsible for the majority of emissions. The Tories are deregulating fossil-fuel industry while cutting support for renewables.

Conference believes:

1. Labour should build on support for climate strikes and Extinction Rebellion by campaigning for a Socialist Green New Deal – demands for decarbonisation and economic transformation that attack inequality and curb global warming, with public ownership, public investment and democratic control.

Conference calls on Labour in government to implement:

- A target of net-zero carbon emissions by 2030.
- Creation of millions of public, well-paid, unionised green jobs.
- Public ownership of energy, creating an integrated, democratic system; expropriate the Big Six. Large-scale investment in renewables, phasing out fossil fuels.
- Public ownership of transport – expanded, integrated, free or cheaper.
- A public programme manufacturing, installing and training in renewable technologies and eliminating waste. Mass insulation, building and retrofitting zero-carbon council housing and public buildings.
- A workers'-led 'just transition' from high-emission jobs to alternatives; public investment guaranteeing communities and living standards.
- Democratic public ownership of banking and finance, providing resources and economic leverage.
- Ending airport expansion.
- Support for developing countries' climate transitions, transferring finance, technology and capacity.
- Repealing all anti-union laws, so workers can take action over political and social issues including climate change.
- Work with similar-oriented organisations

## **Charnwood**

This Conference shares the widespread concern about climate change as expressed by school students protestors.

Conference believes that without immediate action the world faces environmental catastrophe this century.

Despite Labour's landmark Climate Change Act the UK is not on course to meet our climate change targets. We believe that only a Labour Government can and will deliver the changes required to meet the challenge of climate change.

Tackling climate change is vital to prevent irreversible damage to wildlife and to social justice, as it is the world's poorest communities facing displacement and loss of life from the effects of global warming.

We believe that the scientific evidence is now beyond doubt that human made climate change is threatening the future stability of our planet and that a radical programme to limit global warming.

Conference demands:

- A government led programme to develop stretching targets for clean energy including wind, tidal, solar and nuclear energy.
- A government led programme to ensure all UK homes are well insulated to reduce energy use by 50%.
- A programme to move away from using gas as a fuel.
- A programme to favour domestic sourced energy over imported fuel.
- A radical car scrappage scheme to increase electric vehicles.
- A sustainable rail and aviation industry.
- A radical programme to up skill the UK workforce to develop, manufacture and manage the greening of the UK.
- No increase in inequality by making energy, transport and holidays unaffordable for workers.

**Don Valley**

CONFERENCE NOTES:

To prevent the worst effects of climate change, we must keep global temperature rises below 1.5°C.

Over 1C warming has occurred causing extreme weather events and mass deaths, particularly of the poorest in the Global South. Tackling climate change is indivisible from social, racial and economic justice

Our severe socioeconomic inequality drives wasteful consumption causing climate change

Just 100 companies are responsible for most carbon emissions; the Conservative government is deregulating the fossil fuel industry and cutting support for renewables

Labour has supported the youth strikes for climate and Extinction Rebellion, pushing the climate emergency up the national agenda. A Green New Deal is now a demand we must make.

CONFERENCE THEREFORE CALLS ON THE LABOUR PARTY TO INCLUDE A GREEN NEW DEAL IN THE MANIFESTO:

a state-led programme of investment and regulation for the decarbonisation and transformation of our economy that reduces inequality and pursues efforts keeping global average temperature rises below 1.5°C.

THIS WILL INCLUDE:

- Commitment to net zero carbon emissions by 2030;
- Rapidly phasing out all fossil fuels;
- Large-scale investment in renewables;
- A just transition to well-paid, unionised, green jobs available for all;

- A green industrial revolution expanding public, democratic ownership as far as necessary for the transformation;
- Green public integrated transport that connects Britain;
- Supporting developing countries' climate transitions by increasing transfers of finance, technology and capacity; Assuring everyone's basic rights through the provision of universal services;
- A plan to make 25% of the UK's land restored to nature through re-wilding and habitat restoration

## **Dulwich and West Norwood**

Conference notes that:

we are on the brink of climate catastrophe, and that time is running out to ensure a sustainable future for our planet.

any solutions to the climate emergency will have to be on an individual, local, national, and international level in order to be successful.

Conference believes that:

a key component of addressing the challenge will be a fundamental rethink of our economic model, and that the short-termism in our economy does not result in sustainable growth – for people or the planet.

only a Labour government can bring about the change we need via a programme of state-led innovation and investment.

Conference resolves that:

the Labour party develop a new industrial strategy based on the principle of a 'Green New Deal', that involves regional investment into green industries and the creation of green jobs, particularly in those areas that have suffered industrial decline.

a Labour government cooperate fully with our European neighbours on the issue of climate change, and adopt an internationalist approach to tackling this challenge.

## **Epsom and Ewell**

The Esher and Walton Constituency Labour Party calls on the Labour Party to commit to delivering a Green New Deal that:

- Achieves zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2030.
- Creates good quality, high-wage, unionised jobs.
- Builds resilience against climate change related disasters.
- Secures for all people:
  - Clean air and water
  - Healthy food
  - Access to nature, and

2. Labour should commit to delivering these goals over a 10 year period, including:

- Overhauling the transport system to eliminate pollution and greenhouse gas emissions and equitably connect all people with cheap, high-speed public transit;

- b. Building affordable, safe and high-quality housing for all;
- c. Committing to well-funded, publicly provided health and social care;
- d. Providing resources, training and high-quality education from cradle to grave so that all communities may equally participate in the Green New Deal mobilisation;
- e. deepening and diversifying manufacturing and industry locally and regionally to equitably rebalance the economy;
- f. Working with farmers to eliminate pollution and greenhouse gas emissions from the agricultural sector;
- g. Dismantling the fossil fuel industry by ending subsidies and finance and developing transition plans for every affected workplace, town and city;
- h. Promoting the international exchange of technology, expertise, products, resources and services
- i. Enacting measures that support the 'right to stay' for people on the front lines of climate
- j. breakdown including through the transfer of resources to build physical and social infrastructure to
- k. combat severe and unpredictable weather.

### **Esher and Walton**

Conference believes Labour should campaign for a Socialist Green New Deal. Decarbonisation could produce thousands of well-paid, skilled jobs in renewables and the supply chain. This will be based on public ownership and democratic control.

Conference calls on Labour to implement:

- The cost of decarbonisation must be borne by the wealthiest not the poorest, through progressive taxation.
- No company registered in a tax haven should receive public subsidies and a register of all companies in receipt of public money should be published.
- Energy construction contracts in the UK are legally required to include local labour clauses in those contracts.
- Investment in skills to meet our needs now and in future.
- Companies in receipt of subsidies, contractors and sub-contractors, covered by a national recognition and collective bargaining agreement.
- Companies in receipt of public subsidy must report information on the output and performance of renewable energy facilities to ensure delivery of secure, reliable, cost-effective energy.
- Public ownership of energy, creating an integrated, democratic system; public ownership of the Big Six.
- Public ownership of transport – expanded, integrated, free or cheaper.
- Public programme for manufacturing, installing and training in renewable technologies.
- Building and retrofitting of zero-carbon council housing and public buildings.
- A workers-led 'just transition' from high-emission jobs to alternatives; public investment guaranteeing communities and living standards.
- Democratic public ownership of banking and finance, providing resources and economic leverage.
- Support for developing countries' climate transitions, transferring finance, technology and capacity.
- Legislation empowering workers to take action over political and social issues including climate change.

### **Fire Brigades Union**

Conference:

- endorses the Declaration of a Climate Emergency.
- affirms that a sustainable and just transition is possible and necessary.
- demands a 'Green New Deal' that involves government-led nationwide social, economic, industrial, political and environmental reconstruction.

Conference expects the next Labour Government to:

- respond to the climate emergency with a 'Green New Deal' that builds on the policies and plans set out in 'The Green Transformation: Labour's Environment Policy'
- amend the Climate Change Act 2008 to reflect the latest IPCC guidance and introduce further secondary legislation as necessary.
- strengthen the public services and international agencies required for a just transition.
- cancel any plans for a future nuclear power programme, remove all subsidies for fossil fuel industries and invest instead in state-owned renewable energy industries and associated infrastructure.
- reform the planning system to deliver net zero greenhouse gas emissions.

Conference instructs the Labour Party in opposition to:

- use every effort and opportunity to reshape social, economic, industrial, political and environmental systems in the interests of all and especially those here and around the world who are most affected by this climate crisis.
- demand national and global action using the evidence-based recommendations of the IPCC and other agencies to prevent runaway global climate breakdown and deliver the sustainable development goals.
- set up and resource a Climate Emergency Unit to scrutinise policies, coordinate policy development and provide information and advice for MPs, AMs, Councilors and the public.
- organise support and assistance for communities affected by extreme weather events.

### **Forest of Dean**

Conference notes that combatting climate breakdown is not just a moral issue, but an economic one for communities and workers across the UK.

Conference believes with the right industrial strategy and political will, decarbonisation can produce vast numbers of well-paid, skilled jobs in communities held back and left behind.

Conference calls on the next Labour government to increase the number of decent unionised energy-related jobs in the UK

In power Labour will:

- Develop and roll out green hydrogen gas to help decarbonise heat and power a low-carbon economy, while developing Carbon Capture Storage.
- Take advantage of considerable opportunities for zero carbon UK nuclear power projects and decommissioning
- Increase the number of renewables jobs created in the UK through a radical industrial strategy
- Tackle fuel poverty
- Invest in the retrofitting of council housing and public buildings
- Fully develop a green supply chain with a guaranteed minimum number of jobs in the UK
  
- Ensure the costs of decarbonisation are borne by the wealthiest through progressive taxation and investment - not household energy bills
- Exclude companies registered in tax havens from publicly financed contracts
- Invest in skills through a proactive education and skills strategy to meet our needs and give hope to the people now and in the future

Conference resolves that trade union and communities must be at the heart of a reinvigorated industrial strategy, with energy workers playing the leading role in shaping a just transition to a lower carbon economy.

This Labour Party Conference views with concern that our planet faces existential crisis, already witnessing polar tipping points. Conference applauds Labour's world-leading declaration of climate emergency and support for Extinction Rebellion, school strikers, and a Labour Green New Deal for socially just, life-enhancing economic transitions.

Labour in government will establish now a broad based Climate Crisis hub ahead of a Climate Emergency Ministry to fast-track change and drive public and private use from fossil fuels into zero-carbon energy, whose benchmark standards will be:

- Rapid and equal public availability
- Zero-carbon in production and in use
- Minimum retrofitting
- 24/7 reliable supply
- Social cohesion and widespread support

This Climate Ministry will commission research and trials, listen to campaigners, academics, practitioners, production workers, policy makers and industry, and be a clearing house for new knowledge, ideas and rapid feedback.

Labour will restore a non-profit Grid for domestic, commercial, public and industrial uses. Internationally, Labour will press for heavy UN penalties on "ecocide" damage to climate-sensitive habitats, backed by political isolation, trading boycotts, divestment, and sports sanctions. Global warming sees no borders: we must work alongside the international community to restore wetlands, tree cover and biodiversity and roll back desertification. Labour resolves to boost such natural carbon removal in addition to, not instead of, reducing our own emissions towards actual zero.

## **Hastings and Rye**

Conference notes:

- To prevent the worst effects of climate change, we must keep global temperature rises below 1.5°C.
- Over 1°C of warming has taken place, causing floods, droughts, heatwaves, pollution, and hundreds of thousands of deaths. The poorest suffer most. Tackling climate change is indivisible from social, racial and economic justice.
- Just 100 companies are responsible for the majority of carbon emissions; and the Conservative government is deregulating the fossil fuel industry and cutting support for renewables.
- Labour has supported the youth strikes for climate and Extinction Rebellion, pushing the climate emergency up the national agenda.

Conference calls on Labour to include a Green New Deal in the manifesto: a state-led programme of investment and regulation for the decarbonisation and transformation of our economy that reduces inequality and pursues efforts to keep global average temperature rises below 1.5°C. This will include:

- Commitment to zero carbon emissions by 2030;
- Rapidly phasing out all fossil fuels;
- Large-scale investment in renewables;
- A just transition to well-paid, unionised, green jobs;
- A green industrial revolution expanding public, democratic ownership;

- Green public integrated transport;
- Supporting developing countries' climate transitions by increasing transfers of finance, technology and capacity;
- Assuring everyone's basic rights through the provision of universal services;
- Welcoming climate refugees while taking measures against the displacement of peoples from their homes;
- Enforce a requirement of carbon neutral supply chains against UK listed companies;
- A commitment to zero emissions by 2030 in any trade arrangements;
- Delivering our Paris Agreement undertakings;
- Strengthening international cooperation, including through EU institutions

## **Hitchin and Harpenden**

Conference notes:

To prevent the worst effects of climate breakdown, we must keep global temperature rise below 1.5°C.

Tackling climate breakdown is indivisible from social, racial and economic justice.

A rapid, just transition to a zero-carbon economy is a priority. This must involve the reduction of emissions from all greenhouse gases e.g. methane as well as CO<sub>2</sub>.

Conference therefore calls on the Labour Party to include a Green New Deal in the manifesto: a state-led programme of investment and regulation to decarbonise and transform our economy, reduce inequality and work to keep global average temperature rises below 1.5°C.

This will include:

- Commitment to zero carbon emissions by 2030 and a rapid phase-out of all fossil fuels;
- Large-scale investment in renewables and recycling;
- Well-paid, unionised, green jobs;
- Expansion of public, democratic ownership as far as necessary for the transformation;
- Green free or cheap public integrated transport across Britain; halt to airport expansion;
- Enabling a just transition for developing countries with transfers of finance and technology, justice for workers in global supply chains;
- Clean air and water and other universal services meeting human needs, as a human right;
- Welcoming climate refugees while taking measures against the displacement of peoples;
- A programme of ecological restoration to increase biodiversity and natural carbon sequestration;
- Support for alternatives to intensive agriculture and the use of chemical pesticides;
- Promotion of plant-based diets;
- Replacing GDP with indicators of human wellbeing and working towards a four-day working week.

## **Islington North**

Conference notes:

- To prevent the worst effects of climate breakdown, we must keep global temperature rise below 1.5°C. Over 1°C of warming has taken place, causing hundreds of thousands of deaths.

- The poorest people globally suffer most. Just 100 companies are responsible for the majority of carbon emissions. Tackling climate breakdown is thus indivisible from social, racial and economic justice.

- A rapid, just transition to a zero-carbon economy must be a priority.

- Conference therefore calls on the Labour Party to include a Green New Deal in the manifesto: a state-led programme of investment and regulation for the decarbonisation and transformation of our economy that reduces inequality and pursues efforts to keep global average temperature rises below 1.5°C.

This will include:

- Commitment to zero carbon emissions by 2030 and a rapid phase-out of all fossil fuels;
  - Large-scale investment in renewables;
  - Well-paid, unionised, green jobs available for all;
  - Expansion of public, democratic ownership as far as necessary for the transformation;
  - Green public integrated transport that connects Britain and a halt on airport expansion
  - Enabling a just transition for developing countries with appropriate transfers of finance and technology, and justice for workers in global supply chains;
  - Ensuring everyone's needs are met with universal basic services;
  - Taking measures against the displacement of peoples from their homes and welcoming climate refugees.
- A programme of ecological restoration to increase biodiversity and natural carbon sequestration.
- Replacing GDP with indicators of human wellbeing and implementing a reduced working week.

### **Islington South and Finsbury**

Conference notes:

1. To prevent the worst effects of climate change, we must keep global temperature increases below 1.5°C.
2. The UK has accrued wealth since industrialisation through disproportionately high emissions, while the poor, the global south, and women suffer the greatest climate impacts. Domestically and internationally: Social, economic and gender justice is inextricable from climate justice.
3. 100 companies produce over 70% of global emissions. Current international commitments aren't sufficient to keep temperature increases below 1.5°C. International cooperation is key.
4. Labour has led in pushing the climate emergency nationally and must now lead globally. We must demand a Green New Deal.

Conference therefore calls on the Labour Party to champion a Green New Deal in the manifesto: a state-led programme for the decarbonisation and transformation of our economy that reduces inequality and leads international efforts to keep global temperature increases below 1.5°C.

This will include:

- Outlining a plan to reach net-zero carbon emissions, with 2030 as a guiding target;
- Rapidly phasing out fossil fuels from all sectors and moving to 100% renewable energy;
- A just transition to well-paid, unionised, green jobs;
- Reducing individual and systemic consumption through green public transport, housing, industry, agriculture, and a 4-day working week;
- Assuring basic rights through the provision of universal services;
- Expanding public, democratic ownership to underpin these approaches;
- Supporting developing countries' climate transitions through transfers of finance, technology and capacity;
- Ensuring the transition respects human rights and environmental sustainability;
- Welcoming climate refugees whilst tackling climate displacement;
- Working towards a transnational Green New Deal.

### **Labour International**

Conference notes:

- To prevent the worst effects of climate change, we must keep global temperature rises below 1.5°C.

- Over 1°C of warming has taken place, causing floods, droughts, heatwaves, pollution, and hundreds of thousands of deaths. The poorest - particularly in the Global South - suffer most. Tackling climate change is thus indivisible from social, racial and economic justice.
- Just 100 companies are responsible for the majority of carbon emissions; and the Conservative government is deregulating the fossil fuel industry and cutting support for renewables.
- Labour has supported the youth strikes for climate and Extinction Rebellion, pushing the climate emergency up the national agenda. A Green New Deal is now a demand we must make.

CONFERENCE THEREFORE CALLS ON THE LABOUR PARTY TO INCLUDE A GREEN NEW DEAL IN THE MANIFESTO:

A state-led programme of investment and regulation for the decarbonisation and transformation of our economy that reduces inequality and pursues efforts to keep global average temperature rises below 1.5°C.

THIS WILL INCLUDE:

- Commitment to zero carbon emissions by 2040;
- Rapidly phasing out all fossil fuels;
- Large-scale investment in renewables;
- A just transition to well-paid, unionised, green jobs available for all;
- A green industrial revolution expanding public, democratic ownership as far as necessary for the transformation;
- Green public integrated transport that connects Britain;
- Supporting developing countries' climate transitions by increasing transfers of finance, technology and capacity;
- Assuring everyone's basic rights through the provision of universal services;
- Commitment to a large-scale tree planting exercise to off-set carbon emissions

**Maidenhead**

Conference notes:

- To prevent the worst effects of climate change, global temperature rises must be below 1.5°C.
- Over 1°C of warming has taken place, causing floods, droughts, heatwaves, pollution, and hundreds of thousands of deaths. The poorest - particularly in the Global South - suffer most. Tackling climate change is thus indivisible from social, racial and economic justice.
- 100 companies are responsible for the majority of carbon emissions; the Conservative government is deregulating the fossil fuel industry and cutting support for renewables.
- Labour supports youth strikes for climate and Extinction Rebellion, pushing climate emergency up the national agenda. A Green New Deal is now a demand we must make.

Conference calls on the Labour Party to include a Green New Deal in the manifesto: a state-led programme of investment and regulation for decarbonisation and transformation of our economy, reducing inequality and pursuing efforts to keep global average temperature rises below 1.5°C.

This will include:

- Commitment to zero carbon emissions by 2030;
- Rapidly phasing out all fossil fuels;
- Large-scale investment in renewables;
- A just transition to well-paid, unionised, green jobs available for all;

- A green industrial revolution expanding public, democratic ownership as far as necessary for the transformation;
- Green public integrated transport that connects Britain;
- Supporting developing countries' climate transitions by increasing transfers of finance, technology and capacity;
- Assuring everyone's basic rights through the provision of universal services;
- Welcoming climate refugees while taking measures against the displacement of peoples from their homes.
- Supporting mass tree planting and re-wilding of the countryside.

## **Milton Keynes North**

### Conference Resolves that

1. Labour commits to a Green New Deal that:
  - a. Achieves zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2030 through a fair and just transition for all communities and workers;
  - b. Creates good quality, high-wage, unionised jobs ;
  - c. Builds resilience against climate change related disasters, such as extreme weather, drought or flooding;
  - d. Secures for all people:
    - i. Clean air and water
    - ii. Healthy food
    - iii. Access to nature
    - iv. A sustainable environment
2. Labour commits to delivering these goals through a Green New Deal that mobilises the UK's resources and by:
  - a. Overhauling the transport system to eliminate pollution and greenhouse gas emissions and equitably connect all people with cheap, high-speed public transit;
  - b. Building affordable, high-quality housing for all;
  - c. Committing to well-funded, publicly provided health and social care;
  - d. Providing resources, training and high-quality education from cradle to grave so that all communities may equally participate in the Green New Deal;
  - e. Diversifying manufacturing and industry locally and regionally to equitably rebalance the economy;
  - f. Working collaboratively with farmers to eliminate pollution and greenhouse gas emissions from the agricultural sector;
  - g. Dismantling the fossil fuel industry by ending subsidies and finance and developing transition plans for every affected workplace, town and city;
  - h. Promoting the international exchange of technology, expertise, products, resources and services to learn from and help other countries achieve a Green New Deal;
    - i. Enacting measures that support the 'right to stay' for people on the front lines of climate breakdown

## **Montgomeryshire**

1. Labour must deliver a Green New Deal to achieve net zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2030 through a fair transition for all communities and citizens, securing clean air and water, healthy food, good quality, high-wage, unionised jobs; a sustainable environment and building resilience against climate change related disasters.

2. Only a socialist system based on collective ownership and production for need, not profit, can guarantee a sustainable relationship between humanity and nature. Labour must mobilise the UK's resources and expertise, creating millions of well-paid, unionised, socially useful jobs, by:

- a national climate strategy and service to manufacture, install and provide training in renewable technologies and waste elimination;
- bringing all energy generation and supply into public ownership, creating a national energy system;
- a publicly-owned, integrated, non-polluting, free or cheap and greatly expanded public transport system; ending airport expansion and working to reduce air travel emissions;
- building affordable, high-quality, zero-carbon housing for all and insulating existing social housing and public buildings;
- ending all fossil fuel extraction with transition plans for every affected workplace and community;
- deepening and diversifying manufacturing and industry locally and regionally, working with unions to re-balance the economy equitably, to guarantee living standards and sustainable communities;
- working with agriculture to eliminate pollution and greenhouse gas emissions.
- promoting international technological exchange, expertise, products, resources and services to learn from and help other countries achieve a Green New Deal.

### **Newcastle Upon Tyne East**

North Somerset supports:

A Green New Deal that:

Achieves zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2025 through fair and just transitions for all communities and workers;

Creates good quality, high-wage, unionised jobs;

Builds resilience against climate change related disasters;

Secures for all clean air and water, healthy food, access to nature and a sustainable environment.

That this Green New Deal mobilises the UK's resources and expertise over ten years by;

Overhauling transport to eliminate pollution and gas emissions and securing cheap and efficient public transport for all;

Resisting expansion of commercial flights until their impact on the environment is significantly lessened;

Building affordable, safe and high quality zero emission housing for all;

Committing to well-funded, publicly provided health and social care;

Providing and prioritising resources, training and high quality education for all so that all may equally participate in the Green New Deal;

Deepening and diversifying manufacturing and industry locally and regionally to equitably rebalance the economy;

Working collaboratively with farmers to eliminate pollution and gas emissions from agriculture;

Dismantling the fossil fuel industry by ending subsidies and finance and developing transition plans for affected workplaces, towns and cities;

Promoting the international exchange of technology, expertise, products, resources and services to learn from and support countries achieve a Green New Deal front lines of climate breakdown and including through the transfer of resources to build physical and social infrastructure to combat severe and unpredictable weather.

### **North Somerset**

Conference notes:

- Over 1°C of warming has taken place, causing floods, droughts, heatwaves, pollution, and hundreds of thousands of deaths. The poorest - particularly in the Global South - suffer most. Tackling climate change is thus indivisible from social, racial and economic justice.
- 100 companies are responsible for the majority of carbon emissions; and the Conservative government is deregulating the fossil fuel industry and cutting support for renewables.
- Labour has supported the youth strikes for climate and Extinction Rebellion, pushing the climate emergency up the national agenda. A Green New Deal is now a demand we must make. Conference therefore calls on the Labour Party to include a Green New Deal in the manifesto: a state-led programme of investment and regulation for the decarbonisation and transformation of our economy that reduces inequality and pursues efforts to keep global average temperature rises below 1.5°C.

This will include:

- Commitment to zero carbon emissions by 2030;
- Rapidly phasing out all fossil fuels;
- Large-scale investment in renewables;
- A just transition to well-paid, unionised, green jobs available for all;
- A green industrial revolution expanding public, democratic ownership as far as necessary for the transformation;
- Green public integrated transport that connects Britain;
- Supporting developing countries' climate transitions by increasing transfers of finance, technology and capacity;
- Assuring everyone's basic rights through the provision of universal services;
- Welcoming climate refugees while taking measures against the displacement of peoples from their homes.

We propose an income based consumption tax ringfenced so it can only be spent on green issues

**Norwich South**

Conference notes:

- We must keep global temperature rises below 1.5°C.
- Over 1°C of warming has taken place, causing floods, droughts, heatwaves, pollution, and death. The Global South suffers most. Tackling climate change is thus indivisible from social, racial and economic justice.
- 100 companies are responsible for most carbon emissions; the Conservative government is deregulating the fossil fuel industry and cutting support for renewables.
- Permanent economic growth is unlikely to be sustainable and will require changes to public economic policy.
- Labour supports the youth strikes for climate and Extinction Rebellion, pushing the climate emergency up the national agenda.

Conference therefore calls on the Labour Party to include a Green New Deal in the manifesto: a state-led programme of investment and regulation for the decarbonisation and transformation of our economy that reduces inequality and pursues efforts to keep global average temperature rises below 1.5°C.

This will include:

- Exploring a path to an ambitious target of zero carbon emissions by 2030;
- Rapidly phasing out all fossil fuels;
- Large-scale investment in renewables;

- Labour Councils should divest their local government pensions schemes from fossil fuels and invest in green energy;
- A just transition to well-paid, unionised, green jobs available for all;
- A green industrial revolution expanding public, democratic ownership as far as necessary for the transformation;
- Green public integrated transport that connects Britain;
- Supporting developing countries' climate transitions by increasing transfers of finance, technology and capacity;
- Welcoming climate refugees while taking measures against the displacement of peoples from their homes.

## **Nottingham South**

This notes:

- At the Labour Party Conference 2018 it was agreed that to prevent the worst effects of climate change, we must keep global temperature rises below 1.5°C.
- Over 1°C of warming has taken place.
- The poorest suffer most. Tackling climate change is thus indivisible from social, racial and economic justice.
- Labour has supported the youth strikes for climate and Extinction Rebellion, pushing the climate emergency up the national agenda. A Green New Deal is now a demand we must make. This believes: The recommendations made at Conference should become part of Labour Policy:
- Commitment to zero carbon emissions by 2030:
- Rapidly phasing out all fossil fuels.
- Large-scale investment in renewables.
- A just transition to well-paid, unionised, green jobs available for all;
- A green industrial revolution expanding public, democratic ownership as far as necessary for the transformation.
- Green public integrated transport that connects Britain;
- Supporting developing countries' climate transitions by increasing transfers of finance, technology and capacity.
- Assuring everyone's basic rights through the provision of universal services. This proposes:
- To support Conference in its call on the Labour Party to include a Green New Deal in the manifesto and for a state-led programme of investment and regulation leading towards the decarbonisation and transformation of our economy that reduces inequality and pursues efforts to keep global average temperature rises below 1.5°C.

## **Penistone and Stocksbridge**

Since the Labour Party has declared an environmental and climate emergency, we ask that the party now puts forward a 'new green deal' to invest in and change industry, agriculture, energy and transport, in a way that radically reduces their carbon and ecological footprint, which would include nationalisation and not for profit.

## **Pontypridd**

Conference notes:

To prevent the worst effects of climate change, we must keep global temperature rises below 1.5°C.

Over 1°C of warming has taken place, causing floods, droughts, heatwaves, pollution, and hundreds of thousands of deaths. The poorest - particularly in the Global South - suffer most. Tackling climate change is thus indivisible from social, racial and economic justice. Just 100 companies are responsible for the majority of carbon emissions; and the Conservative government is deregulating the fossil fuel industry and cutting support for renewables.

Labour has supported the youth strikes for climate and other groups, pushing the climate emergency up the national agenda. A Green New Deal is now a demand we must make.

Conference therefore calls on the Labour Party to include a Green New Deal in the manifesto: a state-led programme of investment and regulation for the decarbonisation and transformation of our economy that reduces inequality and pursues efforts to keep global average temperature rises below 1.5°C.

This will include:

- Commitment to zero carbon emissions by 2030;
- Rapidly phasing out all fossil fuels;
- Large-scale investment in renewables;
- A just transition to well-paid, unionised, green jobs available for all;
- A green industrial revolution expanding public, democratic ownership as far as necessary for the transformation;
- Green public integrated transport that connects Britain;
- Supporting developing countries' climate transitions by increasing transfers of finance, technology and capacity;
- Assuring everyone's basic rights through the provision of universal services

**Rochdale**

Conference notes:

We face a climate catastrophe; time is running out to ensure a sustainable future for our planet; and we need a rapid response. Actions are required individually, locally, nationally, and internationally.

Conference believes:

We need a fundamental rethink of our economic model; an economy geared towards resource-intensive short-termism cannot create environmentally or economically sustainable growth.

Only a Labour government can bring about the change we need via a programme of innovation and investment.

Conference resolves that.

Labour should develop a new industrial strategy based on a 'Green Industrial Revolution', which involves shifting subsidies from climate change-causing fossil fuel companies to supporting green industries; and which must be consistent with the Paris Agreement to limit global warming to 1.5°C.

Labour should establish an independent Just Transition Committee to assess skill gaps and stimulate good, unionised, green jobs, particularly in areas that have suffered industrial decline and in those where fossil fuel industries are located.

A Labour Government should remove legislation that requires UK Governments to maximise economic recovery of oil and gas, which is inimical with our Paris and net-zero targets.

A Labour Government should introduce Committee on Climate Change-advised and Treasury-overseen, departmental and cross-departmental carbon budgets, and conduct a climate emergency spending review assessing all expenditure and projects through a carbon lens, that delivers zero-carbon and bringing systemic change.

A Labour government should adopt an internationalist approach to tackling the climate emergency, and cooperate fully with our European neighbours to win this battle.

## **SERA**

Conference Notes:

- To prevent the worst effects of climate change, we must keep global temperature rises below 1.5 degrees C.
- Over 1 degree C of warming has taken place, causing floods, droughts, heatwaves, pollution, and hundreds of thousands of deaths. The poorest – particularly in the Global South – suffer most. Tackling climate change is indivisible from social, racial and economic justice.
- Just 100 companies are responsible for the majority of carbon emissions; and the Conservative government is deregulating the fossil fuel industry and cutting support for renewables.
- Labour has supported the youth strike for climate and Extinction Rebellion, pushing the climate emergency up the national agenda. We now demand a Green New Deal.  
CONFERENCE THEREFORE CALLS ON THE LABOUR PARTY TO INCLUDE A GREEN NEW DEAL IN THE MANIFESTO:

THIS WILL INCLUDE:

- Commitment to zero carbon emissions by 2025;
- Rapidly phasing out fossil fuels;
- Large scale investment in renewables;
- A just transition to well-paid, unionised, green jobs and apprenticeships;
- A green industrial revolution expanding public, democratic ownership including utilities, as far as necessary for the transition;
- Publicly owned, affordable, green, integrated transport connecting Britain;
- Restoring ecosystems, reforestation and rewilding;
- Promoting locally produced, affordable, healthy, environmentally sustainable food;
- Environmentally sustainable building regulations, retro fitting council and social housing and public buildings;
- Supporting developing countries' climate transitions by increasing transfers of finance, technology and capacity;
- Assuring everyone's basic rights through provision of universal services;
- Welcoming climate refugees while taking measures against the displacement of people from their homes.

## **Shrewsbury and Atcham**

Conference notes:

To prevent the worst effects of climate change, we must keep global temperature rises below 1.5°C. The poorest - particularly in the Global South - suffer most from climate change. Tackling this is thus indivisible from social, racial and economic justice.

Just 100 companies are responsible for the majority of carbon emissions; and the Conservative government is deregulating the fossil fuel industry and cutting support for renewables.

Conference therefore calls on the Labour Party to include a Green New Deal in the manifesto: a state-led programme of investment and regulation for the decarbonisation and transformation of our economy that reduces inequality and pursues efforts to keep global average temperature rises below 1.5°C.

This will include:

- Commitment to zero carbon emissions by 2030;
- Rapidly phasing out all fossil fuels;
- Large-scale investment in renewables;
- A just transition to well-paid, unionised, green jobs available for all;
- A green industrial revolution expanding public, democratic ownership as far as necessary for the transformation;
- Green public integrated transport that connects Britain;
- Supporting developing countries' climate transitions by increasing transfers of finance, technology and capacity;
- Assuring everyone's basic rights through the provision of universal services;
- Welcoming climate refugees while taking measures against the displacement of peoples from their homes.

Conference further agrees to hold a Special Conference to develop the policy proposals ready for a general and the local elections.

## **South Cambridgeshire**

Conference notes:

- To prevent the worst effects of climate change, we must keep global temperature rises below 1.5°C.
- Over 1°C of warming has taken place, causing floods, droughts, heatwaves, pollution, and hundreds of thousands of deaths. The poorest - particularly in the Global South - suffer most. Tackling climate change is thus indivisible from social, racial and economic justice.
- Just 100 companies are responsible for the majority of carbon emissions; and the Conservative government is deregulating the fossil fuel industry and cutting support for renewables.
- Labour supported the youth strikes for climate and Extinction Rebellion, pushing the climate emergency up the national agenda.

Conference therefore calls on the Labour Party to include a Green New Deal in the manifesto: a state-led programme of investment and regulation for the decarbonisation and transformation of our economy that reduces inequality and pursues efforts to keep global average temperature rises below 1.5°C.

This will include:

- Commitment to zero carbon emissions by 2030;
- Rapidly phasing out all fossil fuels;
- Large-scale investment in renewables;
- A just transition to well-paid, unionised, green jobs available for all;
- A green industrial revolution expanding public, democratic ownership as far as necessary for the transformation;
- Green public integrated transport that connects Britain;
- Supporting developing countries' climate transitions by increasing transfers of finance, technology and capacity;
- Assuring everyone's basic rights through the provision of universal services;
- Welcoming climate refugees while taking measures against the displacement of peoples from their homes.
- Test the effects of 5G and EM

## **South Northamptonshire**

Conference applauds Labour's initiative in declaring a Climate and Environment Emergency, calling on the government to set urgent action within six months.

Conference notes according to IPCC reports we have 11 years to prevent catastrophic climate change. There is no evidence of "decoupling" of economic growth from increased natural resource use. Resource use continues to rise along with economic growth and has increased at a faster rate in recent years.

Conference rejects the relentless pursuit of unlimited economic growth by governments and multilateral institutions which will see the depletion of the earth's resources, concentrating the rewards of growth in the hands of the wealthy few while vulnerable, disadvantaged communities and countries suffer the consequences of climate breakdown.

Conference believes that only economic policies compatible with safeguarding the planet's precious resources and preventing climate breakdown will improve living standards for the many.

Conference resolves to:

Commit to prioritise sustainable resource use and reduction in carbon emissions over economic growth, using measures of economic success other than GDP based on human need

Explore and develop policies to improve living standards beyond growth, including a reduced working week, Universal Basic Services, community wealth-building, a zero-waste circular economy, divestment from the fossil fuel industry and decarbonising the economy by 2030

Advocate internationally to change the goals and output/outcome measures pursued by multilateral institutions, including the OECD, the United Nations Environment Program and the World Bank, away from GDP-based growth measures to "prosperity and wellbeing within ecological limits

## **South West Hertfordshire**

Conference note that:

1. We have, at most, only 11 years to prevent the worst effects of climate breakdown, and we must keep global temperature rises below 1.5°C.
2. The Labour Party wholeheartedly supports the youth strikes for climate change and Extinction Rebellion, and their call for drastic radical action to tackle our climate and environmental crisis.
3. The UK bears substantial responsibility for our global climate breakdown emergency, our drastic loss of species and the degradation of our environment, due to its central role in industrialisation and colonialism.
4. The poorest, particularly in the Global South, are suffering most from climate catastrophe, so tackling this issue is indivisible from social, racial and economic justice.
5. Just 100 companies are responsible for the majority of carbon emissions and the Conservative government is deregulating the fossil fuel industry and cutting support for renewables.
6. A Green New Deal is urgently needed - a state-led programme of investment and regulation for the decarbonisation and transformation of our economy that reduces inequality and pursues efforts to keep global average temperature rises below 1.5°C.
7. A Green New Deal has the potential to transform our economy into one that is sustainable and not based on profit for the few, so creating a society which has as its basis the right to quality of life for everyone.

## **Stretford and Urmston**

Conference notes:

- To prevent the worst effects of climate change, we must keep global temperature rises below 1.5°C.
- Over 1°C of warming has taken place, causing floods, droughts, heatwaves, pollution, and hundreds of thousands of deaths. The poorest suffer most. Tackling climate change is thus indivisible from social, racial and economic justice.
- Just 100 companies are responsible for the majority of carbon emissions
- Labour has supported the youth strikes for climate and Extinction Rebellion, who pushed the climate emergency up the national agenda. A Green New Deal is now a critical demand.

Conference therefore calls on the Labour Party to include a Green New Deal in the manifesto: a state-led programme of investment and regulation for the decarbonisation and transformation of our economy that reduces inequality and pursues efforts to keep global average temperature rises below 1.5°C.

This includes:

- Commitment to zero carbon emissions by 2030;
- Rapidly phasing out all fossil fuels;
- Large-scale investment in renewables;
- A just transition to well-paid, unionised, green jobs available for all;
- A green industrial revolution expanding public, democratic ownership;
- Green public integrated transport that connects Britain;
- Supporting developing countries' climate transitions by increasing transfers of finance, technology and capacity;
- Assuring everyone's basic rights through the provision of universal services;
- Welcoming climate refugees while taking measures against the displacement of people from their homes.
- Ensure equal regional distribution of development throughout the U.K. and Global South.

### **Sutton Coldfield**

We have 11 years to combat runaway climate change caused by greenhouse gas emissions.

Globally the poorest people are hit by extreme weather event.

In the UK and globally, high levels of inequality and deprivation arise from factors including access to clean air, water, healthy food, adequate healthcare, housing, transport and education.

The Green New Deal is a large scale state led mobilisation of finance and labour power through investment, regulation and expanding public ownership for the decarbonisation and transformation of our economy. Labour should commit to deliver a Green New Deal that will achieve zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2030 through a fair and just transition for all communities and workers.

### **Taunton Deane**

- To prevent the worst effects of climate change, keeping global temperature rises below 1.5°C.
- +1°C warming has taken place, causing floods, droughts, heatwaves, pollution, and hundreds of thousands of deaths. The poorest - particularly in the Global South - suffer most. Tackling climate change is indivisible from social, racial and economic justice.

- Just 100 companies are responsible for the majority of carbon emissions; the Conservative government is deregulating the fossil fuel industry and cutting support for renewables.
- Labour has supported the youth strikes for climate and Extinction Rebellion, pushing the climate emergency up the national agenda. A Green New Deal is a demand we must make.

State-led programme of investment and regulation for the decarbonisation and transformation of our economy that reduces inequality and pursues efforts to keep global average temperature rises below 1.5°C.

- Commitment to zero carbon emissions by 2030;
- Rapidly phasing out all fossil fuels;
- Large-scale investment in renewables;
- A just transition to well-paid, unionised, green jobs available for all;
- A green industrial revolution expanding public, democratic ownership as far as necessary for the transformation;
- Green public integrated transport that connects Britain;
- Supporting developing countries' climate transitions by increasing transfers of finance, technology and capacity;
- Assuring everyone's basic rights through the provision of services;
- Welcoming climate refugees while taking measures against the displacement of peoples from their homes.
- Labour commits to build 100,000 sustainable units of social housing per year for ten years. This housing is zero carbon energy usage, with lowest possible embedded carbon in construction.

### **Tiverton and Honiton**

That the shadow Secretary for the Environment investigates the potential for harnessing the unstoppable tidal power all around the United Kingdom as an inexhaustible supply of energy in the target of zero carbon emissions by the year 2050.

### **Torbay**

Conference notes the Party's aspirations on climate change and the environment. The acceleration of the climate emergency means that Labour needs to commit to a more ambitious target of zero carbon emissions by 2030 (twenty years sooner than the Tories' proposals) alongside a large scale investment in renewable energy and a phasing out of fossil fuels, including a complete ban on fracking.

Conference further notes that a major study by Imperial College London has indicated that the potential economic benefits of a decarbonised economy are not currently being evenly distributed around the country. Conference believes that combining radically anti-carbon policies with a progressive restructuring of the economy gives us the possibility to both create green jobs and fight the threat of climate chaos.

Conference also believes that there are too many areas of the country which are not receiving adequate funding for transport initiatives that would significantly contribute to achieving decarbonisation targets by 2030.

Across the UK, Labour will support:

- rail electrification, connecting cities and towns and at the same time continue to support HS2 because of the additional capacity that it will create for rail freight on the West Coast Mainline, removing polluting HGVs and other vehicles from roads;
- the transition to sustainably powered rail freight;
- creation of rail freight interchanges;
- investment in electric buses that can reconnect local communities;
- integrated public transport timetabling;

- local schemes that make walking and active travel safe, attractive, environmentally sustainable options, benchmarked against European practice.

**TSSA**

Walsall South resolves:

To acknowledge that there is a climate emergency and that as an authority we can play a part in trying to address it.

To aim to make Walsall a carbon-neutral Town by 2030.

To establish and support a climate change action group that is chaired by an individual from outside of the Council and is comprised of representatives of all parties on the council, council officers, representatives of local employers, local education establishments, partner organisations, local community groups, faith groups, local environmental groups, trade unions and other representatives of local civil society to encourage and coordinate the drive towards a carbon-neutral borough.

To require the cabinet and senior officers to collaborate with this action group, to examine what more can be done by the Council to deliver a carbon-neutral Town, and for cabinet to work with the action group to produce and publish a plan setting out how the council, through its policies, practices and actions will help to deliver a carbon-neutral City by 2030.

**Walsall South**

We resolve that Labour should commit to delivering a “Green New Deal” over the next decade to address the multiple and urgent challenges of dangerous Climate Change, resource depletion, pollution of our land and seas, loss of biodiversity and species extinction, rising social inequality and deprivation, gender and racial inequity. Its objective will be to:

- a. Develop its proposals through transparent and inclusive consultation, and collaboration with and between frontline and vulnerable communities, trade unions, workers, civil society groups, academia, business, local and central government.
- b. Achieve zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2030 through a fair and just transition for all communities and workers;
- c. Create good quality, high-wage, unionised jobs including the necessary training for everyone that wants one, accessibility through cheap, reliable, and timely public transport, plus addressing regional economic imbalances and areas of deprivation;
- d. Build affordable, high-quality housing, and retrofit existing housing stock to move towards zero carbon and cut bills;
- e. Work collaboratively with the farming community to reduce pollution and greenhouse gas emissions from the agricultural sector, reduce soil erosion & degradation, increase biodiversity, and provide sufficient healthy food for a growing population;
- f. Build resilience against climate change related disasters, such as extreme weather, drought, flooding and sea level rise;
- g. Promote the international exchange of technology, expertise, products, resources and services to learn from and help other countries and their peoples to achieve their own Green New Deals;
- h. Achieve a sustainable environment, based on respect for planetary tipping points and boundaries.

**York Central**

## HIGH STREETS

Conference is appalled at the crisis unfolding in the retail sector, with one in ten shops standing empty in our high streets.

Conference recognises that thriving town and city centres are vital in providing employment and creating pride in our communities.

Conference notes that 74,000 jobs were lost in retail in 2018, but the Conservative Government has failed to take these job losses seriously and take action to rejuvenate our high streets.

Conference agrees that the Labour Party will implement comprehensive strategy to save our shops and keep out high streets at the heart of our communities, as an urgent priority in Government, including:

- Tax reforms to level the playing field between online and physical retailers, encompassing fundamental reform of the business rates systems.
- A full review of rents and lease arrangements within the sector.
- A review of the role and function of the Competition and Markets Authority, giving workers a guaranteed voice in decisions affecting their future.
- Investment in skills within the retail sector, with a particular focus on workers affected by automation, including through union learning and high quality apprenticeships.
- A new legal right to consultation on the introduction of new technology in the workplace.
- A reform of redundancy law, to remove the loophole which allows large businesses to avoid collective consultation over small individual workplaces.
- A new model of co-operation between Government, police, business and workers, to tackle retail crime and antisocial behaviour.

**USDAW**

## HOMELESSNESS

Homelessness has risen drastically since 2010, there are a number of measures in place which can criminalise begging and rough sleeping, including the 1824 Vagrancy Act, Public Space Protection Orders, Criminal Behaviour Orders, Community Protection Notices and dispersal orders.

So-called 'enforcement' measures criminalising people for living in public spaces affect more than 70% of people experiencing homelessness (Crisis).

Jeremy Corbyn and the shadow cabinet pledged to repeal the Vagrancy Act once in government saying "Homeless people need help, not punishment", yet Labour has not come out against other measures which criminalise homelessness.

Migrants experiencing homelessness are at risk of further 'enforcement' measures, and those with 'No Recourse to Public Funds' (NRPF) status can face being denied support and threatened with deportation as a result of interacting with services.

Conference resolves:

1. To call on all local authorities, including Labour Councils, to cease the use of all the above measures which could criminalise rough sleeping and begging.
2. To call on all local authorities to cease the practice of embedding Home Office immigration officers in their local services, as denying support to migrants is driving the crisis on our streets.
3. To include in the next General Election manifesto repeal of the 1824 Vagrancy Act, an end to all powers to regard begging or rough sleeping as 'Anti-social' behaviour, and the abolition of NRPF status.

**Corby  
West Worcestershire  
Westminster North**

Conference notes the number of people sleeping on the streets has increased by 165 per cent under the Conservative government over the past nine years. Conference further notes the amount of vulnerable former servicemen and women who slip through the net and end up homeless after leaving the armed forces.

Conference notes recent data shows a homeless person dies on average every 19 hours in the UK.

Conference believes the government's failure on housing supply and affordable housing, poverty, unemployment and welfare have all impacted the rise in homelessness.

Conference recognises the work of several armed forces charities including the SSAFA and the British Legion, and many other homelessness charities and organisations who provide invaluable help and support to the most vulnerable in society.

Conference calls on the Labour Party to:

- Have a radical approach to dealing with the housing crisis in its manifesto including; investing more than any previous government in social and affordable homes and safe places to live.
- Support our veteran community by; working to ensure that all housing policy considers the impact on our veterans, that housing support for veterans is properly resourced and that local authorities ensure former members of the armed services are made a priority for support.
- Work both in government and as the Opposition to end the homelessness crisis.
- Commit to making 8,000 more homes available for those with a history of rough sleeping.
- Making £100m available to councils in year one to provide additional help for rough sleepers in cold weathers.

**Community**

This Conference supports the Homeless Bill of Rights drawn up in 2017 by FEANTSA, the European coalition of homelessness organisations, to encourage cities to recognise the rights of homeless people.

<https://homelessrights.org.uk/the-homeless-bill-of-rights/>

## Background

The Homeless Bill of Rights is a compilation of basic rights drawn from European and international human rights law, but made specific to the situation of the homeless and it includes those of people in emergency and temporary accommodation and the "hidden homeless".

- 1) The number of people sleeping rough on our streets has increased 165% since 2010
- 2) There is a correlation between the areas who have the biggest local authority cuts and the highest death rates amongst homeless people
- 3) The number of people being placed 'Unsuitable Temporary Accommodation' has seen a 260% increase since 2010, which reflects the growing pressure on Local Authorities

There are increasing numbers of homeless people who lack access to essential facilities and resources. The Homeless Bill of Rights is intended to change the way we talk, act, and think about those who are homeless and to contribute towards the need to recognise the dignity and humanity of everyone, whatever their housing status..

This Conference therefore resolves to support the proposal:

That the Labour Party adopt the Homeless Bill of Rights and thereafter in all its policies, practices and procedures that affect the homeless endeavour to comply with the letter and the spirit of the Homeless Bill of Rights, and promote it within the membership.

### **East Worthing and Shoreham**

Conference believes that homelessness should be treated as a national emergency. In Greater Manchester, strides are being made, led by Andy Burnham, to eradicate homelessness. We propose that all parts of The country should follow the example of Greater Manchester and apply a suitable strategy to eradicate rough sleeping by 2020 and homelessness by 2022.

### **Tatton**

## **HOUSING**

Conference notes:

- Land ownership in the UK is astonishingly unequal, with land values rising dramatically from around £1trn in 1995 to over £5trn today.
- A major factor behind this inflation is the treatment of land and housing as financial assets and vehicles for tax avoidance.
- Our planning system and speculative development model is failing to deliver for local needs.
- Affordable housing and access to land for farming and recreation is out of reach for a growing number of people, with disastrous social consequences.

Conference calls for the following proposals, from the Land for the Many report, to be included in Labour's manifesto:

- A commitment to stabilising nominal house prices.
- All information about land ownership, control, subsidies and planning should be published as open data.

Introduce:

- A Community Right to Buy based on the Scottish model.
- Compulsory Sale Orders, granting public authorities the power to require derelict land to be sold by public auction.
- A Right to Roam across all uncultivated land and water, excluding gardens.
- A Community Participation Agency to ensure people have a say in planning.

In support of Labour's ambitious social house building programme:

- Establish New Public Development Corporations with power to purchase land at closer to current use value, and develop it in the public interest.
- End the fire sale of public land.

Strengthen the rights of private tenants and overhaul property taxation to discourage the use of land and housing as financial assets and/or as vehicles for tax avoidance.

**Mid Dorset and North Poole  
Stroud**

Conference notes that

- Shelter's 'A Vision for Social Housing' report concludes that 3.1 million new social rented homes need to be built over the next 20 years – an average of 155,000 per year.
- Under the last Labour Government's 'National Affordable Homes Programme' the grant available for councils to deliver new council housing was set at around £60,000 per home. Considering inflation since then, at least £100,000 per home will be needed for councils to deliver social rented housing.
- Under the policy of Right-to-Buy, over 1.8 million council properties in England have been sold to date. These homes have never been replaced one-for-one.
- Jeremy Corbyn committed to building 100,000 council homes a year during his 2016 leadership campaign.

Conference therefore calls upon the Labour Party to:

- Adopt a policy of building 155,000 social rented homes a year, with at least 100,000 of these social rented council homes, to start with immediate effect when in Government.
- Pledge at least £10 billion a year for housing grant, ringfenced for delivering 100,000 social rented council homes, to be announced at the first Budget of a Labour Government.
- Adopt a policy of ending, not suspending, Right-to-Buy to be announced on day one of a Labour Government.

Conference also calls upon the Party to provide a clear commitment that housing proposals passed as policy at our Annual Conference since 2017 will form a part of the radical housing policy included in our next manifesto.

**Gosport  
Great Yarmouth  
Guilford  
Hampstead and Kilburn**

**Leicester West  
Manchester Withington  
Morley and Outwood  
Sheffield Heeley  
South East Cornwall  
South Thanet  
Warwick and Leamington  
Wyre Forest**

Conference recommends that over the next 20 years an average of 150,000 per year social rented homes to meet identified need be built. These to be centrally grant aided to local authorities (ring fenced) at a minimum of £80,000 per home to deliver these properties. They should not be for sale.

The Bedroom Tax to be abolished forthwith.

The new build properties to deliver on

lifelong design for easy adaptation  
insulation to 'passive haus' standard  
provide individual or communal outdoor space

Building companies commissioned for these social rented and/or privately/association built intermingled accommodation must

give workers contracts for length of project

pay as a minimum the current Living Foundation wage

employ and train an agreed percentage of apprentices

Among the new properties to be built, these social rented properties to include properties for the full range of age groups who have different needs at different stages of their lives. In larger development projects the following should be included at the planning stage and commissioned to include:

appropriate infrastructure, access to public transport, cycle and walkways

local shops with appropriate food outlets

access to or provision of care and advice services, medical & pharmaceutical provision

at least one communal meeting place

Conference calls on the Party to accept these proposals as a commitment for immediate action on forming the government to provide the much needed housing to obviate the growing homelessness & child poverty in our communities.

**Bromsgrove**

Conference condemns the Tories' nine years of failure on housing. Since 2010:

- Rough sleeping has more than doubled and there are now 124,000 children homeless in temporary

accommodation.

- New build social rented homes fell to the lowest level on record.
- More than two million private renters pay over a third of their income on rents.
- The number of young people under 45 owning their home has fallen by nearly 900,000.

Conference resolves that the Labour Party should:

- Put housing at the heart of our campaigning efforts to win the next general election.
- Back councils with new funding and powers to enable the biggest council house building programme in nearly 40 years.
- Help private renters with an end to 'no fault' evictions, open-ended tenancies, controls on rents, new minimum standards and tougher enforcement.
- Deliver one million new affordable homes with secure lifetime tenancies.
- Introduce new energy efficiency standards on all new homes and back a large-scale green retrofit programme, with Direct Labour Organisations taking on council new-build and refurbish projects.
- Fund the retrofitting of sprinklers in all high-rise social housing tower blocks.
- Back households on ordinary income who aspire to own their own home with discounted homes to buy and first dibs for local people on new homes in their area.
- End rough sleeping within a Parliament and tackle the wider causes of rising homelessness, including the Tories' punitive welfare benefit rules.

## **Chinese for Labour**

Conference notes:

The housing crisis in London is worsening year-on-year through;

council and housing association (HA) homes being demolished  
overcrowding as young people cannot afford to leave their parental homes  
spiralling rents and service charges  
lack of security of tenure including Section 21 no-fault evictions  
increased homelessness and temporary accommodation  
rent arrears due to sky-high rents and benefit cuts  
failure to build new council homes  
extortionate "Affordable" rents and lack of council provision breaking up communities

We call for:

Rent controls applied to all rented property including the private sector  
Security of tenure with lifelong tenancies and succession rights for all  
Extended regulation of rents and service charges  
The building of at least 100,000 council homes per year  
Right-to-buy for private tenants with discounts for tenancy longevity and compensation for landlords  
Accountable, clear and equitable complaints procedures

Legal aid restored for repairing obligations with fairer eligibility  
In-house maintenance service and DLOs instead of unaccountable sub-contracting  
Surveyor checks on repairs  
Resident-led involvement in inspection, regulation and scrutiny, with published reports  
No more void social housing tenancies converted to Affordable rents  
Fire safety measures in place and communicated to all inhabitants  
Sprinklers for any buildings over 4 floors  
Replacement of combustible cladding on all buildings, paid for by government  
Rent freeze for all "Affordable" housing tenants  
An end to so-called "intermediate" tenancies in the public sector  
Has returned to their social aims with public accountability, or lose public funding

### **Cities of London and Westminster**

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- Under the policy of Right-to-Buy, over 1.8 million council properties in England have been sold to date. These homes have never been replaced one-for-one.
- Jeremy Corbyn committed to building 100,000 council homes a year during his 2016 leadership campaign.

Conference therefore calls upon the Labour Party to:

- Adopt a policy of building 155,000 social rented homes a year, with at least 100,000 of these social rented council homes, to start with immediate effect when in Government.
- Pledge at least £10 billion a year for housing grant, ringfenced for delivering 100,000 social rented council homes, to be announced at the first Budget of a Labour Government.
- Adopt a policy of ending, not suspending, Right-to-Buy to be announced on day one of a Labour Government and put in place a pro-active policy to bring back those homes sold under Right-to-Buy back into council ownership.

Conference also calls upon the Party to provide a clear commitment that housing proposals passed as policy at our Annual Conference since 2017 will form a part of the radical housing policy included in our next manifesto.

### **Halesowen and Rowley Regis**

Conference notes the outcomes of the Shelter Social Housing Commission, and in particular the recommendation to provide an average of 150,000 new public rented homes each year for 20 years, to meet needs and aspirations for decent, genuinely affordable homes.

Labour Housing Group notes the Labour Party's commitment in "Housing for the Many" to build 1 million affordable homes over 10 years, and considers that it will take determination and radical actions to ensure delivery of that target.

Conference agrees that the next Labour Government will give local government the powers and funding to lead on meeting the target locally by:

- Removing restrictions to enable councils to build new council homes, including ending the Right To Buy
- Building a new generation of energy efficient / zero carbon, homes for sale and for rent, (including off-site construction homes) as part of a Green New Deal
- Providing public, well-paid jobs with good training and apprenticeships, to build and to produce materials for new homes
- Requisitioning by Compulsory Purchase Order empty private homes, including unoccupied tower blocks in London (as in Berlin and Vancouver), as well as the worst private rented sector properties

LHG welcomes the policy decision that all new private tenancies will be indefinite, and asks Conference to agree that Assured Shorthold Tenancies will be abolished and that rent controls will be introduced. This will help to tackle the homelessness crisis, and provide more stable communities.

Conference also recommends that housing investment is seen as investing in assets rather than borrowing.

### **Labour Housing Group**

The Labour Party and Leadership of the Labour Party commit to the repeal of the Housing 'Right to Buy' act.

### **North Warwickshire**

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- Under the policy of Right-to-Buy, over 1.8 million council properties in England have been sold to date. These homes have never been replaced one-for-one.
- Jeremy Corbyn committed to building 100,000 council homes a year during his 2016 leadership campaign.
- The term "Affordable" has been so misused by Ministers, that it's now widely mistrusted by the Public.

Conference therefore calls upon the Labour Party to:

- Adopt a policy of building 155,000 social rented homes a year, to start with immediate effect when in Government.
- Pledge at least £10 billion a year for housing grant, announced at the first Budget of a Labour Government.
- Adopt a policy of ending, not suspending, Right-to-Buy announced on day one of a Labour Government.
- Pledge to create a new Labour Legal definition of an "Affordable Rent", as linked to local income.

Conference notes

- With the loss of nearly two million social homes since the 1980s, and the unaffordability of home ownership, more than 4.5 million households now live in rented housing, including many families, children and older people.
- The modern private rented sector was created in 1988 under Thatcher, in the interests of investors and landlords, with few protections for tenants. It is now home to more people living in poverty than any other tenure.
- Since 2011 rents have increased 60% faster than incomes across England, and in London 300% faster than incomes.
- Labour is committed to introducing open-ended tenancies, and introduce a cap on rent rises.

Conference believes:

- The private rented sector is an inadequate form of housing, and radical reform is required.
- Rents are already far too high in many places, having been left unregulated for three decades, and must be brought down to levels genuinely affordable on local incomes

Conference resolves:

- Labour should include in the next manifesto a rent control policy to bring down rents sustainably to genuinely affordable levels, using the accepted yardstick of affordability: 1/3 of net average local household income
- If landlords choose to sell following the introduction of rent controls, Labour should commit to purchasing the homes, with sitting tenants, and converting the homes to social housing. This will help avoid negative consequences for tenants of rent control, and help Labour to meet its target of 1 million additional social homes in 10 years.

**Southampton, Itchen**

Conference notes that

- Shelter's 'A Vision for Social Housing' report concludes that 3.1 million new social rented homes need to be built over the next 20 years – an average of 155,000 per year.
- Under the last Labour Government the grant for councils to deliver new council housing was £60,000 per home. Allowing for inflation at least £100,000 per home will be needed now.
- Under the Right-to-Buy, over 1.8 million council properties in England have been sold to date and never replaced.
- Jeremy Corbyn committed to building 100,000 council homes a year during his 2016 leadership campaign.

Conference therefore adopts the following policies and calls for them to be incorporated in our next manifesto along with the housing policies agreed by the 2017 and 2018 Annual Conferences.

- Build 155,000 social rented homes a year, with at least 100,000 of these being social rented council homes. These will be on sites with good access to jobs, schools, public transport and local amenities, integrated into mixed communities and visually indistinguishable from other housing.
- Pledge at least £10 billion a year for housing grant, ringfenced for delivering 100,000 social rented council homes.
- End, not suspend, Right-to-Buy and Right-to-Acquire.
- Establish and fully fund a Housing Support Service to protect people from housing stress and cut homelessness.
- Establish a new Rented Sector Regulator to enforce high common standards across all rented sectors.
- A comprehensive package of policies to meet the housing needs of rural communities, including council housing, co-operatives and community led developments.

## **Thirsk and Malton**

Tackling the housing crisis

Conference notes

- The failure of this government to tackle the housing shortage and homelessness, the serious affordability problems in many areas (including York), the imbalance between support for housing developers and constraints on local authorities and housing associations and the refusal to give private sector tenants protection
- The near abandonment of regeneration policies especially outside London

We believe that

- There needs to be a comprehensive attack on housing and regeneration across the country from government level down to the local community level
- The Labour Party needs to support root and branch change to the housing system with solutions appropriate for different regions

We therefore propose

- A national housing and regeneration strategy with a long-term attack including a 50% increase in funding for housing and regeneration/infrastructure through grants and loans allied to national/local targets for affordability
- Creating regional banks, regionalizing and reforming Homes England to restore the former HCA roles in regeneration and commitment to tenants and communities
- The abolition of right to buy and help to buy
- The re-establishment of Local Housing Strategies with the same weight as the Local Plan

- Compulsory registration for the private rented sector with an overhaul of assured tenancies legislation leading to fairer rents and greater security of tenure.

**York Outer**

Conference notes:

Britain is in the midst of a housing crisis. In the private rental sector, people spend 41% of their income to live in housing that can often be poor quality and contractually insecure, while local councils are forced to sell more homes than they can afford to build.

Young people bear the brunt of this crisis, being priced out of renting, unable to access council housing and rely on assistance, with approximately 3,400,000 20-to-34 year olds living in their parents' homes.

Conference believes:

That the private sector cannot solve this crisis, since it was caused by deregulation and a lack of state intervention.

That local and national government must lead the way in both in the construction and the regulation of homes that we desperately need.

Conference resolves:

The next Labour Government must:

Enable councils to directly construct a minimum of 3,100,000 additional social homes over the next 20 years, as recommended in Shelter's report Building for our future: a vision for social housing

Invest in the skills development in the construction industry

End the right-to-buy and right-to-acquire on day one

Give councils the powers and resources to take housing associations under direct council control

Give councils increased Compulsory Purchase Order powers for empty homes and land assembly.

Introduce rent caps/controls, linked to local income and based on genuine affordability.

Devolve enforcing of standards in the private rental sector.

Legislate for open-ended tenancies and a Tenants' Rights Charter

**Young Labour**

## **HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT UNDER-FUNDING**

This conference recognises that local authority HRAs are seriously under-funded as a result of

1) £13 billion extra 'debt' imposed on councils in the 2012 'debt settlement'. This 'debt' is the result of manipulation by the Treasury over many years. In reality tenants have paid more in rent than the historic cost of borrowing to build council homes. Between 1994/5 and 2008/9 council tenants paid £31 billion more in rent than was received by councils in annual 'allowances'.

2) Coalition and Tory government policies since 2012. The four year rent cut and a fourfold increase in RTB sales, mean that councils are collecting hundreds of million pounds less rent than projected in the 2012 settlement.

Hence HRAs have insufficient income to maintain existing council housing and to renew key housing components in good time. This will inevitably lead to a deterioration in the condition of homes.

In order to resolve this funding crisis Labour will

1) Highlight the responsibility of the Tories for it. Demand that the government use its powers under the Localism Act to 'reopen the settlement' and cut the 'debt' in line with projected losses of rental income over the course of their 30 year business plans, resulting from their policies since 2012.

2) Commit to cancelling all HRA debt held by the Public Works Loans Board, when in government.

A Labour government will end the historic injustice of debt being manipulated to fleece tenants who have to pay for servicing it, by cancelling this fictitious debt.

**South Swindon**

## **IMMIGRATION**

Confronted with attacks on migrants – from the racist Hostile Environment to the Conservatives' Immigration Bill that plans to end free movement and strip the rights of working-class migrants – we stand for solidarity, equality and freedom.

Scapegoating, ending free movement and attacking migrants' rights are attacks on all workers. They make migrant workers more precarious and vulnerable to hyper-exploitation, pressing down wages and conditions for everyone. They divide us, making it harder to unionise and push back.

Free movement, equality and rights for migrants, are socialist values and benefit us all.

Labour can offer real solutions to the problems racists feed on. Public funding for good jobs, homes, services and social security for everyone; scrapping anti-union laws to support workers organising and driving up wages and conditions. Migrant workers are already central to trade union campaigns beating low pay and exploitation.

The UK and EU should welcome migration across Europe and from beyond. We must oppose the Tories' immigration legislation and any curbing of existing free movement rights.

In government, Labour will:

- maintain and extend free movement of people as a workers' right, opposing immigration systems based on incomes, migrants' utility to big business, and number caps/targets;
- ensure unconditional right to family reunion;

- close all detention centres;
- extend equal rights to vote to all UK residents;
- end “no recourse to public funds” policies;
- scrap all Hostile Environment measures, use of landlords and public service providers as border guards, and restrictions on migrants’ NHS access.

**Edinburgh Central  
Stevenage**

Conference notes:

Confronted with attacks on migrants – from the racist Hostile Environment to the Conservatives’ Immigration Bill which will end free movement and strip the rights of working-class migrants – we stand for solidarity, equality and freedom.

Making migrant workers more precarious and vulnerable to hyper-exploitation, reduces wages and conditions for everyone.

Labour offers real solutions to fix the problems which are often unfairly and incorrectly blamed on migrants themselves. Public funding for good jobs, homes, services and social security for everyone; scrapping antiunion laws to support workers organising for improved conditions and wages. Migrant workers are already central to trade union campaigns beating low pay and exploitation, in spite of prevailing attitudes and Tory legislation.

The UK and EU should welcome migration across Europe and from beyond.

Conference resolves:

In opposition, Labour must:

- oppose any curbing of existing free movement rights;
- actively challenge anti-immigrant narratives and campaign for free movement, equality and rights for migrants - socialist values which benefit all.

In government, Labour will:

- promote the positives of immigration;

maintain and extend free movement of people as a workers’ right, rejecting immigration systems based on incomes, migrants’ utility to business, and number caps/targets;

- ensure unconditional right to family reunion;
- close all detention centres;
- extend equal rights to vote to all UK residents;
- end “no recourse to public funds”;

- work to end "Fortress Europe";
- scrap all Hostile Environment measures, use of landlords and public service providers as border guards, and restrictions on migrants' NHS access.

## **Camberwell and Peckham**

Conference notes that:

Confronted with attacks on migrants—from the racist Hostile Environment to the Conservatives' Immigration Bill that will end free movement and strip rights of working-class migrants, we stand for solidarity, equality and freedom. Scapegoating, ending free-movement and attacking migrants' rights are attacks on all workers, making migrant workers more vulnerable to hyper-exploitation, pressing down wages and conditions for everyone. They divide us, making it harder to unionise and push back.

Free movement within the EU and beyond, equality and rights for migrants, are socialist values benefitting us all. Labour offers real solutions to the problems racists feed on: public funding for good jobs, homes, services and social security for everyone, scrapping anti-union laws to support workers, organising and driving up wages and conditions. Migrant workers are already central to trade union campaigns beating low pay and exploitation.

Conference therefore calls on the Labour Party to:

- Oppose the current Tory immigration legislation and any further curbing of existing free movement rights
- Oppose any immigration system based on incomes, migrants' utility to big business, and number caps/targets
- Include in the manifesto pledges to; Maintain and extend free movement as a worker's right; ensure the unconditional right to family reunion; close all immigration detention centres; extend equal rights to vote to all UK residents; end "no recourse to public funds" policies; scrap all Hostile Environment measures, including the use of landlords and public service providers as border guards; and end restrictions on migrants' NHS access.

## **Canterbury**

Confronted with attacks on migrants we stand for solidarity, equality and freedom.

Scapegoating, ending free movement and attacking migrants' rights are attacks on all workers. They make migrant workers more precarious and vulnerable to hyper-exploitation, pressing down wages and conditions for everyone. They divide us, making it harder to unionise and push back.

Free movement, equality and rights for migrants, are socialist values and benefit us all.

Labour can offer real solutions to the problems racists feed on. Public funding for good jobs, homes, services and social security for everyone; scrapping anti-union laws to support workers organising and driving up wages and conditions. Migrant workers are already central to trade union campaigns beating low pay and exploitation.

The UK and EU should welcome migration across Europe and from beyond. We must oppose the Tories'

immigration legislation and any curbing of existing free movement rights.

In government, Labour will:

- maintain and extend free movement of people as a workers' right, opposing immigration systems based on incomes, migrants' utility to big business, and number caps/targets;
- ensure unconditional right to family reunion;
- close all detention centres;
- extend equal rights to vote to all UK residents;
- end "no recourse to public funds" policies;
- scrap all Hostile Environment measures, use of landlords and public service providers as border guards, and restrictions on migrants' NHS access;
- use a community-based approach to immigration and asylum systems to encourage social inclusion and promote human dignity. This promotes wellbeing; combating criminalisation of migrants.

**Coventry North West**

## **INCLUSIVE OWNERSHIP**

The Ashfield Constituency Labour Party welcomes the announcement made by the Shadow Chancellor John McDonnell at the 2018 Party Conference that Labour would set up Inclusive Ownership Funds for Companies with more than 250 employees.

The Ashfield supports the requirement in the proposed policy of each qualifying Company having to set up such funds, so that 1% of Company shares are paid annually into the fund up to a legally achieved cap through consultation. It would allow the workers controlling the fund to be able to pay dividends individually back to the workers helping to redress low pay. It would shift some of the balance of wealth back to the workers, giving them a collective stake in big Companies and a voice as shareholders. Any surplus of dividend over the agreed cap would be paid to Government to set up a National Wealth fund.

Therefore the Ashfield urges Conference to acknowledge and support the policy of Inclusive Ownership Funds and to include the policy in the next Labour Party manifesto as a priority. Conference also endorses that the use of payments above the dividend cap is used to create a National Wealth Fund.

**Ashfield**

Conference notes:

- The announcement by Shadow Chancellor John McDonnell at Party Conference 2018 that Labour would set up "Inclusive Ownership Funds" for companies with more than 250 employees.
- That each qualifying company would have an Inclusive Ownership Fund, into which the company would be required to place 1% of its shares each year, up to a cap.
- That this company Inclusive Ownership Fund would be held collectively by the employees, paying dividends to them and providing them with a collective voice as a shareholder. Dividend payments above a cap will be made to government.

Conference believes:

- That Inclusive Ownership Funds will transfer wealth and power to working people, giving them a collective stake in large companies.
- That individual dividends from the Inclusive Ownership Funds will redress low pay and shift the balance of income back towards those who work.
- That the democratisation of capital and wealth in our society is critical to the mission of the next Labour government.

Conference resolves:

- To express full support for the policy, and urge the inclusion of Inclusive Ownership Funds in the next Labour Manifesto as a priority for government.
- To support consultation and work on the best means to implement Inclusive Ownership Funds as a priority for government, including consideration of their legal implementation and level of the dividend cap.
- To support the use of payments above the dividend cap for a national wealth fund.

**Stalybridge and Hyde**

## **INDUSTRIAL STRATEGY**

For decades, politicians from every party have spoken about the need for an industrial strategy. For decades, these words have not been followed by action.

A real industrial strategy will boost our economy and jobs across all industries, but it must also deal with the biggest issue of today, climate change.

The next Labour government's industrial strategy should focus on low-carbon infrastructure and put trade unions at its heart.

The Labour Party has been at the forefront of this issue, and a Jeremy Corbyn-led Labour government promises to be the first for decades to offer a real industrial strategy that will build houses, schools, and transport infrastructure which will improve the lives of millions, create jobs and help the fight against climate change.

Transport is the largest polluter in terms of greenhouse gases, producing 27 percent of total emissions. Rail is already among the cleanest modes of transport but could be improved by fully electrifying the network and moving more freight onto the railways as part of an integrated transport system.

Public infrastructure should be as green as possible, whether new housing, schools or other public buildings and government should lead from the front in enforcing strong environmental standards.

Conference calls for:

- A new industrial strategy focused on a low carbon infrastructure.
- A commitment to an integrated, multi-model transport system with electrified rail at its heart.
- A programme of improvement and new standards for housing and public buildings to reduce carbon emissions.

**ASLEF**

This applauds the work done by the party on the industrial strategy.

We believe the party should include further policies around the weak redundancy laws in the UK which make UK workers cheap and easy to sack.

Weak redundancy laws allow corporations to take over UK companies and move work not only to low cost countries.

German companies in the UK will often move work to German plants making UK workers redundant because it is easier and cheaper.

We have an example in our constituency. A factory owned by an American corporation who also owned a factory in Holland. Both losing money with the Dutch business losing significantly more but the corporation closed the UK plant to move the work to the Dutch plant rather than cut back the Dutch plant because it was easier and cheaper, sacking 120 UK workers.

We now have Brexit which this believes will result in global corporations moving work from the UK. This believes it is now important to have strong and robust redundancy laws in place.

Labour Conference calls on the Party:

1. To amend the industrial strategy and manifesto by committing to strengthening redundancy laws, introducing legislation to make business's fully accountable before making redundancies by presenting a strong business case that will be fully scrutinised before making redundancies.
2. To increase the statutory redundancy pay to £1000 per years' service with no age restrictions or caps.
3. To mandate meaningful consideration of alternative proposals from any trade union with impacted members.

## **Birmingham, Yardley**

We have suffered a decade of severe cuts to public services and social security, privatisation, crumbling infrastructure, attacks on trade unions, and tax cuts for the very wealthiest.

It has been a political assault on the many, by the few.

Cynical gestures that appear to return a small amount of the funding the Tories snatched from the country will not heal the deep wounds inflicted on public services. The Tories' social and economic policies, and their careering towards a 'No Deal' Brexit, will only deepen this crisis, threatening our future manufacturing. They have ended any pretence of an industrial strategy and are moving towards a US trade deal damaging to UK workers.

Labour must urgently unite around the central goal of securing and winning a general election. Only a Jeremy Corbyn led Labour government can transform this country, give hope and heal the divisions caused by the Tories, secure our future, create decent work and be a voice for peace and co-operation in the world.

Conference reaffirms support for ending austerity, undertaking large scale investment in our infrastructure and implementing an industrial strategy that re-shapes our economy and transitions us to a sustainable future; rebuilding our manufacturing base and supporting the growth of future industries, including by; using public procurement, widening public ownership, expanding our public transport, building council homes, insourcing and rebuilding our public services and social security, and implementing our commitments on stronger trade union and employment rights – for a redistribution in wealth, ownership and power.

## **Unite the Union**

## INSOURCING

Conference welcomes “Democratising local public services” as a significant first step to ending the privatisation of public services, following similarly welcome announcements around ending PFI.

Conferences notes that the result of privatisation has been lower pay and pensions for public service workers, less secure employment and lower quality, poorly resourced public services for our communities.

Conference further notes that in-sourcing is attracting renewed interest in local government – an area where outsourcing is particularly prevalent and pernicious - but that privatisation is growing in English health, education and social care.

“Conference believes that public services must satisfy the Nolan principles of good government and should be provided by the public sector. Outsourcing has been a catastrophic, short-sighted, failed ideological experiment which needs to be reversed.

Conference further believes that we need a bold plan for ending the privatisation of public services – reliance on allowing outsourced contracts to end before they are returned to the public sector risks a delay that will further damage public services and those who provide them.

Conference resolves that the next Labour government must:

- Begin returning all public services to the public sector within the first year of the next Labour government
- Complete the process of insourcing all public services by the end of that government’s first term of office.
- Ensure that this process includes ending multi-tier workforces within twelve months, by applying the relevant sector wide arrangements for pay, terms and conditions as secured through collective bargaining to every sector as a minimum.

**UNISON**

## KASHMIR

This branch recognises that the rising tide of Global Nationalism and the election of demagogic populist leaders inevitably moves from wild rhetoric to dangerous actions. The losers are always the poorest people in society.

The revocation of Article 370 of the Indian Constitution by the Modi Government, means that the special status of Jammu Kashmir, with its relative autonomies dating back to partition in 1947, has been discarded without consultation or respect for International Law.

The region has been effectively ‘locked down’ with military presence and the removal of means of communication including the internet.

This is a clear violation of basic freedoms and human rights.

We support the statement made by Shadow Foreign Office Minister Liz McInnes to the British Government to:

“call on India and Pakistan to work together with the international community to determine a lasting and peaceful political solution which protects the human rights of the Kashmiri people and respects their democratic rights to have a say in their future”

This therefore calls on the Labour Party to adopt the following actions:

- Confirm that Kashmir is a disputed territory and commit to supporting the Kashmiri peoples right of self-determination, including the instruments of international law.
- Call on the Indian Government to restore all communications to the region immediately and lift all travel bans.
- Demand an end to all human rights abuses, killings of civilians and grant immediate access to international observers and human right organisations free access to the region.

## **Keighley**

The conflict in Jammu-Kashmir (commonly known as 'Kashmir' and currently forcibly divided and occupied by India, Pakistan and China arises from the denial of right of self-determination to its people, which was promised to them by India and Pakistan through a UN commission in 1948/49.

The Conference supports;

- a) the Kashmiri peoples' right to self-determination and the independence movement as a whole
- b) the call for immediate cessation of hostilities between India and Pakistan at the LoC, where 100s of civilians have been killed over the past 1 year on both sides
- c) the calls for withdrawal of all military forces of India & Pakistan in an agreed timeframe to pave way for a free and fair plebiscite to be conducted under UN supervision.
- d) the calls from AI, HRW, Genocide Watch and the UN Commissioner for Human Rights for an impartial international inquiry into alleged gross human rights abuses in Indian occupied Kashmir, including the issue of unidentified mass graves.

The Conference directs the Labour Party leadership to play a more pro-active role in pressing for an amicable solution to this longstanding issue to help bring about much needed peace and prosperity in the region.

The Conference directs a future Labour government to take up the matter to the UN Security Council in consultation with affected parties and friendly members of the Council in order to bring about a permanent resolution to this unresolved legacy of the British Raj, while ensuring that the principle of unfettered right to self-determination is upheld.

## **Stockport**

This Conference recognises with deep concern the current humanitarian and constitutional crisis in Kashmir. This has been brought about by the actions of the Indian government of Narendra Modi and the Hindu Nationalist BJP in unilaterally removing the special constitutional status of Jammu-Kashmir under Article 370 of the Indian Constitution and imposing martial law.

Local elected politicians have been placed under house arrest, there is a communications and media lock down, meaning little is known about what is actually taking place there, and a severe curfew is in force. This has consequences for both human rights and the maintenance of international peace.

This Conference welcomes and agrees to support the campaign being mounted by UK South Asian communities to raise awareness of the situation and to stimulate international support for action to resolve the crisis in Kashmir.

What makes the whole situation all the more fraught is the threat to world peace: India and Pakistan have been to war more than once over Kashmir and are now both nuclear powers, with a potential involvement from China.

In the short term, India must revert to the position before the present crisis and fully restore the limited autonomy and status of Jammu-Kashmir and provide full economic aid to compensate for the current economic and individual hardship caused. In the medium term the UN must be allowed to supervise a genuine exercise in self-determination for the whole of Kashmir.

## **Wakefield**

This Conference condemns the recent actions of the Indian Government to revoke article 370 of the Indian Constitution.

This action by the Modi Government will raise tensions between two nuclear powers, India and Pakistan, and deny the protection afforded under this article to the citizens of Kashmir. We note with concern the following:

- i) The addition of 180,000 extra troops to the region, which already has over 700,000 troops, and the reports of Human Rights abuses and killings of Kashmiri civilians by the Indian troops.
- ii) The house arrest of all the political leaders and activists from the region, and the threat to the welfare of people living beside the line of control.

This Conference calls on the Labour Party:

- a) To commit to supporting the retention of article 370 of the Indian constitution until the United Nations resolutions adopted in 1947/8 are implemented, including a binding resolution in the UN security council for a plebiscite of the Kashmiri people to determine their future as a nation.
- b) Confirm that the Labour Party commits to supporting the Kashmiri peoples right of self-determination, including the use of international law.
- c) Calls on the Indian Government to restore all communications to the region immediately and lift all travel bans.
- d) Demands an end to direct rule and the withdrawal of all troops from the region.
- e) Demands immediate access to international observers and human rights organisations free access to the region, and international mediation bring about peace and prosperity to the region.

## **Burnley**

# **LGBT+ INCLUSIVE EDUCATION FOR ALL**

Conference notes that from September 2020, all English primary schools will be required to teach about different families through Relationships Education, including LGBT+ families, and all English secondary schools will be required to teach about sexual orientation and gender identity through Relationships and Sex Education (RSE). A small but growing minority of vocal individuals are lobbying schools, spreading misinformation and leading protests outside schools, trying to stop LGBT+ inclusive education.

Conference believes that people of all faiths and none are LGBT+ and it is vital that children receive inclusive RSE. Repealing Section 28 is one of Labour's proudest achievements, and we must play no part in rowing back the tides of progress. Parents' rights and religious freedoms should be respected but balanced against children's legally protected rights and the need to eliminate discrimination.

Conference condemns the actions outside schools as unacceptable and likely to harm children.

Conference rejects the attempt by Islamophobic and far right people to sew hate and division.

Conference calls on the Labour Party to:

- Remain firm in its commitment to LGBT+ inclusive RSE
- Lobby the Department of Education to properly support schools and local councils through the introduction on inclusive RSE with comprehensive guidance, training and resources
- Push for the removal of loopholes around inclusive RSE in those schools not bound under the law to carry out the curriculum
- Ensure that Wales introduces inclusive RSE
- Work to establish inclusive RSE within the Northern Irish curriculum

**LGBT+ Labour**

## **LOCAL AUTHORITY CUTS**

1. Since 2010 there have been swingeing cuts to local authority expenditure. This has come at a time of declining real incomes, savage attacks on benefits, a crisis in social care provision and a chronic housing shortage.
2. A high priority for Labour in government will be to reverse these cuts and restore adequate funding for local government. Urgent attention will be paid to developing a progressive funding system that spreads the burden fairly and ensures that those most in need receive the services they are entitled to.
3. The party leadership will in any event launch a mass national campaign to compel central government to ensure adequate funding in the short term. This is essential to prevent the dire consequences of a further assault in the coming years.
4. Given the broad impact of the cuts this would have a massive popular potential – drawing in communities, service users, local campaigns, environmental groups, trade unions and many others in local, regional and national action from the grass roots up. It would involve and focus on those who bear the brunt of cuts: women, BAME communities and the young.
5. In consultation with unions and others, an early date will be set for a major national demonstration. All sections of the labour movement will make building this campaign a priority. Labour groups and councillors will play a central, visible and active role, demonstrating to communities that austerity can be resisted and is not inevitable.

**Hornsey and Wood Green**

## **MENTAL HEALTH**

Conference notes that every day in the UK, twelve men will take their own lives, of which two will be boys aged under 19. In LGBTQ+ communities, nearly half of all trans young people have attempted suicide, as have one in five gay, lesbian or bi young people.

Conference recognises that depression is the leading cause of suicide, and that there are a variety of factors that contribute to this, including the gender strain of appealing to masculine stereotypes, the consumption of online pornography and racial discrimination and bullying (especially for members of the LGBTQ+ community). Conference also notes the brilliant work undertaken by unions such as PCS, USDAW, Unite, GMB and many others working in mental health, including arrangement of training events and campaigns and lobbying for support for workers with mental health issues in the workplace.

Conference believes that the solution to these problems must be a set of policies that include expanded sex and relationship education, a drive for mental health nursing recruitment, the establishment of 24/7 universal crisis care in every single community in Britain, a streamlining of Child & Adolescent Mental Health Services to combat fragmentation, reforming the Mental Health Act, programs to enable minority groups greater influence in shaping their local health services and the introduction of mental health education and more LGBTQ+ oriented studies in schools.

Conference calls upon the Labour Leadership to endorse these principles and to commit to including this in the next Programme of Government.

**Caerphilly  
Cynon Valley**

This recognises that mental distress is the leading cause of suicide in young people, and that there are a variety of factors that contribute to this, including the strain of appealing to gender stereotypes, the consumption of online pornography, racial discrimination, bullying (especially for members of the LGBTQ+ community) and exposure to domestic violence and abuse. All of these factors have been made worse by a high level of socioeconomic deprivation and a weak level of Social protection caused by Austerity measures. This also notes the brilliant work undertaken by unions such as PCS, USDAW, Unite, GMB and many others working in mental health, including arrangement of training events, campaigns and lobbying for support for workers with mental health issues in the workplace.

This believes that these problems can largely be resolved by a set of policies that include expanded sex and relationship education, a drive for mental health nursing recruitment, the establishment of 24/7 universal crisis care, that includes dedicated Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CHAMS) in every single community in Britain, improvement of CHAMS to combat fragmentation, reforming the Mental Health Act, programs to enable minority groups greater influence in shaping their local health services and the introduction of mental health education and more LGBTQ+ oriented studies in schools.

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**Monmouth**

We are committed to addressing the toxic effects of austerity policies and free market economics, which research shows have increased the burden of mental distress and marginalisation within the UK. Economic policies and ideological standpoints which emphasise acquisitiveness, self-interest and competitiveness are harmful to the wellbeing of our citizens and responsible for the surge in psychological distress since 2010. Emotional health and well-being are central to our vision for the future, informed by our core values of equality, social justice, opportunity for all, compassion, communality and respect.

Conference resolves that the next Labour Party Manifesto will address the mental health crisis across the UK with future Labour Government commitments, as a minimum, to include:

1. Delivering a mental health revolution in our country by implementing a coherent strategy to achieve our vision of a nation of psychologically healthy and resilient citizens and communities in which all have the opportunity to flourish. This strategy will be built from the ground up, putting service users and carers at the heart of the process.
2. An immediate £2bn of ringfenced funding for mental health services. Within 100 days in office we will complete a comprehensive review to identify the additional resources required to achieve a mental health and wellbeing revolution.
3. Ensuring mental health considerations are front and centre in all policy considerations, particularly economic policy. All sectors of government will be committed to the delivery of policies that promote mental health and wellbeing.

**Sheffield Hallam**

## **MINEWORKERS PENSION SCHEME**

This conference notes the imbalance in the Mineworkers' Pension Scheme of 70%/30% to 50/50 split resulting in the loss of upwards of £4.7 billion since 1994. This loss of pensions to retired miners and widows was done without any actuarial advice on the whim of government ministers. We demand that any future labour government seeks to redress this balance at the earliest opportunity whilst there are still miners and widows left alive to draw a fair pension. The coal miners of Britain have always been there for Britain when needed during times of National Emergency it is about time the British government were there for retirees and widows of the coal industry.

**Doncaster North**

## **NHS**

Conference notes that our NHS faces an unparalleled crisis of under-funding, staff shortages, organisational upheaval and privatisation and the profound impact this is having on patients and services. The rise of arm length NHS "subsidiary companies" (Subcos) is a particular concern.

Conference further notes that there have been increasing reports of widespread rationing of services as the local NHS struggles to make ends meet, and that waiting times have continued to rise. This has been exacerbated by the underfunding of social care, placing pressure on an overstretched health service.

Conference believes that despite claims to the contrary, the current westminister government have overseen a programme of privatisation which undermines the integrity of our NHS.

Conference further believes that a No Deal EU exit presents an existential threat to the NHS and public services – as does any trade deal that would allow overseas private-sector profiteers increased access to our health service and protection from public ownership.

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Provide the necessary additional resources to cover rising costs in the NHS and the social care sector;

- End all privatisation and outsourcing in the NHS, including the abolition of all subcos
- Fund the NHS through general taxation and ensure that it remains universal and free at the point of need;
- Ensure that the NHS, and public services in general, remain outside the remit of any potential future international trade deal;
- Protect current and future health and care workers from the EU.

## **Shipley**

2017 Conference unanimously supported the full renationalisation of a publicly provided, universal, comprehensive NHS free at the point of use, as described in the (now) NHS Bill 2017-19.

This included total opposition to NHS England's Five Year Forward View (now Long Term Plan), which has dismantled and fragmented England's NHS into 44 local health corporations called Integrated Care Providers / Systems / Partnerships, and which is currently eliminating the family GP system and England's local A&E hospital network.

NHS 'Integrated Care' is nothing to do with seamless cooperation between health workers or services; instead, it merely links private with public organisations, and offers an increasingly rationed, deskilled, restricted range of services within a rigidly capped local budget. The clear intention is to deny care and force sick people to use top-up payments, health insurance, personal budgets and private provision.

Conference rejects all elements of all the above policies. Labour will restore Bevan's national 'risk pool' based on geographical health planning according to need, for all members of the population.

Conference supports health workers' duty of care to migrants and opposes migrant charges. Labour will repeal Sections 38 and 39 of the Immigration Act 2014 and subsequent regulations which implement migrant charges.

Labour will recreate a national health service in which technology serves rather than replaces full local primary and secondary care provision. All outsourcing will end, including the commissioning of healthcare which is increasingly being privatised. There will be joint planning between the NHS and a national care service.

## **Liverpool Wavertree**

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Conference believes the current Westminster government have overseen a privatisation programme which undermines the integrity of our NHS. Whilst the SNP's Scottish Futures Trust (PFI in disguise) has been a fiasco at the Edinburgh Sick Kids.

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**UNISON**

Conference notes:

- Matt Hancock's claim "There is no privatisation of the NHS on my watch", in specific reference to NHS England (NHSE)'s 'Integrated Care'.
- That this system, converting to which is the purpose of NHSE's Long Term Plan (LTP), has since empowered private companies to commission services in addition to providing them, potentially basing public-service decisions on vested commercial interests.
- That, seeking Labour's collaboration to legislate for this, Matt Hancock equally falsely claims that such legislation would U-turn on privatisation by amending the Health and Social Care Act (HSCA)'s competition clause.

Conference now declares that doing Hancock's bidding would in fact:

- Deregulate outsourcing, not reduce it.
- Modify, not end the purchaser-provider split (which Thatcher introduced in pursuit of the same US system).
- Base healthcare provision on financial risk and reward.
- Rubber stamp NHSE's attendant reduction of the NHS' physical capacity to provide universally-accessible comprehensive healthcare.
- Contravene 2017 and 2018 Labour conference policy, which defines Labour's position as strictly not amending but repealing the HSCA, opposing and reversing NHSE's restructuring and all previous privatisation, and restoring the NHS and its structures in the manner set out in the NHS (Reinstatement) Bill.

Conference therefore calls for a shadow health team, PLP, Labour councils and a Labour movement that actively seizes every opportunity to stand vocally against the LTP's shrinkage of the NHS into 'Integrated Care', at parliamentary, mayoral, council and all other party levels, in support of the NHS' restoration as per the NHS Bill.

**Maldon**

Conference notes:

- NHS England's (NHSE) 'integrated care' now allows private providers to commission NHS services, potentially basing public interest decisions on private profit.
- NHSE's Long Term Plan (extending its 5-year plan) brought this about. Far from 'fixing' the Health & Social Care Act, it's further reducing a universal, comprehensive, accessible NHS to an inferior, Americanised 'integrated' commercial model.
- 2016-18 Conferences having opposed the 5-year plan, STPs and ACOs/ICPs, Conference now explicitly opposes the Long Term Plan, all forming part of said corporatisation process.

Conference considers the corporate revolving door to NHSE policymakers a principal driver of these developments. Examples include the author of the GP Forward View who is CEO of an online GP company, the NHSE national director who declared NHSE's restructuring an "enormous opportunity" for the private sector, later moving to Google Deepmind Health, and the NHS Digital director promoting an online GP company she was preparing to join.

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## **Socialist Health Association**

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**Hemsworth**

Conference reaffirms Labour's 2016 commitment to an NHS which is publicly owned, publicly funded, publicly provided and publicly accountable.

Conference believes healthcare should be based on patients' needs, not on financial or other non-clinical considerations.

Conference now calls on all sections of the Party to join with patients, health-workers, Trade Unions and all other NHS supporters in sustained and visible campaigning for:

- public awareness of damage done to our NHS
- an end to privatisation
- return of all outsourced services and staff to the NHS
- reinstate the NHS to pre 2006/2012 HSC Acts with amended reinstatement bill
- end financially motivated restrictions of procedures
- legal challenge on PFI contracts and reimbursement to the NHS of monies lost through them
- no selling-off of NHS sites and previously sold off undeveloped land returned to the NHS
- no service or hospital closures
- adequate numbers of properly-paid staff
- adequate funding for all NHS services
- retention of key targets such as A&E, cancer and mental health referral times
- tackling causes of ill-health, e.g. poverty, austerity, poor housing;
- excluding the NHS from free trade agreements.

The NHS, like all publicly owned organisations should have the following duties:

- decarbonise our economy
- ensure access for all
- work closely with communities
- protect public assets and land
- maximise public scrutiny by being entirely transparent

Conference opposes the reclassification of free NHS services as means-tested Social Care. Our publicly-owned NHS needs to be fully integrated with Social Care systems which should all be universal, comprehensive, publicly owned, provided, funded and accountable.

**Sutton and Cheam**

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**Stone**

The Rutland and Melton Constituency Labour Party supports the view that the NHS must be urgently reinstated as a free at the point of use service and that the policies expressed by 2018 Conference Composite 8 must continue to be at the forefront of Labour's ongoing Health Policy, including reinforcing the need to repeal the Health and Social Care Act (2012).

If there's one thing that unites grassroots members across the board, it's support for a genuinely public NHS. Jeremy Corbyn has said that he wants the NHS to be renationalised and run as a publicly owned, publicly provided service, by workers in the public sector, not outsourced private companies. Yet the 2017 manifesto meekly accepts a market of providers, with the NHS being a "preferred provider".

At 2018 Conference, members' supported the NHS Reinstatement Bill, and opposed STPs, ACOs and the privatisers' charter, the Five Year Forward View. Jon Ashworth has promised a policy review. So, as Labour Party members, let's say it loud and clear: we want the policies of Composite 8 to be fully implemented. We want a universal, comprehensive NHS that is publicly-funded, owned and provided. This year's motions focus on the 'contemporary hook' of the very grave potential for 'digitalising care' to expand private sector involvement in the NHS, and on how the government is shrinking NHS provision to push patients into the private sector; and links all this to the policies expressed by Composite 8 last year.

**Rutland and Melton**

## **PENSIONERS' CHAMPIONS**

Dewsbury recognises that Government austerity has had a serious impact on different groups in society, including pensioners, a group who are traditionally more likely to vote in elections.

Among the uncertainties and concerns facing pensioners are:

- The future of winter fuel payments
- The future of bus passes
- The future of free TV licences for over-75s
- Funding social care
- NHS and GP services for older people
- Pensions and inflation proofing

- The cost of funerals
- The lack of access to the internet which is increasingly essential to
  - access central and local government services
  - get the best deals from energy companies and other commercial providers;
  - access banking services as branches close

Age UK reported in May 2018 that more than 1.3 million people over 65 did not have access to the internet.

The effect of the above issues is to create a situation of institutional ageism in which pensioners face a future of less equal treatment than other members of the population.

Dewsbury calls on the Labour Party to appoint a national Pensioners' Champion whose role would be to:

- Review legislation
- Monitor the decisions of central and local government, corporate and extra-Parliamentary bodies
- Work with public and commercial institutions and appropriate voluntary bodies to promote the interests of pensioners

**Dewsbury**

## **POVERTY**

Ellesmere Port & Neston wholeheartedly supports Labour Party policies to help lift people out of poverty and welcomes the Labour Party commitment to raise the Minimum Wage to the level of the Living Wage (expected to be at least £10 per hour by 2020), including plans to extend it to workers under 18 of age, to end discrimination against young people.

We also support the commitment to workers rights with a 20 point plan within the 2017 Labour Party Manifesto.

This calls on the Labour Party to recognise that this Tory Government has consistently failed those people who have fallen on hard times through no fault of their own. They have targeted the vulnerable in our society in an attempt to reduce the cost of Benefits whilst giving tax breaks to the rich. Reducing the Benefits bill has proved to be a false economy, putting more homeless on our streets, reducing the money spent in our local economies and increasing the demand on NHS and Mental Health services.

People need hope.

We call on the Labour Party to include in our manifesto a review of the benefits structure - with a view to ensuring that the level of support for the most vulnerable in our society are able to afford to live healthy, meaningful lives without having to resort to foodbanks, and lifting them out of poverty.

**Ellesmere Port and Neston**

This constituency notes

That in 2017 – 2018 4.1 million children were living in abject poverty, or almost 30 percent of ALL children in the UK

That 70 percent of children growing up in poverty have at least one working parent.

Child poverty has long lasting effects. By GCSE, there is a 28 per cent gap between children receiving free school meals and their wealthier peers in terms of exam success.

That even in a small town like Mansfield, there are 6,000 children living in poverty

This constituency believes

That child poverty in the UK is disgrace to us all, and a direct result of the cruel, ideologically driven, financially unnecessary austerity policies of the Tory Party

There is no acceptable reason or justification for a primary school in Mansfield to consider 120 of its pupils 'at serious risk' of not being fed during the school holidays

The roll out of Universal Credit in Mansfield makes things considerably worse, and increases the risk of child poverty

This constituency demands

That the Labour Party immediately declares child poverty a national emergency

That at least one National Campaign Day over the next 6 months is dedicated to highlighting the seriousness of child poverty

That Jeremy Corbyn dedicates a PMQ session in the next session of Parliament entirely to child poverty and it's consequences

That the party commits to paying child benefit for all children, and not just the first two in a family

**Mansfield**

## **PROBATION SERVICE**

This constituency party believes that the crisis in the prison system is largely a consequence of the under-funding of health, housing, education, youth and victim services and an overly punitive sentencing framework and this must be rectified as a matter of urgency.

This constituency party calls on the national Labour Party to include in its manifesto a firm commitment to reunite and renationalise the Probation Service into a framework of locally accountable structures with national oversight from a distinct department within the Ministry of Justice.

The main focus of this change should be the establishment of probation as a social justice agency within the wider justice system with the aim of achieving a significant reduction in the prison population through systems of diversion and restorative justice.

**Cambridge  
Harlow**

## **PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION**

Hertford and Stortford Constituency Labour Party 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 about their views on the above proposal in the next cycle of policy documents.

The UK is one of only three major developed countries to use First Past the Post (FPTP) for general elections. Most developed countries use a form of Proportional Representation (PR), including the world's most equal and progressive societies.

The Labour Party played a leading role in introducing forms of PR to the UK's devolved parliaments and assemblies in Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland and London.

There are systems of PR that retain a strong constituency link between MPs and their electorates and allow voters to vote for candidates rather than just party lists, while ensuring that all votes count equally and seats match votes.

We strongly believe that PR is not only a fairer system, allowing all votes to count rather than only those in a few marginal constituencies, but would be very much in the interest of the Labour Party.

### **Hertford and Stortford**

North Dorset Constituency Labour Party:

- Calls upon the Labour Party to reject First Past the Post, the voting system currently used for General Elections and Local Government Elections, and to support the introduction of a form of Proportional Representation in which all votes count equally and seats match votes; especially in the case of Local Government Elections.
- Additionally, calls upon the Justice and Home Affairs Policy Commission of the National Policy Forum - or the relevant body following the Democracy Review - to consult the party membership about their views on the above proposal in the next cycle of policy documents.

### **North Dorset**

Conference:

- calls upon the Justice and Home Affairs Policy Commission of the Labour Party's National Policy Forum to consult both our membership and the wider Labour Movement (especially Trade Unions) to ascertain their views on the rejection of 'first past the post' as an electoral system and the introduction of a form of proportional representation at all UK local and national government elections.

Additionally we urge Conference to:

- recognise the steady interest in the use of PR – notably in our EU elections – and the ever-increasing voter disengagement with politics under a system in which votes do not count equally nor seats match the votes
- seek co-operation (via the PLP and other parts of our Party and movement) with other groups and bodies – including this Government – to agree and implement such at the earliest opportunity.

Notes

It's unlikely that the UK can win fair votes without the Labour Party on side. With more Labour MPs and members in favour of reform than ever and with a huge majority of Labour voters saying they would support a manifesto c

**North East Bedfordshire**

## **PUBLIC SERVICES**

Conference notes that after decades of failed privatisation, our party is preparing to build incredible publicly owned public services. This means making public services democratic and accountable to the people who use them, and to wider society. Conference notes the 'When We Own It' report, submitted by We Own It to Labour's National Policy Forum in response to the consultation on public ownership. Conference believes that Labour should take on board the following recommendations from this report:

All publicly owned organisations should have the following duties:

- A duty to decarbonise our economy
- A duty to ensure access for all to public services
- A duty to work closely with communities
- A duty to steward and protect public assets and land
- A duty to maximise public scrutiny by being entirely transparent
- Citizens, civil society and workers should be at the heart of the governance structures in new publicly owned organisations
- A new, independent, democratically accountable organisation should be created with statutory powers to represent public service users, hold publicly owned companies to account and prevent future privatisation attempts
- Public services should foster a participatory culture where everyone is able to be involved in public services in whatever way, time and place is best for us
- New checks, balances and accountability mechanisms should be created and enforced to give the public more power
- Public ownership and participation should be embedded at the local level and connected to community projects, spaces and priorities.

**Carshalton and Wallington  
St Austell and Newquay**

## **REGISTERING ABSTENTIONS**

In order to avoid people voting for extremist and populist parties as a protest, NE Hampshire urges that ballot papers in all local, national and European elections carry the following options:

"Registered abstention"

"None of the above candidates"

The first of these will allow a protest against the electoral system. The second says that someone is happy with the democratic process but that they feel they would not be properly represented by any of the candidates.

This will not only divert protest votes from extremists and populists, but will increase voters' trust in the Labour Party by us demonstrating that we acknowledge that some may feel they are unrepresented by the current political system, and we offer them a chance to express this.

**North East Hampshire**

## **ROYAL MAIL**

Conference notes the CWU is balloting over 110,000 postal workers for strike action in Royal Mail in a dispute that is an indictment of privatisation, with over £1bn in dividends paid out to private shareholders since October 2013 while pressure has been ramped up on its workforce.

Conference expresses solidarity with CWU members and reiterates the pledge to bring Royal Mail back into public ownership.

Re-nationalisation must be based on a new democratic model of public ownership putting workers and the public at the heart of decision-making.

On the future of Royal Mail, Conference calls for:

- Royal Mail and the Post Office to be re-united in public ownership, with a new publicly owned Post Bank delivered through the Post Office network;
- a new democratic model of governance to embed the voice of the workforce and public in strategic decisions;
- a maximum pay ratio of 20:1;
- a renewed commitment to the six-day universal service;
- a commitment to honour legal protections agreed with the CWU in 2013, reaffirmed in 2018, that have prevented the introduction of insecure employment models and the break-up of the company;
- Royal Mail not to become just a parcels business but instead, to address structural letter decline, the priority must be to innovate and develop an expanded role for postal workers in local communities and tailored services for the local business economy; and
- any surplus to be reinvested in new services and operational decisions to be guided by growing and safeguarding Royal Mail as the People's Post.

**CWU**

## **RURAL INFRASTRUCTURE**

Conference notes that remote mainland areas have their own unique vulnerabilities.

My constituency has one main road from John O'Groats to the important city of Inverness which, if blocked, makes accessing increasingly centralized services inconvenient or even dangerous.

In February, a young, healthy, pregnant woman expecting twins had to be transported 100 miles from Wick (where the consultant led unit was closed in 2016) to Inverness when her waters prematurely broke. 50 miles on, an emergency led to one of the twins being born in Golspie's Community Hospital, before baby and mother were transported in separate ambulances to Inverness, where the second twin was born.

Huge country road networks, covering hundreds of miles, desperately need structural improvement but local authorities cannot remotely afford the repair costs.

Conference also notes the unreliability of bus services and lack of adequate rail services caused by cuts in local government subsidy and monopolization by private providers. Residents still largely rely on cars but, due also to the climate emergency, we need far reaching public transport alternatives.

Declining public services and a lack of good, well paying jobs, lead to young people and their families leaving the area. Highland Council figures from March forecast population declines from now until 2041 in Caithness (-21%), Sutherland (-11.9%) and East Ross (-13.8%).

Conference calls for a Remote Mainland Areas Protection Bill to be enshrined in law to provide a protected settlement to assist and protect UK areas like ours from above such challenges.

**Caithness, Sutherland and Ross**

## **SCHOOLS**

Conference notes:

- Only 7% of UK students attend private schools, yet the Sutton Trust 2019 report revealed that 65% of senior judges, 52% of junior ministers, 44% of news columnists and 16% of university vice-chancellors were educated in private schools.
- Children at private schools have 300% more spent on their education than children in state schools.
- Participation in private schooling is concentrated at the very top of the family income distribution
- A Populus poll revealed 63% of the public agree, "it is unfair that some people get a better education and life chances for their children by paying for a private school."

Conference believes:

- Labour must go further than the 2017 manifesto to challenge the elite privilege of private schools who dominate the top professions.
- The on-going existence of private schools is incompatible with Labour's pledge to promote social justice, not social mobility in education.
- Labour is opposed to hierarchy, elitism and selection in education.
- Private schools reflect and reinforce class inequality in wider society.

Conference resolves:

- To include in the next Labour Party general election manifesto a commitment to integrate all private schools into the state sector. This would include, but is not limited to:
- Withdrawal of charitable status and all other public subsidies and tax privileges, including business rate exemption.
- Ensure universities admit the same proportion of private school students as in the wider population (currently 7%)
- Endowments, investments and properties held by private schools to be redistributed democratically and fairly across the country's educational institutions.

**Battersea  
Bolton North East  
Southport**

The Broxbourne CLP ask Conference to consider a major review of the secondary school curriculum in English schools. The pressure arising from current Government policy concerning the EBacc and focus on English

performance in international education assessments (eg. PISA) has led to an over-concentration on specific areas of the secondary curriculum at the expense of others. These trends have led to a marginalisation of the humanities, vocational and creative subjects that are essential to enabling genuine opportunity and promoting the well being of young people. Broxbourne CLP asks that the Party carry out a systematic review to ensure that the curriculum for young people aged 11-18 considers all aspects of young people's social, intellectual, emotional, creative and physical development.

## **Broxbourne**

Conference welcomes Labour's commitment to ensure that all schools will be taken back under local democratic control under a Labour Government; applauds those Labour controlled authorities who resist academisation; believes that the Party should adopt more robust policies to oppose continuing academisation of schools and the perils to our communities once academised.

Conference notes that there are many local campaigns of opposition to the academisation programme involving parents, teachers and local community activists and believes Labour should offer support and encouragement to resist academisation and the negative impact once academised. Labour should support schools in Conservative-led areas to provide necessary representation from the communities. Labour should insist on better scrutiny of current academies.

"The main task in education for a Labour government will be to recreate a coherent, planned and appropriately funded national public system which is accountable to its various stakeholders and communities. However, the principles of accountability and collaboration which are central to our NES charter cannot be implemented whilst the current fragmented and semi-privatised school system persists. Conference agrees that in government, the Labour Party will bring all schools back under local democratic control including academy and Multi Academy Trusts. Therefore proposals to wind up MATs and turn over control and management of schools to local democratically controlled structures should be developed urgently.

Conference agrees that the Labour Party should work with the local communities, students, teaching unions, the SEA, academics and others to take this policy forward as a matter of urgency.

## **Central Devon**

Conference notes:

- The growth in number of multi-academy trusts (MATs) in England and the increasing size of most of them
- The subsequent large amount of public money now in the hands of these trusts
- The growing control each MAT has over its member schools including the top-slicing of individual school budgets to fund the staff and work of the trust
- The overall lack of accountability of these trusts in relation to the local communities in which they exist
- The current position whereby OFSTED has the power and responsibility to inspect individual schools within a MAT but not the MAT itself
- The lack of local democratic oversight within each MAT.

Conference therefore demands that OFSTED be given the power and responsibility to inspect all multi-academy trusts.

These inspections should cover:

- Trust governance
- Trust relationships with member schools and the degree and effectiveness of the control the trust has over them
- The management of trust finances including salary policies for key members of the trust's management

- The extent to which the trust supports the continued improvement of its member schools and the effectiveness of that support
- The openness of the working of the trust to the communities which its schools serve.

## **Haltemprice and Howden**

Conferences notes:

1. The mounting series of failings, scandals and collapses engulfing academy schools and trusts. We further note the inspiring struggles against academisation by school workers, parents and communities, many led by Labour members.
2. School workers' powerful campaign against high stakes testing, focused on primary education but with wider implications for the whole school system, and strongly welcome the party's commitment to abolish primary school SATs.
3. Labour's commitment to a democratic National Education Service, for the many not the few.

Conference believes:

1. That the principles of democracy and accountability are directly opposed to the process of school privatisation represented by the spread of academies and free schools.
2. That the culture of competition based on ever more onerous testing and Ofsted inspections is bad for students, school workers and society.
3. That private and grammar schools are also incompatible with an egalitarian and democratic education system.

The next Labour government will:

1. Stop all academisations and the opening of academies and free schools.
2. Abolish all academies, academy trusts and free schools; placing every state school and Further Education institution under local authority control.
3. Restore all funding cuts in schools and FE, and increase funding.
4. Place all private schools into local authority ownership and control.
5. Ensure all schools are open to all, comprehensive and secular.
6. Abolish Ofsted, SATs tests and league tables.
7. Restore national pay bargaining; implement the National Education Union's maximum class size demands; introduce a national Workload Charter.

## **Isle of Wight**

Conference notes:

It has now become obvious that Multi Academy Trusts (MATs) and even stand-alone academies are a charter for profiteering and even at times outright corruption, with lucrative contracts handed to family and friends. It is also true that too many private companies are providing services to schools that could better be provided in house. The result is public money meant for front line educational services finding its way into the pockets of private individuals.

Conference welcomes:

1. The commitment announced at the last conference, to consult on and establish a new regulatory framework for schools, to ensure that all schools follow the same rules, with schools being regulated by statute, rather than thousands of individual contracts.
2. The paper "Academies, autonomy, equality and democratic accountability: Reforming the fragmented publicly funded school system in England" (Wolfe and West) and the document

“Restoring a democratically accountable school system” from the SEA setting out a coherent plan for implementing this pledge.

3. The commitment made by John McDonnell in February 2018 when he declared Labour’s intention to “properly fund local authorities”, “bring services back in house” and “strengthen local democracy”.

Conference believes the Labour Party should now commit to ensuring:

1. Local Authorities establish reformed, democratically accountable local education committees with stakeholder representation.
2. That all publicly funded schools be brought back under the control of these new local education committees.
3. The newly empowered local education committees will be the default providers of school services and will be appropriately funded.

**Socialist Education Association  
South West Devon**

## **SEX WORK**

Conference notes:

Sex work takes place via phone, webcam, stripping, pole-dancing, modelling and porn and from escort agencies, flats, streets, parks, saunas, massage parlours, peep shows, BDSM venues, private parties and home. Selling sex itself is not illegal, but many laws criminalise associated activities that leave sex workers vulnerable and deprived of basic rights.

When sex workers receive criminal records related to their work, it makes it even harder for them to find other employment, keeping them in the industry.

Conference believes:

Sex work is work. While it is gendered, stigmatised and often precarious work, it is work that pays the rent, bills, and puts food on the table.

Criminalisation makes sex work dangerous. Current laws mean that sex workers are unable legally to work together to increase safety, and are discouraged from reporting crimes committed against them for fear of being arrested themselves.

People have the right to work in the sex industry without threat of criminal sanctions or police harassment.

Conference resolves:

To support and campaign for the full decriminalisation of sex work.

To support the unionisation of sex workers and to respect their demands for labour rights and to improve their working conditions, including occupational safety and health.

To campaign against any attempt to introduce the criminalisation of clients, often referred to as the Nordic Model, or any law criminalising the advertisement of sexual services (similar to FOSTA/SESTA) in the UK.

**Harrow West**

## **SOCIAL CARE**

England’s social care system is broken. Local Authorities have faced £700m cuts in 2018-19. With £7 billion slashed since 2010, 26% fewer older people receive support, while demand grows.

Most care is privatised, doesn’t reflect users’ needs and wishes, whilst charges increase.

Consequences include isolation, indignity, and maltreatment. Disabled and elderly people face barriers to inclusion and independent living, thousands feel neglected. 8 million unpaid, overworked family carers, including children and elderly relatives, provide vital support.

Public money goes to shareholders and hedge funds as profits. Service users and families face instability as companies go bust.

Staff wages, training and conditions are slashed. Staff turnover is over 30%.

We call on a future Labour Government to legislate a duty on the Secretary of State to provide a universal system of social care and support based on a universal right to independent living:

- Free at the point of use
- Fully funded through progressive taxation
- Subject to national standards based on article 19 of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities addressing the aspirations and choices of all users.
- Publicly, democratically run services, designed and delivered locally, co-productively involving local authorities, the NHS and service users, disabled people and carers
- Providing staff with nationally agreed training, qualifications, career structure, pay and conditions.
- Giving informal carers the rights and the support they need.

Labour to establish a taskforce involving user and carers organisations, trade unions, pensioners and disabled people's organisations to develop proposals for a national independent living support service, available to all on the basis of need.

**Bootle  
Halifax  
Leeds North East  
Lewisham Deptford**

There is no doubt that social care is in crisis. A crisis brought about by years of Conservative governments' ideological austerity policies. Today we have a failing system unable to meet current need; and certainly, unfit to respond to predicted future growth.

Bringing social care under a struggling NHS umbrella is not the answer. Indeed, the overwhelming majority of disabled people with social care packages do not receive healthcare interventions through support packages. No, healthcare and social care serve very different kinds of need.

Therefore, this Conference calls upon a newly elected Labour government to establish a National Independent Living Support Service (NILSS). A Service:

- that gives new universal right to independent living
- enshrined in law and delivered through a new national independent living service co-created between government and Disabled people,
- funded through general taxation and managed by central government,
- led by Disabled people and delivered locally in co-production with Disabled people.

Marrying social care to the NHS further medicalises disability in addition to denying the very things that disabled people are crying for...Independence, Choice and Control - things only deliverable by the establishment of a National Independent Living Support Service.

**Bromley and Chislehurst**

The Reclaim Social Care Conference demands that the Labour Party legislates a duty on the Secretary of State to provide a universal system of social care and support based on a universal right to independent living:

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## **Ealing North**

Our recognises that England's social care system is broken. Local Authorities face £700 million cuts in 2018-2019. With £7 billion slashed since 2010, 26% fewer older people receive support, while demand grows. Most care is privatised, does not reflect users' needs and wishes, whilst charges increase. Consequences include isolation, indignity and maltreatment. Disabled and elderly people face barriers to inclusion and independent living and thousands feel neglected. 8 million unpaid, overworked family carers, including children and elderly relatives, provide vital support. Public money goes to shareholders and hedge funds as profits. Service users and families face instability as companies go bust. Staff wages, training and conditions are slashed. Staff turnover is over 30%.

Branch demands that Labour legislates a duty on the Secretary of State to provide a universal system of social care and support based on a universal right to independent living:

- Free at the point of use
- Fully funded through progressive taxation
- Subject to national standards based on article 19 of the United Nations convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities addressing the aspirations and choices of all users.
- Publicly, democratically run services, designed and delivered locally, co-productively involving local authorities, the NHS and service users, disabled people and carers.
- Providing staff with nationally agreed training qualifications, career structure, pay and conditions.
- Giving informal carers the rights and the support they need.

Labour to establish a taskforce involving users and carers' organisations, trade unions, pensioners and disabled people's organisations to develop proposals for a national independent living support service, available to all on the basis of need.

## **Ealing Southall**

Conference notes that the 2019 NPF called for the repeal Health and Social Care Act, the renationalisation of the NHS and additional funding for the NHS, Social Care and Public Health to expand the workforces in these sectors and provide training to achieve an "integrated and coordinated health and care service.

They are essentially unchanged from those adopted in 2017 and fail to address the particular funding issues in social care – addressed in the following.

1. Make the provision of all social care free to recipient as is the case for health care under the NHS.

2. Transfer responsibility for funding social care from the LA to the national exchequer.
3. Distribute funding to the LA's for social care on the basis of the population served (age, sex and deprivation) and the cost of the care.
4. Fund social care to provide a pay rise of at least 35% to all care workers below or on the minimum wage.

### **Newcastle Upon Tyne Central**

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Bringing social care under a struggling NHS umbrella is not the answer. Healthcare and social care serve very different kinds of need.

Therefore, this Conference calls upon a newly elected Labour government to establish a National Independent Living Support Service (NILSS).

A Service:

- That provides a new universal right to independent living
- Enshrined in law and delivered through a new National Independent Living Service co-created between government and disabled people/service users,
- Funded through general taxation and managed by central government,
- Led by Disabled people and those using the Service and delivered locally in co-production with Disabled people and its users.

Marrying social care to the NHS further medicalises disability in addition to denying the very things that disabled, sick and elderly people are crying for Independence, Choice and Control – things only deliverable by the establishment of a National Independent Living Support Service.

### **Norwich North**

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Consequences include isolation, indignity, maltreatment. Disabled and elderly people face barriers to inclusion and independent living, thousands feel neglected. 8 million unpaid, overworked family carers, including children and elderly relatives, provide vital support.

Public money goes to shareholders and hedgefunds as profits. Service users and families face instability as companies go bust overnight.

Staff wages, training and conditions are pared to the bone. Staff turnover is over 30%.

Conference demands Labour places a duty on the SoS to deliver comprehensive social care and support:

- Free at the point of use
- Fully funded through progressive taxation
- Subject to national standards ensured by local authorities
- Publicly provided through local authorities and the NHS in partnership
- Locally democratic and designed by service users and carers in partnership with local authorities and the NHS, delivered as far as possible by service users.
- Addressing aims, aspirations and choices of all users
- Providing staff with training, qualifications, career structure, decent pay and conditions
- Giving informal carers the rights and support they need.

Labour to set up a taskforce to develop a universal care and support service working with user groups, in collaboration with a national independent living service and available to all on basis of need, based on article 19 of the UNCRPD.

Conference notes the current postcode lottery of Social Care funding and the real hardship and unfairness this causes.

Impacting on the most vulnerable within our society reducing life expectancy, health outcomes and wellbeing.

Conference calls on the next Labour government to remove the current model for Social Care funding and develop a joined-up strategy that provides for Health Care alongside the delivery of Social Care.

Serious consideration should now be given to the funding of Social Care via the Central Government's National Insurance (NI) receipts, rather than through local authority rates and grants. By eliminating the marginal NI tax break for employees earning over £50,000 per year and withdrawing the age bar for NI payments on earnings, the UK could raise at least an extra £20 billion and £30 billion extra per year. By introducing higher marginal rates for both employees and employers NI, the amount raised could be even higher.

Conference resolves that within the first term of a new Labour Government, a White Paper should be presented to this effect to the House and, where possible, seek cross party support to ensure its rapid implementation.

## **SOCIAL SECURITY**

This Labour Party notes:

- The steady stream of increasingly appalling revelations and scandals surrounding cuts to benefits, including those associated with the introduction of 'Universal Credit'.
- John McDonnell's pledge to scrap Universal Credit and the party's announcement of a review of the whole benefits system.

The situation is shameful. Labour must completely reverse the decades-long drive, brutally accelerating since 2010, to make welfare less and less about supporting those in need and more and more stingy, punitive and coercive. Neither Universal Credit nor the existing framework (JSA, ESA, etc) are good. We must redesign benefits in close consultation with recipients, workers and their organisations. This must be part of a wider anti-poverty program, with a goal that by the end of our first term food-banks disappear.

Labour should clearly commit to and campaign for:

1. Ending the benefit freeze; up-rating with inflation or earnings, whichever is higher.
2. Reversing all cuts/reductions; increasing benefits to afford a comfortable, not minimum, income.
3. Entitlement conditions that are straightforward, inclusive and available to all, including migrants (scrap 'No recourse to public funds').
4. Paying benefits for all children and dependants.
5. Abolishing all sanctions.
6. Scrapping Work Capability and similar assessments.
7. Relevant health issues being addressed using medical professionals with appropriate knowledge of individuals' conditions and disabilities.

8. Delivery by paid public servants via networks accessible to everyone, including provision of face-to face support for all who need it. Reversing DWP cuts and privatisation.

**Basingstoke**

## **TAX REFORM**

Conference believes that no taxation should be regressive, taking a greater proportion of income from the lower paid than the better off. To achieve this will require the reform of Council Tax and National Insurance payments.

**Clwyd South**

Conference notes a 2018 UN report found a fifth of the UK population lives in poverty, with in-work poverty a growing trend. While Tories are declaring record employment levels, the reality is exploitation.

Paying less than the cost of living isn't confined to the private sector. The Living Wage Foundation reported 1.2 million people working for the NHS, and other public sector employers, receive unsustainably low wages and are trapped in in-work poverty.

Conference moves that publishing pay ratios is not enough to tackle poverty; pay needs to be regulated. We should build on the 2017 Manifesto's commitment to restrict maximum pay ratios of 20:1 in the public sector and Rethink a fair wage as 1/20th of the top rate of pay, not a fixed number Living Wage

Regard all outsourced workers in the UK as paid by the outsourcing organisation

Provide incentives, such as a Fair Employer mark or financial benefits, to all private sector companies to:- Set a lowest pay rate of at least 1/20th of the highest pay rate (including non-cash incentives);-

Pay a fair wage that employees can live on independently.-

Give workers majority representation on executive remuneration committees by workers ballot

Specify every high pay as more than 30 times the lowest pay rate;

Progressively clamp down on multinational and other offshore businesses by legislating the proportion of profits deemed to have been made in the UK.

**West Suffolk**

## **TRIDENT**

Conference reconfirms Labour's commitment to multilateral nuclear disarmament and believes only multilateral talks will lead to a nuclear free world.

Conference believes that while other major powers retain nuclear deterrents, the UK should maintain a strategic nuclear deterrent and participate in multilateral disarmament talks with a view to the negotiated disarmament of all the nuclear armed states.

Conference believes that this requires the renewal of the UK's Trident nuclear deterrent and the submarines that carry it, as without a modern and credible system we will have no ability to deter nuclear-armed states, and no role in any multilateral disarmament negotiations.

Conference notes that according to YouGov (July 2016), just 22% of Britons think we should scrap our Trident Submarines and missiles altogether.

Conference notes that non-renewal of Trident would incur millions of pounds of costs in cancelled contracts and will result in thousands of redundancies at world-class engineering centres in Barrow, Derby, Faslane, as well as throughout the multi-billion pound supply chain.

Conference notes that Trident renewal does not breach any article of the Nuclear Proliferation Treaty; the UK can continue its treaty obligations to pursue disarmament negotiations in 'good faith'.

**Barrow and Furness**

## **UNIVERSAL BASIC INCOME**

Conference resolves that the Labour party transform the current welfare and taxation system: that a Labour government move to a universal safety net for all, abolishing the climate of sanctions created by Universal Credit. Conference notes that it is a basic right that no citizen should endure poverty and rely on food banks in one of the richest countries in the world. Conference resolves to support replacing most benefits with a Universal Basic income or a similar guaranteed income by the state, alongside a guaranteed Universal Basic Service which ensures adequate social infrastructure accessible for all. This party strives to release the disadvantaged and the working poor from poverty, in doing so increasing productivity; unleashing potential; and restoring credibility to our contributory benefits system.

**Workington**

## **WELL BEING BUDGET**

"Despite being one of the richest countries in the world, many UK citizens are experiencing a crisis of well-being as a consequence of increasing inequality, child poverty, insecure work, homelessness and mental health problems. This motion is inspired by developments in New Zealand which has designed its entire national budget on wellbeing priorities to address the growing disparities between the haves and have-nots by allocating " billions for mental health services and child poverty (and) measures to tackle family violence".\* The NZ Minister of Finance summed this up as "wellbeing means people living lives of purpose, balance and meaning to them, and having the capabilities to do so" Well-being indicators can include measures of the growth in:

- Human capital, including Health & Education,
- Social capital, including Trust, Social Relations, Culture & identity
- Natural capital, including Ecosystems, Water & Sanitation, Air quality, Climate, Energy Resources & Waste

The Derbyshire Dales calls upon the future Labour Government to budget in order to prioritise the advance of well-being in the UK. This means assessing the state of the nation not just on GDP growth, but on its overall well-being as indicated by such measures as improved mental health, reduced child poverty and better environmental protection.

\* <https://www.theguardian.com/world/2019/may/30/new-zealand-wellbeing-budget-jacinda-ardern-unveils-billions-to-care-for-most-vulnerable>"

**Derbyshire Dales**

## **WOMEN'S PENSIONS**

North Thanet calls upon a future Labour Government to include in the manifesto how it will address the injustice and implement solutions that will be fair for all 1950s born women, solutions that will not result in a reduced pension during retirement and greater detail of how women will be compensated for this injustice.

**North Thanet**

## **WORKING HOURS**

"Working-time is a major industrial and political issue in the UK. Compared to other countries in Europe, we have some of the worst public and statutory holiday entitlements; full-time workers have amongst the longest hours of any country; and with the forthcoming increase in the state pension age, we will have the longest working lives.

But this has not delivered benefits to workers: average pay is lower than before the financial crash; productivity lags significantly behind other countries; and in-work stress is at record levels.

Instead of building a country that works for everyone the Tories are building a country in which you work until you drop – and with the current imbalance of power in the economy, new technology and automation risk exacerbating this by continuing to intensify work, polarise terms and conditions and replace jobs entirely. Conference believes that reducing the standard working week, with no loss of pay, must be a central pledge in the manifesto and a key aim of a Labour government. In particular, Conference believes this should be part of the strategy to address under-employment, build a more sustainable economy, boost productivity and ensure workers benefit from the 4th industrial revolution.

Conference believes Labour should go beyond the pledge to introduce four new public holidays and commit to setting out a plan to achieve a standard four day or 32 hour gross week with no loss of pay within a decade through sectoral collective bargaining and a new 'UK Shorter Working Time Directive.'

**CWU**

"This Conference is seriously concerned that UK workers work longer hours than their European counterparts and work unpaid overtime worth billions of pounds. The recent report from Autonomy and the 4 Day Week Campaign outlines the health and wellbeing costs of overwork. Work-related anxiety, stress or depression accounts for half of all working days lost to ill health, so we are clear of the importance of calling for the introduction of a four day, 30 hour week with no loss of pay.

This Conference recognises a reduction in working time leading to opportunities for parents and a decrease in gender inequality. We note the review for Labour by Lord Skidelsky into the introduction of shorter

working time with no loss of pay.

Conference believes there is a growing consensus around reductions in working time, including support from the TUC, STUC, Labour Party frontbenchers, individual unions and 63% of the population. The risks and opportunities of new automative technologies is understood and that a reduction in the working week with no loss in pay is a method by which we can share the benefits of increased productivity.

We call on the Labour Party

- To support the Labour for a 4 Day Week campaign.
- To include in the next manifesto a commitment to introduce a four day, 30 hour week (or any equivalent variation) with no loss of pay for those who want it by the end of the next Labour government's first full Parliamentary term."

**Perthshire North  
Perthshire South and Kinross-shire**

## **WORKPLACE DEATHS**

Conference notes:

- 1) There was a 5% increase in the number of workplace deaths across the UK in 2018.
- 2) There was a disproportionately higher increase of 70% in workplace deaths in Scotland.
- 3) Scotland has the highest rate of workplace deaths per 100,000 workers in the UK.

Conference recognises:

- 1) The Health and Safety Executive's (HSE) budget has been reduced by more than 40% since 2010.
- 2) The HSE has lost more than 1,000 staff over the last eight years.
- 3) There has not been a single prosecution in Scotland under the Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007.

Conference believes:

- 1) Nine years of Tory austerity have hampered the HSE's ability to enforce health and safety standards in UK workplaces.
- 2) The current reporting tools used by the HSE underestimate the true scale of work-related deaths, diseases and injuries in the UK.
- 3) The law relating to Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide is not fit for purpose.

Conference supports:

- 1) A reversal of cuts made to the HSE's budget since 2010, particularly in relation to staffing levels.

- 2) A review of the current reporting tools used by the HSE to ensure that the full scale of work-related deaths, diseases and injuries is captured.
- 3) A strengthening of the law relating to Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide."

**Strathkelvin and Bearsde**

## **YEMEN**

Conference notes the UN has characterised the current situation in Yemen as the worst humanitarian crisis in the world today. Approximately 80% of the population is dependent upon emergency food and medical aid. 1.8 million children are enduring acute malnutrition; and 85,000 children under the age of five have starved to death in the past three years.

This situation is entirely due to the Saudi led war upon the country, reinforced by a siege of all points of access. After four years of systematic bombardment, and occupation of large parts of the country, the Saudi coalition has destroyed much of the infrastructure of the poorest country in the Middle East.

Conference condemns the Tory Government's support for the war. There is no military solution, yet the Tories are licensing arms sales, supplying intelligence, logistics and British military personnel to the Saudi coalition. Nearly £5 billion in arms licenses has already been granted. We call for the immediate suspension of such sales. We call for a halt on all conventional UK military operations in Yemen.

Conference condemns the government for refusing to support an independent investigation into breaches of international humanitarian law by the Saudi coalition. This is despite well documented evidence of continuing attacks upon civilian targets including schools, medical facilities, markets, etc.

We commend Labour's Front Bench for challenging the Tories' complicity in the suffering of the Yemeni people. We welcome the commitment of an incoming Labour government to embargo arms sales and support an independent enquiry.

**Birmingham, Hall Green**

We note with alarm the senseless war in Yemen. Up to 100,000 including many children have died, 14 million are living in abject poverty and 2.5 million people have been displaced. Millions more are now at risk as famine looms.

We welcome the UN call for the cessation of hostilities and urge all parties engaged in this conflict to immediately stop the fighting and sit around a negotiating table to chart out a peace process in Yemen.

We resolve that Labour must immediately call on HM Government and the UN to exert pressure on the warring parties to abide by international law; and that the UN itself, for the purposes of legitimacy, opens up the peace process to all participants concerned without exception, namely Saudi Arabia, UAE, Iran, the Houthis, the legitimate government and the Southern Transitional Council (STC). The peace process must include resolution of the Southern issue, either through self-determination or a mediated solution.

We call on all parties to reconvene a parliamentary debate on the Yemen crisis, to prevail on the government to endorse a UN sponsored ceasefire unreservedly, and to open direct UK level talks with the warring parties named above for the purposes of achieving peace in Yemen.

## **YOUTH SERVICES**

### Background

Conference abhors recent cuts in Youth Service Funding and notes how these are linked to recent dramatic increases in knife crime, mental health problems, self-harming, suicides drug abuse and gang culture. We also note right wing fascist , racist attitudes are increasing resultant from lack of good political and social education and that new investment in Community Centres, is badly needed.

Conference believes people experientially learn values from a young age and throughout their lives. Consequently, Children's Play provision Services and Adult & Community Education Services have an important role to play helping to develop the environment in which young people develop their identity, self-image, confidence and social skills. Consequently, we believe that Youth service is all about informal education in the context of community development where young people live.

### Recommendation

Conference therefore proposes that development of a Statutory Youth and Community Development Service is prioritised in the Labour Party's 2020 Manifesto, and will be: integral in the proposed National Education Service; prioritise the most disadvantaged people; rooted in and accountable to local communities; and provide community development support, engaging with families and community organisations.

Local Authorities will be mandated and funded to develop this Youth and Community Development Service including Partnerships between Statutory, Voluntary, and Community sectors to maximise resources and follow the Vision outlined in Labour's draft Charter.

**West Lancashire**