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# **CONFERENCE ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE**

REPORT 4 to Conference 2022

Wednesday 28 September 2022



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## Conference Arrangements Committee (CAC)

Members: Harry Donaldson (Chair), Emily Rowles, Mick Murphy, Tracey Fussey, Seema Chandwani, Billy Hayes, Lynne Morris, Katrina Murray

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Room 17 can be found on the Terrace Corridor of the Exhibition and Conference Centre. This is on the Upper Level and can be reached by the escalator and lifts by the Party Stand, near the main entrance

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The CAC Steward, will be available in the waiting area next to the CAC Office to answer delegates' queries.

### CAC Daily Reports

These will be handed to delegates as they enter the Conference Hall.

A copy will be emailed to delegates each morning by 8am and posted on our secure website by 8am at: <https://labour.org.uk/conference/visitors/delegate-hub/reports-for-conference-2022/>

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

In an effort to reduce the amount of paper we use at Conference. This year, visitors are asked to use the online copy of the report. Delegates and visitors will find the QR code signs around the centre that will link them to all the CAC reports.

## Today's Agenda

<b>Wednesday 28 September – Morning Session</b>	
Chair: Alice Perry	
09.44	<b>Conference Reconvenes</b>

	<p><b>Results of ballot</b></p> <p><i>Chief Scrutineer</i></p>
09.45	<p><b>Conference Arrangements Committee</b></p> <p><i>Harry Donaldson, Chair of CAC</i></p>
09.55	<p><b>Public Services That Work From The Start Debate</b></p> <p><i>Wes Streeting MP, Shadow Secretary of State For Health and Social Care</i></p> <p><i>Rosena Allin-Khan MP, Shadow Minister for Mental Health</i></p> <p><i>Bridgett Phillipson MP, Shadow Chief Secretary to the Treasury</i></p> <p>Includes;</p> <p>Proposals to reference back;</p> <p>NPF Report – Public Services That Work From The Start Policy Commission Annual Report</p> <p>Composite 15 – HEALTH</p> <p>Composite 16 – EARLY YEARS AND CHILD CARE</p> <p>Emergency Motion – Support for Children and Families</p> <p>NPF Report Public Services That Work From The Start Policy Commission Annual Report</p>
11.25	<p><b>Votes</b></p> <p>Proposals to reference back;</p> <p>NPF Report – Public Services That Work From The Start Policy Commission Annual Report</p> <p>Composite 15 – HEALTH</p> <p>Composite 16 – EARLY YEARS AND CHILD CARE</p> <p>Emergency Motion – Support for Children and Families</p> <p>NPF Report Public Services That Work From The Start Policy Commission Annual Report</p>

11.30	<b>International Speaker</b> <i>Sviatlana Tsikhanouskaya, Leader of the Belarusian Democratic Movement</i>
11.45	<b>Angela Rayner</b>
12.00	<b>Closing Formalities</b>

## Conference Sessions and Timetable

Wednesday 28 September	09:45 – 11.30
	12:00 – 12.30

### Conference Timetable

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

## Conference Business

- a. Reports from the National Executive Committee (NEC)
  - Labour Party Annual Report including the 2021 annual accounts
  - NEC Constitutional Amendments
  - NEC Statements
  - Standing Orders for Annual Conference
- b. Reports from the National Policy Forum (NPF) and the six policy commissions: A green and digital future, Better jobs and better work, Safe and secure communities, Public services that work from the start, A future where families come first, Britain in the world.
- c. Other items
  - The Parliamentary Report from the Leader of the Labour Party – Leader’s Speech
  - Composite Motions

- Women's Conference Motions
- Constitutional Amendments from CLPs
- Emergency Motions
- Reference backs

## **Time limits for speakers**

Movers of reports, motions and rule changes will be allowed three minutes, with other speakers from the floor allowed two minutes including those planning to second.

Those who wish to move a reference back will be allowed to speak for one minute. Only fully accredited delegates appointed in accordance with the party rules are entitled to move motions on behalf of their organisations.

Motions and reports can be formally seconded from the floor without a speech. To maximise participation contributions are limited to one speech per delegate for each session of Conference. Those wishing to speak should indicate to the chair by raising their hand whilst remaining seated. The waving of items to attract attention is not permitted and stewards will enforce this rule.

## **Litter**

Delegates are reminded that they should take any litter with them when they leave the conference hall and be mindful of any litter in and around the conference centre.

## **Sale and Distribution of Material**

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

# Safeguarding and Visitor Safety

## Safeguarding Code of Conduct

Attendees are asked to read the Party's Safeguarding Code of Conduct, which outlines the requirements upon all of us to keep children and adults-at-risk safe. A copy can be accessed online at <https://labour.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Safeguarding-Code-of-Conduct-2020.pdf>

## Reporting Safeguarding Concerns for Children and Adults-at-Risk

The Labour Party Safeguarding Unit works closely with other internal teams and external organisations to manage any safeguarding concerns and to help keep individuals safe from harm and abuse, throughout all Party activity.

We want everyone to feel safe at Conference. If you see or hear something which concerns you, you can report it through one of the below channels:

Saturday 24th September – Wednesday 28th September, between 9:30am – 6:30pm\*

Safeguarding Line: 0207 783 1134

Conference Mobile: 07885 472 101

Email: [safeguarding@labour.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@labour.org.uk)

\*Outside of the above stated times, or in an emergency, contact 101 or 999.

If you are concerned about your own safety you can use the above contact details to reach the Safeguarding Unit or ask a steward or staff member to put you in touch (you will not be asked by a steward or staff member to explain why). Staff from the Safeguarding Unit are on-site and will step-in to ensure individuals are supported and kept safe, as well as identifying any other steps needed to protect others.

## Left Luggage

A left luggage facility will be available today between 8am and 5pm for delegates who need to check out of their accommodation this morning. This will be located in the M&S Bank Arena, next to the Conference Services office.

Luggage cannot be taken into the conference venues.

## Accessibility

We have a number of services onsite to facilitate a conference that is accessible for all. CAC reports are transcribed into an accessible format at delegates' request. BSL interpreters will be translating all plenary sessions in the main hall and there is a live palantypist service that is accessed via a dedicated website also in the main hall.

The ACC Liverpool is fully accessible. If you would like assistance at Conference please contact the Conference Team in advance on 0345 092 3311 or at [conferenceservices@labour.org.uk](mailto:conferenceservices@labour.org.uk) to discuss your requirements, including mobility aids. Our Disability Co-ordinator, will be available throughout Conference and can be contacted on 07545 421 411 from Saturday 25 September. Full details about the facilities and services to assist delegates and visitors with disabilities can be found in the Conference Magazine.

## Policy Commission Debates

The four remaining policy commissions contained within the NPF Report will be debated at the following times during Conference:

WEDNESDAY AM      Public Services That Work From The Start

## Reference Backs

### Public Services That Work From the Start

One reference back on the Britain In the World section of the NPF report have been received and accepted by the CAC. This is detailed below and will be moved and debated in the Britain In the World debate starting at 15.45pm today.

**Policy Commission Area:** Public services that work from the start

**Subsection:** Health and Mental Health Services

**Organisation Name:** Socialist Health Association

**Paragraph to Ref back:**



Labour has set out a guiding principle that it will protect an NHS free at the point of use and secure health care for all.

**Reasoning:**

The only way to secure universal, comprehensive health care for all, free at the point of use, is via a publicly funded, publicly provided NHS as envisaged by Bevan. Health services are better quality, more equitable and cost-effective when nationally planned and provided by democratically-accountable public bodies with local expertise.

The National Policy Forum must stipulate public provision throughout all levels of the NHS in its policies, including mental health, from service planning and infrastructure through to clinical and preventive services.

A Labour government must commit to ending 'Integrated Care Systems', re-instate the NHS as a public service, end commercialisation and profiteering, and abandon public sector cuts.

Billions are siphoned off via ICSs into profits for private healthcare and financial institutions. With capped budgets, health care provision is dependent on financial constraints, not patient nor population health care need.

The NPF policy must secure public provision and end ICSs.

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**Policy Commission Area:** Public services that work from the start

**Subsection:** Conclusions - Health and Mental Health Services

**Organisation Name:** Labour International CLP

**Paragraph to Ref back:**

Labour has set out a guiding principle that it will protect an NHS free at the point of use and secure health care for all. This means bringing down waiting lists and securing the future of our NHS by providing the staff, equipment and modern technology needed to treat patients on time.

**Reasoning:**

The following must be added at the end of the above paragraph;

"As long as the NHS (along with social care services) is splintered between public and private (profit-driven) control it will not be able to uphold the principles on which it was founded. Lifelong Care for all those resident in Britain, free at the point of service, and free throughout the care process, can only be achieved when the profit motive of

private providers is removed and the service is fully under public control and accountable to the people. Not only should this be the philosophical and policy basis advocated by the Labour Party, it will also be a very successful main theme of a Labour general election campaign”

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**Policy Commission Area:** Public services that work from the start

**Subsection:** Conclusions: Education and Skills

**Organisation Name:** Beverley and Holderness CLP

**Paragraph to Ref back:**

I wish to reference back the entire subsection titled "Conclusions: Education and Skills":

"As set out in the 2021 NPF annual report, Labour is committed to an ambitious Children’s Recovery Plan. In response to the damage done to children’s education by the pandemic and lockdown, Labour announced in June 2021, and urged the government to adopt, a two-year programme of breakfast clubs and new afterschool activities for every child, small group tutoring for all who need it, an expanded development offer for teachers, and an uplift in targeted funding to support children who lost out most during the pandemic, in particular those with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND). This ambitious plan demonstrates Labour’s commitment to children’s development, education, and wellbeing and recognises the key role these play in our national recovery from the pandemic.

Labour’s vision for education is a system that can transform opportunities, grow our economy and provide a platform for a rewarding life. As a first step towards this vision, at Annual Conference 2021 Labour announced the introduction of a National Excellence Programme for schools to drive up outcomes for every child, paid for by ending tax exemptions for private schools. The programme will:

- create a £350 million teacher recruitment fund to recruit over 6,500 new

teachers, filling vacancies and skills gaps across schools in England;

- reform Ofsted's role to enhance its focus on schools that are struggling; establish a £200 million teacher development fund to enable school staff in England to access continuing professional development; and
- establish an 'excellence in leadership' programme on a par with the early career framework for teachers to equip all new head teachers and leaders with the knowledge and skills to lead outstanding schools.

These announcements seek to address the vacancies and skills gaps in schools that have opened up over more than a decade of Conservative government, as discussed during the evidence session and in multiple submissions. They demonstrate Labour's positive approach to supporting teachers and school leaders to progress and excel, in order to improve educational outcomes for all children and tackle inequalities.

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**Policy Commission Area:** Public services that work from the start

**Subsection:** The principles that should underpin the provision of public services

**Organisation Name:** Sutton and Cheam CLP

**Paragraph to Ref back:**

The commission held an online members' roundtable on the principles that should underpin Labour's approach to public services. The commission heard from members on the importance of the equality, accountability, accessibility, and inclusivity of services, on devolution where appropriate, on creating person-centred systems, and on ensuring that services are environmentally and financially sustainable.

**Reasoning:**

Whilst being "financially sustainable" is one aspect of funding, the NPF should also consider including text that local government should be "adequately resourced" to deliver effectively on priorities around social care, mental health and SEND.

**Policy Commission Area:** Public services that work from the start

**Subsection:** Health and Mental Health Services

**Organisation Name:** Dulwich and West Norwood CLP

**Paragraph to Ref back:**

Labour has set out a guiding principle that it will protect an NHS free at the point of use and secure health care for all. This means bringing down waiting lists and securing the future of our NHS by providing the staff, equipment and modern technology needed to treat patients on time.

**Reasoning:**

The recent report, Ethnic Inequalities in Healthcare: A Rapid Evidence Review from the NHS Race and Health Observatory (February 2022) highlights the poor experience and worse health outcomes experienced by Black, Asian and ethnic minority groups in the NHS. This is relevant and recent information which the NPF may wish to consider and acknowledge in its findings.

Suggested ammendment: Add sentence at end of paragraph.

The Commission/Labour Party takes note of the health outcome inequalities identified by 'Ethnic Inequalities in Healthcare: A Rapid Evidence Review from the NHS Race and Health Observatory (February 2022)' and will seek to monitor and address any such disparities in the provision of public services generally and healthcare in particular.

## **Composite Motions**

### Composite 15 - HEALTH

Conference notes:

- 12 years of Conservative underfunding, neglect and mismanagement have left our NHS with waiting lists at the highest on record and the lowest level of patient satisfaction since 1997
- those needing mental health support have been particularly let down
- that the imposition of US-style structures such as Integrated Care Systems (ICSs) in the Health and Care Act 2022 shows how corporate involvement in

policy making leads to private profits at the expense of patient care and workers' pay

- that the ICSs, rather than integrate, obstruct high quality social care alongside the NHS
- that the personal experiences of many in countries with healthcare for profit systems, most notably the USA, warn of the dangers of privatised healthcare systems
- that there is a crisis in which GPs work under extreme pressure, beyond contracted hours; numbers entering training will not sustain the workforce
- that good mental health runs through all aspects of life and can only be tackled as an embedded part of wider living standards
- a quarter of mental health beds have been cut, over a third of children were turned away from mental health services last year alone, and right now 1.6 million people are waiting for mental health treatment
- that Labour created the NHS and should be its primary defender and reject any plan to increase privatisation in the healthcare system.

Conference reaffirms:

- Labour's unequivocal commitment to a publicly funded, publicly provided, publicly accountable, universal and comprehensive National Health Service.
- There must be direct employment of NHS workers, ending commercialisation and fragmentation and the use of outsourcing, private providers and public-private partnerships within the NHS.
- Ending outsourcing better enables our friends and allies in the union movement to secure fair pay and conditions for their members, whose work during the pandemic saved tens of thousands of lives.
- Health services are of better quality, more equitable and cost-effective when nationally planned and provided by democratically-accountable, public authorities with local expertise.
- The socialist achievements of the Welsh government in publicly providing and funding a public Welsh NHS

Conference resolves Labour must:

- adopt a position of unequivocal support for the National Health Service and a position of outright opposition and commit to vote against any and all forms of privatisation of the NHS;
- commit to returning all privatised portions of the NHS to public control upon forming a Government;
- not accept donations from companies interested in outsourcing NHS functions;
- immediately launch a public campaign against privatisation of the NHS and actively support current campaigns and activist groups;
- publicly support all NHS Trade Unions campaigning to return to and retain all public control of the NHS, including, but not limited to any legal Industrial action;
- commit to support GPs so that everyone can access care when needed and staff are developed and valued;
- guarantee an appointment for all citizens
- allow medical professionals to use a variety of appointment types (e.g. virtual or in-person) based on medical need
- provide more places for General Practice, Nurse Practitioners, and other staff roles where a shortage exists
- build and maintain an NHS fit for the future, by providing the staff, equipment and modern technology needed to treat patients on time.
- commit to a national well-being strategy in which mental health prevention is embedded within wider aims. The strategy would elevate the importance of mental health and link to other policy areas of our society and economy.

Conference therefore resolves:

- To repeal the Health and Care Act 2022 and to reverse and eliminate Integrated Care Systems
- To establish a publicly funded, publicly provided, publicly accountable, universal and comprehensive National Health Service
- To return all privatised portions of the NHS to public control upon forming a Government;
- To ensure a Labour government and economy are fit to handle another pandemic with proper preparations and regulations.
- To ensure Labour invests in research that focuses on epidemiology, biomedical sciences and research in other STEM fields, bracing for all forms of a pandemic.
- To establish comprehensively improved public health

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

**Mover:** Socialist Health Association  
**Seconded:** Lewisham Deptford CLP

## Composite 16 - EARLY YEARS AND CHILDCARE

Conference notes:

The UK is one of the most expensive countries in the world for childcare. Parents face huge difficulties finding the right care for their children.

Early years childcare workers are undervalued and underpaid for the work they do

A 2% investment in care produces double the number of jobs for women and almost as many jobs for men as the same investment in construction. Investment in free universal child care especially, returns almost all its initial investment.

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

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

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

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

A solution to this crisis is including childcare as essential infrastructure in Labour's industrial strategy. Investment in social infrastructure supports the rest of the economy at least as much as physical infrastructure such as roads.

Conference believes:

The UK needs an active industrial strategy that invests in childcare infrastructure to achieve a better functioning, more flexible and fairer economy.

Without immediate action to support women to stay in work we risk losing decades of progress on women's equality.

Investing in childcare infrastructure will ensure women are key players in economic recovery, lead to higher incomes for women and reduce the gender pay gap.

Conference resolves;

For Childcare to be considered infrastructure and a key part of regional and national industrial strategies

To develop an industrial strategy, in partnership with trade unions, service providers, service users and other stakeholders, which includes:

Good quality affordable and accessible childcare for all including early childhood education and activities before and after school.

Professional recognition for early years' childcare workers.

**Mover:** Bristol South CLP  
**Seconded:** Bristol West CLP

## **Emergency Motion**

Conference notes the recent re-launch of the No Child Left Behind Campaign by the National Education Union and Daily Mirror on 22nd September that calls for urgent action to tackle child poverty as the cost-of-living crisis bites. This campaign is supported by multiple notable signatories and over 100 civil society groups from all corners of the country, from trade unions to medical bodies, from faith groups to elected representatives.

Conference notes that the campaign calls for the roll out of universal free school meals to help the 4 million children who are now living in poverty across the country, with a record two thirds of them from in-work families.

Conference notes that a quarter of all school age children are now eligible for free school meals under the current criteria, but over 10 percent do not claim them due to bureaucracy and stigma. Nearly half of children living in poverty are not eligible for free school meals.

Conference notes that means-testing thresholds are being rapidly surpassed by inflation and the cost-of-living crisis, and the best way to prevent children from going hungry this winter is to provide a hot, nutritious meal for every child at school.



Conference notes the long-term benefits of investing in universal free school meals in improving educational, attainment, dietary and attendance levels.

Conference notes there is a crisis in school budgets and that the government has so far not committed to fund the massive increases in energy, staffing and food costs schools face. It notes too that there is a growing shortage of teachers and support staff. Schools would be in a position to provide much needed welfare support to families if they are properly funded.

Conference calls on the leadership to take up the calls of the No Child Left Behind campaign and commit to rolling out universal free school meals for all pupils in primary and secondary schools.

Conference calls on the party at all levels to campaign for an increase in school funding to cover increased energy costs, free school meals for all, breakfast clubs and decent pay rises for teachers and support staff.

Conference expresses solidarity with education unions should they take action to protect their members' living standards.

**Mover:** Socialist Educational Association  
**Second:** Liverpool Riverside CLP

## Appendix 1 – Ballot Results

### National Constitutional Committee – Division III – CLPs

Name	CLP Votes	Result
Daniel BLANEY	68194	
Phil BRICKELL	182842	ELECTED
Khaled MOYEED	71721	
Dan NEIDLE	173930	ELECTED
Shama TATLER	203930	ELECTED
Cecile Yvonne WRIGHT	83263	

### Conference Arrangements Committee - Disabled Members Representative

<b>Name</b>	<b>CLP Votes</b>	<b>Affiliate Votes</b>	<b>Result</b>
Josh HARCUP	62805	69482	
Katrina MURRAY	179076	1684757	ELECTED
Jack WILFAN	22210	0	

## Appendix 2 – Annual Conference Timetable

	Wednesday
	<i>Fresh Start for public services</i>
<b>Ballots</b>	
<b><u>Morning Plenary Sessions</u></b>	<b><u>09.45 Conference Arrangements Committee Report</u></b>
	<b><u>09.55 Public Services That Work From The Start</u></b> <i>Wes Streeting</i>
SUN 11.00-12.35	<i>Rosena Alin-Khan</i> <i>Bridget Phillipson</i>
MON-TUES 10.00-12.35	<b><u>11.25 Votes</u></b>
WEDS 9.45-12.00	<b><u>11.30 International speaker</u></b> <i>Sviatlana Tsikhanouskaya</i>
<b><u>Afternoon Plenary Sessions</u></b>	<b><u>11.45 Angela Rayner</u></b>
	<b><u>12:00 CLOSING FORMALITIES</u></b>
SUN 13.20-15.00	
, MON 14.15-17.50	
TUE 14.00-17.20	

# Appendix 3 – Delegate Seating Plan

Voting Delegates 1329

