Dear Miriam,

There's no getting away from the fact that the last couple of weeks have been tough. So, this edition of *The Labour Rosette* is a chance to highlight just a few of the good things we've got done in just the last few days: the ways in which we are putting our values - your values - into action, delivering the change we promised, clearing up the mess left by the Tories and helping the people we came into politics to represent.

The Prime Minister has made good on his promise to bring in a Hillsborough Law, holding public officials and authorities accountable and ensuring the truth is never concealed by the state again.

We promised to bring in the biggest upgrade in workers' rights in a generation and this week, our historic Employment Rights Bill was back in Parliament, with Labour MPs voting to overturn opposition efforts to water it down

We promised to get the NHS back on its feet and deliver 2 million more appointments and we've just delivered our 5 millionth extra appointment.

We promised to fix the scandal of schools and hospitals literally crumbling thanks to Tory neglect by removing dangerous concrete and now more than half of RAAC-affected schools, colleges and hospitals are now either free of RAAC or well on the way.

#### Our values in action. Change we can be proud of.

At the same time, we're working to grow the economy and put more money in people's pockets, and this week's announcements of £150 billion of inward investment from US companies will help create thousands of skilled jobs around the country.

Now, we're getting ready for our Annual Conference in Liverpool, starting next weekend, where there will be more exciting announcements and more opportunities to highlight the change Labour is delivering.

If you're planning to attend, I look forward to seeing you there - but this edition of *The Labour Rosette* also includes information about how to follow Conference even if you're not able to come.

Thank you,

Anna Turley
Chair of the Labour Party



# Landmark Hillsborough Law introduced

The Prime Minister made a personal promise that he would bring in Hillsborough Law. This week, Labour delivered on that promise. The Hillsborough Law is a testament to the strength of the families who campaigned tirelessly for justice and will finally close the chapter on one of the darkest days in British history.

This legislation will hold public officials and authorities to account for their actions through a new legal duty of candour. This will prevent the sorts of cover-ups we have seen in Hillsborough, the Horizon scandal, the victims of infected blood, and those who died in the terrible Grenfell Tower fire. With Labour, we are putting politics back in the service of working people.

#### What does this mean?

- A new professional and legal Duty of Candour meaning public officials must act with honesty and integrity at all times - with criminal sanctions for egregious breaches;
- The largest expansion of legal aid in a decade for bereaved families;
- A new offence for misleading the public.

With this law, Labour is changing the balance of power in Britain and ensuring that the State can never hide from the people it is supposed to serve. This is the change that only Labour can deliver.

# Landmark reforms to workers' rights one step closer

The biggest upgrade to workers' rights in a generation is one step closer, after Labour's landmark Employment Rights Bill passed a key stage towards becoming law.

Fifteen million workers are set to benefit from Labour's reforms, which include strengthening sick pay, day one rights to parental leave and ending the scourge of fire and rehire.

Labour overturned opposition wrecking amendments from the House of Lords, backed by the Tories, Lib Dems and Reform that would have watered down the Bill and limited those set to benefit from a ban on exploitative zero-hours contracts.

#### **Key lines:**

- Labour's landmark package of workers' rights will put money in people's pockets and deliver real life improvements for working people.
- From early next year, we are:
  - Strengthening statutory sick pay
  - Introducing day one rights to parental and paternity leave
  - Introducing better protections for workers through a new Fair Work Agency
- Other key measures in the Employment Rights Bill include banning exploitative zero-hours contracts, abolishing the scourge of fire and rehire, establishing Bereavement Leave and improving access to flexible working.

While the Tories, Lib Dems and Reform try to block these vital reforms, Labour's Plan for Change is putting money in people's pockets and delivering real life improvements for working people. Only Labour is proudly probusiness and pro-worker.

# 5 million NHS appointments

Labour promised two million extra NHS appointments in the first year – now we've hit five million. Promise made, promise more than delivered.

This means that millions of people can get the care they need more quickly.

### Key talking points:

- The latest NHS statistics show that over five million extra NHS appointments have been delivered since the General Election – smashing our target of two million.
- Waiting lists are down by over 220,000 since we entered government.
- 2,000 GPs have also been recruited since last October, meaning more appointments and better care.

Labour is determined to turn around the decline in the NHS after 14 years of the Tories. While they and Reform voted against £29 billion of extra investment in our NHS, we're working hard to deliver our promises through our Plan for Change.

# Record-breaking £150 billion investment unveiled during US State Visit

The UK has secured a historic £150 billion of investment from US companies, newly announced this week as part of the US President's State Visit, delivering real change for people across the country.

Labour is delivering growth and good jobs in all nations and regions of the UK. These deals will create more than 7,600 high-quality jobs, revitalise communities, and accelerate growth in sectors of the future.

This comes alongside the world-leading Tech Prosperity Deal which will speed up AI research into life-saving treatments, and a new major deal to turbocharge the build-out of new nuclear power in both countries.

- This investment will deliver real opportunities for working people with 1,000 new jobs in Belfast and 6,000 more roles from Glasgow to Warrington, the Midlands and the North East.
- In the North East, a new Al Growth Zone will create up to 5,000 more jobs and unlock billions in private investment.
- And our commitment to build new nuclear power plants will boost up to 2,500 jobs in Teesside.

## Key talking point:

This week has been about delivering for the British people. We have secured a record-breaking £150 billion in investment to the UK. As we deliver on our Plan for Change, these new deals will boost our economy, drive down household bills and deliver thousands of good jobs and growth across the country.

# Fixing the foundations of our public services

The Labour Government is working at pace to fix the crumbling school and NHS estate. More than half of RAAC-affected schools and colleges are now either fully RAAC-free or on the path to removal and seven hospitals have also eradicated RAAC completely.

#### What does this mean?

Children can focus on learning instead of worrying about the roof above their heads, and patients will receive a safer, more dignified experience in our hospitals.

### Key talking points:

- 30,000 more pupils are now learning in RAAC-free classrooms.
- Seven more hospitals have now eradicated RAAC.
- Thanks to record investment, Labour is fixing the foundations of our public services – moving beyond the sticking-plaster fixes of the past to create lasting change for pupils, teachers and communities.

Our public services have been starved of investment and left to crumble for more than a decade. Labour is cleaning up the mess we inherited and rebuilding our schools and NHS.

# Latest Tory-Reform defection

The defection of sitting Conservative MP, Danny Kruger, to Reform, is yet further proof that Farage's Reform is a party of recycled Tories with recycled Tory ideas.

Reform want to pose as something new and different, but they have recruited a bunch of failed and disgraced ex-Tory MPs – 17 so far.

Kruger is to become head of Reform's Preparing for Government unit, and his past comments provide many hints as to what Reform's next election manifesto could look like.

He believes in a number of conspiracy theories, including that there are plans to create a "world government" and that "excess deaths" are attributable to the Covid-19 vaccine. Kruger's comments are similar to those made by disgraced doctor Aseem Malhotra at Reform's Party conference earlier this month, who said the vaccine was a "significant factor in the cancer of members of the royal family".

Echoing comments made by Farage, who has said he is "open to anything" when it comes to insurance-based healthcare, Kruger has extolled the benefits of healthcare privatisation. In 2002, he co-authored a policy report calling for an insurance model with "care on a contract or fee-for-service basis".

# Labour Party Annual Conference: Live and online

Our Annual Conference is taking place Sunday 28 September to Wednesday 1 October and we don't want you to miss a thing. Even if you can't join us in person in Liverpool, you can still be a part of Conference. See below the ways you can follow along.

#### **Live from Liverpool**

Join our three exclusive online sessions at 6pm on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. Each one will bring you:

- The biggest takeaways of the day
- Insights on key policy announcements from senior politicians
- A feel for the atmosphere and debates shaping the week
- Watch live or catch up on Labour Learn after

## Sign up here

#### Watch Conference online

We will be livestreaming the main Conference sessions live on our YouTube channel so you can follow the action in real time.

## Labour Party YouTube

### **Deputy Leader Hustings**

Following the close of Conference, on Wednesday 1 October 12:00 - 13:00 we will be hosting a live hustings from Liverpool. The event will be livestreamed so members from across the country are also able to join.

The deadline to submit a question by video or text is Tuesday 23 September so don't miss your chance:

### Submit a question

Save the date: National Campaign Weekend

Friday 3 - Sunday 5 October More info coming soon.