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**The Labour Party**

**CONFERENCE ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE**  
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## Conference Arrangements Committee (CAC)

**Members:** Harry Donaldson (Chair), Michael Cashman, Mick Murphy, Gloria De Piero, Jayne Taylor, Liane Venner, Fiona Wilson

**Officers:** Anna Hutchinson and Margaret Lynch

**Location:** Room 18 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.

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

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# Today's Agenda

<b>Wednesday 28 September – Morning Session</b>	
Chair: Johanna Baxter & Paddy Lillis (from 11.55)	
10.30	<b>Conference Reconvenes</b>
10:31	<b>Conference Arrangements Committee Report</b> <i>Harry Donaldson, Chair of the CAC</i>
10.35	<p><b>Home Affairs</b> <span style="float: right;"><i>NPF Report pages 30 – 35</i></span></p> <p><i>Ellie Reeves, NEC member</i></p> <p><i>Richard Burgon, Shadow Secretary of State for Justice</i></p> <p><i>Cat Smith, Shadow Minister for Women and Equalities</i></p> <p>Composite 11 – Child Refugees</p> <p><b>Debate</b> – speakers from the floor</p> <p><i>Yvette Cooper, Chair of Labour's Refugee Taskforce</i> <span style="float: right;"><i>CAC Report page 4</i></span></p> <p><i>Andy Burnham, Shadow Home Secretary</i></p>
11.50	<p><b>Votes</b></p> <p>Home Affairs Policy Commission Report</p> <p>Home Affairs Priority Issues document</p> <p>Composite 11 – Child Refugees</p> <p>NEC Report</p>
12.00	<b>Conference adjourns</b>
14.00	<b>Conference reconvenes</b>
	<p><b>Leader's Speech</b></p> <p><i>Jeremy Corbyn</i></p>
	<b>Close of Conference</b>

## Composite 11 – Child Refugees

Conference notes that:

- There are now over 21 million refugees fleeing conflict and persecution across the world. At least 3.5 million are children.
- The recent Immigration Act was amended to commit Britain to providing homes for some of the unaccompanied child refugees who had arrived in Europe before March 31st, now stranded in Calais.
- In May 2016, Lord Dubs' amendment to allow unaccompanied children to be offered safe refuge in the UK, was passed. Lord Dubs received assurances from HM Government that a number of children from the Calais camp would be welcomed and provided for in the UK. In Sept 2016 more than 380 children were still in the Calais camps.
- Previous 'evictions' at the camp by French authorities have led to vulnerable young children going missing.

Conference believes the world is facing a migration crisis the like of which has not been seen since World War Two and we have a moral duty to act by giving asylum to those we are able to and leveraging our influence in the world to secure peaceful solutions to conflicts and support human rights.

Conference resolves to:

1. Press the government to provide more funding to local councils to meet the long-term costs of supporting child refugees.
2. Encourage Labour Councils to offer support for refugees along the lines of the London Borough of Ealing.
3. Set out manifesto commitments to prioritise an effective policy to support child asylum seekers and refugees.

Calls on the Labour Party to back proposals to legislate to ensure no children are left in the Calais refugee camps by Christmas.

We urge the Labour Party to ensure the Dubs Amendment of March 2016 to help refugee children is honoured and demand rapid action to identify, assess and transfer these children to the UK.

**Mover: Walthamstow CLP**  
**Seconder: Bracknell CLP**

# Emergency Motion

The emergency motion submitted by the FBU has been withdrawn.

## Notices

### 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.

### Time Limits for Speakers

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

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

### Voting

Votes at Conference on resolutions, reports, amendments, proposals and references back are taken as a show of hands unless a card vote is requested by delegates or by the decision of the Chair.

Constitutional amendments (rule changes) are always decided by card votes. For card votes, ballot boxes will be passed along each row by the Tellers and delegates will cast their vote using their card vote booklets selecting either a FOR or AGAINST card for each votes.

### Ballots and votes at Conference

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

# Appendix 1 - Card Vote Results

Here are the results of the 5 card votes taken yesterday.

Card Vote 1: **CARRIED** – NEC rule changes

Card Vote 2: **CARRIED** – TU Retired Member Branches

Card Vote 3: **NOT CARRIED** – Priorities Ballot

Card Vote 4: **NOT CARRIED** – Submissions to Conference

Card Vote 5: **CARRIED** – Right to refer back part of a policy document

## CARD VOTE NO.1

ACTUAL VOTES CAST	FOR	AGAINST	TOTAL
CLP	141,492	66,569	208,061
%	68.01%	31.99%	
Affiliate	1,210,843	104,991	1,315,834
%	92.02%	7.98%	

OVERALL %AGE SPLIT	FOR	AGAINST	TOTAL
CLP	34.00%	16.00% =	50.00%
Affiliate	46.01%	3.99% =	50.00%
Total	80.01%	19.99% =	100.00%

The resolution is **Carried**

**FOR: 80.01%**  
**AGAINST: 19.99%**

## CARD VOTE NO.2

ACTUAL VOTES CAST	FOR	AGAINST	TOTAL
CLP	193,525	10,026	203,551
%	95.07%	4.93%	
Affiliate	1,667,963	501	1,668,464
%	99.97%	0.03%	

OVERALL %AGE SPLIT	FOR	AGAINST	TOTAL
CLP	47.54%	2.46% =	50.00%
Affiliate	49.98%	0.02% =	50.00%
Total	97.52%	2.48% =	100.00%

The resolution is **Carried**

**FOR: 97.52%**  
**AGAINST: 2.48%**

**CARD VOTE NO.3**

ACTUAL VOTES CAST	FOR	AGAINST	TOTAL
CLP	88,323	123,179	211,502
%	41.76%	58.24%	
Affiliate	454,860	1,292,281	1,747,141
%	26.03%	73.97%	
OVERALL %AGE SPLIT	FOR	AGAINST	TOTAL
CLP	20.88%	29.12% =	50.00%
Affiliate	13.02%	36.98% =	50.00%
Total	33.90%	66.10% =	100.00%

The resolution is **Not Carried**

**FOR: 33.90%**  
**AGAINST: 66.10%**

**CARD VOTE NO. 4**

ACTUAL VOTES CAST	FOR	AGAINST	TOTAL
CLP	97,447	113,317	210,764
%	46.24%	53.76%	
Affiliate	481,739	1,260,684	1,742,423
%	27.65%	72.35%	
OVERALL %AGE SPLIT	FOR	AGAINST	TOTAL
CLP	23.12%	26.88% =	50.00%
Affiliate	13.82%	36.18% =	50.00%
Total	36.94%	63.06% =	100.00%

The resolution is **Not Carried**

**FOR: 36.94%**  
**AGAINST: 63.06%**

**CARD VOTE NO. 5**

ACTUAL VOTES CAST	FOR	AGAINST	TOTAL
CLP	97,500	116,763	214,263
%	45.50%	54.50%	
Affiliate	986,139	728,010	1,714,149
%	57.53%	42.47%	
OVERALL %AGE SPLIT	FOR	AGAINST	TOTAL
CLP	22.75%	27.25% =	50.00%
Affiliate	28.76%	21.24% =	50.00%
Total	51.52%	48.48% =	100.00%

The resolution is **Carried** **FOR: 51.52%** **AGAINST: 48.48%**