

Delegates' Report

Annual Conference 2016

From the Conference Arrangements Committee

A Message from the Chair of the Conference Arrangements Committee



On behalf of the Conference Arrangements Committee (CAC), I am delighted to welcome you as a delegate to the 2016 Annual Conference at the ECL – the Exhibition Centre Liverpool.

In addition to the main Conference, the result of the Leadership election will be announced on Saturday morning, followed by the Women's Conference, the Youth Annual Gathering on Sunday as well as *The Fringe* - hundreds of organisations hosting a range of events including seminars, debates, workshops and receptions in the ECL and at other venues across the City.

Leadership Election Result – this will be announced at a special short session of Conference on Saturday 24 September between 11.30am to 12 noon. All registered delegates may attend. This Delegates' Report outlines the business to be discussed and voted on at Conference together with a provisional timetable and details of the ballots taking place at Conference.

The CAC will issue a daily report at Conference with a detailed agenda of the day's debates, ballot arrangements and results, the text of composite motions and other information to supplement the reports of the National Executive Committee and National Policy Forum which will be sent to you before Conference. The CAC reports will be handed to you as you enter the Conference Hall and are also available from the Party Stand and the CAC Office. Members may also view and download all reports from Membersnet at: <http://members.labour.org.uk/conference-documents>

Constitutional amendments (rule changes) to be debated at this year's Conference will be published in the CAC's first report to Conference on Sunday 25 September. These are the rule changes tabled by the NEC or submitted in 2015 by CLPs and affiliates.

CAC Report 1 will also contain the rule changes submitted this year by CLPs and affiliates which will be noted by this year's Conference and debated next year.

The CAC is always keen to hear your views about Conference and the information provided to delegates so please take time to fill in the Delegates' Survey at: <http://labevents.org/ac2016delegatesurvey>

Whether you are a first-time delegate or have attended before, I hope that you enjoy Conference 2016 and look forward to meeting you around the ECL during the week.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Harry Donaldson". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly stylized font.

Harry Donaldson

Chair of the Conference Arrangements Committee

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Conference Sessions

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| Sunday 25 September | 11.00 – 12.45 | 10.15 – doors open to Conference Hall |
| | 14.15 – 17.30 | |
| | From 6.30pm | Compositing meetings <i>For delegates of CLPs and affiliates successful in the Contemporary Motions Priorities Ballot. Meeting times and venues will be announced at the end of the Conference session. Start times will be staggered from 6.30 to 8pm. See page 11 for more information.</i> |
| Monday 26 September | 09.30 – 12.45 | |
| | 14.15 – 16.00 | |
| | 16.15 - 17.30 | <i>Policy Seminars</i> |
| Tuesday 27 September | 09.30 – 12.45 | |
| | 14.15 – 16.00 | |
| | 16.15 - 17.30 | <i>Policy Seminars</i> |
| Wednesday 28 September | 09.00 – 10.15 | <i>Policy Seminars</i> |
| | 10.30 – 12.00 | |
| | 14.15 – 16.00 | Leader's Speech |

Conference Timetable

The Conference timetable, which is subject to change, is printed on the back page of this report. A detailed final timetable will be included in the Conference Arrangements Committee Report 1 on the first day of Conference.

Conference Facilities and Services

Full details about the services and facilities for delegates and visitors can be found in the Conference Magazine which will be sent to all delegates. It is also available to members as a pdf on Membersnet: <http://members.labour.org.uk/conference-documents>

The Conference app for iPhone, Blackberry and Android is available from www.labour.org.uk/conferenceapp or from your app store and has useful information about the Conference timetable, Finge events, maps, exhibitors etc.

Conference Arrangements Committee

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

Secretary: Anna Hutchinson

Assistant Secretary: Margaret Lynch

Location: the CAC Office is situated in the Terrace Suite on the first floor of the Exhibition Centre.

Contact: CAC@labour.org.uk or **020 7783 1498** before and during Conference

Roger Hutchinson, the CAC Steward, will be available in the Waiting Area next to the CAC Office to answer delegates' queries.

Role of the Conference Arrangements Committee

The CAC oversees the all the arrangements for Conference including the agenda and ballots. It acts the Standing Orders Committee during Conference.

There are seven members of the CAC who each serve a term of two years. The CLP Section has two members elected by a ballot of all members. The General Section has five members who are elected by both CLP and affiliated organisation delegates at Conference.

Elections for each section are held in alternate years. This year the five general places were up for election. Harry Donaldson, Bronwyn McKenna, Mick Murphy, Jayne Taylor and Fiona Wilson were elected unopposed and take up office immediately after Conference.

CAC Daily Reports

The CAC Chair, Harry Donaldson, will make a verbal report to Conference each morning setting out the day's agenda and dealing with other issues relevant to the business and organisation of Conference.

In addition, the CAC produces a daily written report with a detailed agenda. These reports will be handed to delegates as they enter the Conference Hall and can also be obtained from the Party Stand in the Atrium of the Exhibition Centre and the CAC Office.

They can be downloaded from 7am each day from Membersnet at: <http://members.labour.org.uk/conference-documents> and will be emailed to delegates each morning as a pdf.

The CAC reports are a useful aide memoire after Conference for delegates preparing a Conference report for their CLP or affiliated organisation.

Conference Business

Reports from the National Executive Committee (NEC)

- Annual Report, including the annual accounts
- Constitutional Amendments (rule changes)

The Annual Report of the National Policy Forum (NPF) and the Policy Commissions

The eight policy commissions are: Stability and Prosperity, Work and Business, Living Standards and Sustainability, Stronger, Safer Communities, Education and Children, Health and Care, Better Politics and Britain's Global Role.

Other business

- Parliamentary Report from the Leader of the Labour Party – Leader's Speech
- Deputy Leader's Speech
- Reports from Labour in Scotland, Wales, the European Parliament and Local Government and the Northern Ireland Report
- Speakers from the Co-operative Party and the TUC
- Contemporary and Composite Motions
- Emergency Motions
- Constitutional Amendments from CLPs and affiliates
- Ballots

Ballots

Elections for the following national officers and national committees will take place at Conference:

- **National Auditors** – elected by all delegates
- **National Constitutional Committee** – elected by CLP delegates

Candidates' statements can be found on pages 17 – 19. See page 9 for the Ballot Timetable.

In addition all delegates may participate in the Priorities Ballot and the National Policy Forum Priorities for the Year Ballot.

Priorities Ballot

Contemporary motions which meet the CAC's criteria will go forward to the Contemporary Motions Priorities Ballot on **Sunday 25 September between 10.30am and 3pm.**

The CAC will group contemporary motions by subject. The list of subject groupings will be published in CAC Report 1. This will be available on the Sunday morning of Conference at the delegates' briefings and from the Party Stand in Exhibition Centre. It can also be viewed and downloaded from: <http://members.labour.org.uk/conference-documents> and will also be emailed to all delegates as a pdf on Sunday morning at 8am.

CLP and affiliated organisation delegates can vote in the Priorities Ballot. Each delegate may vote for up to 4 subjects.

The four subjects that receive the most votes in the CLP section will be timetabled for debate and decision, as will the four subjects that receive the most votes in the affiliates section.

The results will be announced at the end of the Sunday afternoon session of Conference together with details of the compositing meetings. See page 11 for more information about Compositing Meetings.

NPF – Priorities for the Year Ballot

This ballot allows Annual Conference to shape the work of the National Policy Forum and Policy Commissions in the coming year by identifying key topics for in-depth consideration and consultation by the Policy Commissions from a list drawn up by the Joint Policy Commission. CLP and affiliated organisation delegates can vote in the Priorities Ballot. Each delegate may vote for up to 4 subjects. The four subjects that receive the most votes in both the CLP and the affiliates section will be sent to the Policy Commissions for priority consideration during 2017.

Ballot Timetable

Voting will take place in the **Ballot Area in the Exhibition Hall**. **Delegates' passes will be scanned at the entrance to the Ballot Area.**

| Date | Ballot |
|---|---|
| Sunday 25 September <i>10.30am – 3.00pm</i> | Priorities Ballot - Contemporary Motions <i>All delegates</i> |
| Monday 26 September <i>9.00am – 4.00pm</i> | National Policy Forum - Priorities for the Year Ballot <i>All delegates</i> National Auditors <i>All delegates</i> |
| Tuesday 27 September <i>9.00am – 4.00pm</i> | National Constitutional Committee – CLP Section <i>CLP delegates</i> |

Voting at Conference

Votes at Conference are taken as a show of hands unless a card vote is requested by a delegate or by the decision of the Chair.

Constitutional amendments (rule changes) are always decided by a card vote.

If a card vote is called the vote is taken immediately so delegates must carry their card vote booklet with them while Conference is in session.

Tellers will pass ballot boxes along each row. Delegates should cast their vote using their card vote booklets by selecting either a YES or NO card for each vote.

Each card vote in the booklet is numbered. The Chair will announce the number of the card vote being taken.

Card Vote Booklets

- Constituency delegates should collect their card vote booklets at the delegates' briefings to be hosted by each English region and the Welsh Labour Party in Liverpool on Sunday morning before Conference starts. Card vote booklets may also be collected from the Ballot Area from 12 noon on Sunday.

The Scottish Labour delegates' briefing is on Sunday evening so Scottish delegates should collect their card vote booklets from the Ballot Area on Sunday morning.

- Socialist Society delegates may collect their card vote booklets from the Ballot Area from 10.30am on Sunday.
- Trade Unions: political officers should make arrangements with staff in the Ballot Area to collect the card vote booklets for their delegation.

Please speak to the staff in the Ballot Area if you lose your card vote booklet or if you have any queries about ballots or voting.

Debates, Speaking and Voting

The annual reports of the National Executive Committee (NEC) and the National Policy Forum (NPF), composite motions drawn up from the contemporary motions agreed through the Priorities Ballot and relevant emergency motions will be debated and voted on by Conference.

Debates will be structured around the annual reports of the eight policy commissions (which are included in the NPF Annual Report) as follows:

- the relevant sections of the NPF and policy commission reports will be moved by a member of NPF and the policy commission
- any relevant composite motion(s) will be moved and seconded by the delegates agreed at the compositing meeting
- if there is a related emergency motion then it will be moved and seconded
- there will then be a debate with delegates invited to speak
- the debate will be replied to by a member of the policy commission
- at the end of the session a vote will be taken on the documents, composite motions and any emergency motion.

Voting takes place at the end of the session by a show of hands unless a card vote is requested by a delegate or by the decision of the Chair. Rule changes are always decided by a card vote.

If a card vote is called, the vote is taken immediately. Tellers will pass ballot boxes around the Hall. The Chair will announce the number of the card vote.

During the debate and at the end of each Conference session, the Chair will indicate whether or not the NEC is recommending that the relevant document or motion be accepted by Conference. If Conference votes not to accept a report, or part of a report, then it will be referred back to the relevant committee for further development or action.

Policy reports must be accepted or rejected in their entirety. Reference back of sections of a policy document is not permitted.

Time Limits for Speakers

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

Qualifications for moving motions

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

Contemporary Motions

The deadline for receipt of contemporary motions is **12 noon on Thursday 15 September 2016**.

The Conference Arrangements Committee (CAC) will consider all contemporary motions submitted by CLPs and affiliated organisations against its published criteria on **Monday 19 September** which are printed on page 20.

CLPs and affiliates whose contemporary motions do not meet the CAC's criteria will be informed by email on the evening of **19 September**.

Appeals will be heard by the CAC in London on the afternoon of **Wednesday 21 September**. Appeals may be made in person, by conference call or in writing.

Compositing Meetings

Delegates from organisations with a contemporary motion subject successful in the Priorities Ballot should attend these meetings on:

- **The evening of Sunday 25 September in the Exhibition Centre**
- **Start times will be staggered** as up to 8 compositing meetings may be required. Most meetings will begin at 6.30pm but some will be later at 7.30pm or 8.00pm.

The Chair of Conference will give further details about the compositing meetings at the end of the Sunday afternoon session immediately after the announcement of the Priorities Ballot result.

The purpose of the compositing meetings is to:

- agree a composite motion for each of the topics successful in the Priorities Ballot
- choose two delegates to move and second the composite motion it when it comes up for debate at Conference.

The text of a composite motion must be drawn from the words used in the various motions submitted on the same topic. No new words may be added. A detailed note on the compositing process will be issued to delegates at the compositing meetings. It can be collected in advance from the CAC Office on Sunday 25 September and is available to view or downloaded from: <http://members.labour.org.uk/conference-documents>

Emergency Motions

The deadline for emergency motions is **Friday 23 September at 12 noon**.

The CAC will only consider Emergency motions for debate if they meet the following criteria:

- deal with an issue which could not reasonably have been the subject of a contemporary motion, or
- has arisen after the closing date for contemporary motions - Thursday 15 September at 12 noon, or
- be a matter of urgent and immediate importance to the discussion by the whole Labour Party at Annual Conference.

The text must be emailed (no form required) to **CAC@labour.org.uk** and a copy, signed by the CLP secretary/affiliate authorised officer, sent or delivered to the Conference Arrangements Committee, The Labour Party, Southside, 105 Victoria Street, London SW1E 6QT or emailed to: **CAC@labour.org.uk**

Policy Seminars

Seminars will be held on Monday and Tuesday afternoon from 4.15 to 5.30pm and on Wednesday morning from 9am to 10.15am. Only accredited delegates may attend the seminars.

The seminars, organised by the Policy Commissions, offer delegates opportunities for policy discussion with the Shadow Cabinet and the frontbench teams. Full details of the seminars will be published in the CAC's first report to Conference on Sunday 25 September.

Conference Passes and Security

Conference passes must worn and be visible at all times when in the Conference Zone.

There will be pass checks at all entrances to the Conference Zone, including the Pullman Hotel. A random search procedure will also be in operation at all times.

Lost or stolen passes should be notified immediately to Conference Services or to a police officer so they can be deactivated. There will be a charge of £15 for replacement passes.

Here's how you can help:

- do not leave bags unattended
- do not attempt to bring luggage into the Conference Zone
- do bring some photo ID with you to Liverpool

Additional security checks or security measures may be put in place if the Merseyside Police advises the Party these are necessary. Your co-operation with all security measures is greatly appreciated.

Conference Services

The Conference Services Unit provides information to delegates and visitors and deals with security passes and late applications at:

The Concourse, Echo Arena at Albert Dock, Liverpool, L3 4AF
Contact: 0345 092 3311 or conferenceservices@labour.org.uk

The opening hours are:

- Thursday 22 to Friday 23 September - 9am to 6pm
- Saturday 24 September - 9am to 7pm
- Sunday 25 September - 9am to 8pm
- Monday 26 to Tuesday 27 September - 8am to 8pm
- Wednesday 28 September - 8am to 4pm

Tickets for the Leader's Speech

The Leader's Speech is on Wednesday at 2pm. Tickets will be included in the Delegates' Packs and are strictly non-transferable.

Delegates are allocated a seat for every Conference session including the Leader's speech. However, delegates are advised to take their seats promptly as empty seats may be allocated to visitors shortly before the speech begins. If you find someone sitting in your allocated seat please speak to a steward or member of staff.

The Deputy Leader will speak on Tuesday afternoon.

Delegates with Disabilities

The Exhibition Centre Liverpool is fully accessible for wheelchair users. If you would like assistance at Conference please contact the Conference Services Unit *in advance* on **0345 092 3311** or at **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 24 September.

Full details about the facilities and services to assist delegates and visitors with disabilities can be found on page 55 of the Conference Magazine.

Left Luggage

A left luggage facility will be available on Wednesday 28 September between 8am and 5pm for delegates who need to check out of their accommodation on Wednesday morning.

This will be located in the Jury's Inn at the Albert Dock.

Luggage cannot be taken into the Exhibition Centre Liverpool.

Constitutional Amendments (Rule Changes)

Constitutional amendments submitted by CLPs and affiliates are noted by Conference in the year they are submitted and timetabled for debate the following year provided they satisfy the rules of the Party in particular 3C2.H, the three-year rule.

The NEC will consider the rule changes timetabled for debate and make recommendations to Conference as to whether or not they should be accepted.

2015 Constitutional Amendments

The Conference Arrangements Committee will consider the constitutional amendments submitted in 2015 at its next meeting and those that satisfy the rules of the Party will be published in the CAC's first report on Conference on Sunday 25 September.

They will also be published before Conference on the Conference Documents page of Membersnet at: <https://members.labour.org.uk/conference-documents>

The CAC will email all delegates to inform them when the rule changes document has been published with details of how to access it.

2016 Constitutional Amendments

These will be noted by Conference 2016 and timetabled for debate at next year's Conference. They will be published in the CAC's first report to Conference on Sunday 25 September.

Elections to National Committees

The following elections will take place at Conference 2016.

- National Constitutional Committee - CLP Section
- National Auditors

Candidates and nominating organisations are listed below and candidate statements are printed on pages 17 - 19.

The results of these elections will be reported to Conference by the Chief Scrutineer and printed in the CAC reports.

Candidates in the following elections, which were due to take place at Conference, were elected unopposed:

- Conference Arrangements Committee – General Section
- National Constitutional Committee – Trade Union Section
- National Constitutional Committee – Socialist Societies Section

See page 16 for candidates and nominating organisations.

The results of other elections that took place over the summer will be posted on Membersnet as they become available at: members.labour.org.uk/elections-to-national-committees-2016

National Constitutional Committee - Division II - CLP Section

One to be elected.

| Candidate | Nominated by |
|---|--|
| Maggie COSIN | Barking, Bermondsey and Old Southwark, Bethnal Green and Bow, Bromsgrove, Canterbury, Chatham and Aylesford, Chipping Barnet, Cleethorpes, Clwyd West, Croydon South, Derby South, <i>Dover and Deal</i> , Dumbarton, Ealing Southall, East Kilbride, Enfield North, Epsom and Ewell, Erewash, Folkestone and Hythe, Greenwich and Woolwich, Halton, Harrow West, Hitchin and Harpenden, Holborn and St Pancras, Ilford North, Kingswood, Leeds West, Leicester West, Lichfield, Liverpool West Derby, Manchester Gorton, Middlesbrough South and East Cleveland, Mitcham and Morden, New Forest West, Newcastle-under-Lyme, Normanton, Pontefract and Castleford, Nottingham South, Poplar and Limehouse, Reading East, Reading West, Richmond Park, Rochester and Strood, Rochester and Strood, Runnymede and Weybridge, Rutherglen, Scunthorpe, Selly Oak, Sittingbourne and Sheppey, St Ives, Stevenage, Tatton, Walthamstow, Warley, Wealden, Wolverhampton South East, Yeovil |
| Peter DAY | <i>Dulwich and West Norwood</i> , North Shropshire |
| David HALL | <i>City of Durham</i> |
| Dalvir SINGH | <i>Labour International</i> |
| Chris WILLIAMSON | Basildon and Billericay, Bath, Bedford and Kempston, Beverley and Holderness, Birmingham Ladywood, Bolsover, Bosworth, Bournemouth East, Bournemouth West, Brentford and Isleworth, Broxtowe, Burnley, Calder Valley, Chichester, Chingford and Woodford Green, Christchurch, City of Chester, Crewe and Nantwich, Derby North, East Devon, Erith and Thamesmead, Exeter, Grantham and Stamford, Hackney North and Stoke Newington, Hall Green, Birmingham, Hampstead and Kilburn, Hartlepool, Harwich and North East Essex, Hemsworth, Hereford and South Herefordshire, Heywood and Middleton, Hornsey and Wood Green, Huntingdon, Islington North, Islington South and Finsbury, Islwyn, Kensington, Kettering, Kingston Upon Hull North, Lancaster and Fleetwood, Leeds Central, Leyton and Wanstead, Lincoln, Luton North, Luton South, Maidstone and The Weald, Meriden, Mid Norfolk, Mid-Bedfordshire, Middlesbrough, Newark, North Somerset, North Warwickshire, North West Cambridgeshire, North West Durham, North West Norfolk, Northampton, Northern Ireland, Norwich North, Norwich South, Oxford East, Oxford West and Abingdon, Pudsey, Rayleigh and Wickford, Rochford and Southend East, Sevenoaks, Sheffield Heeley, Shipley, Solihull, South Basildon and East Thurrock, South Derbyshire, South Northamptonshire, South Ribble, Southampton Test, Stockport, Stockton North, Stoke on Trent South, Stretford and Urmston, Sutton and Cheam, Tewkesbury, Thornbury and Yate, Truro and Falmouth, Uxbridge and South Ruislip, Wansbeck, Waveney, Weaver Vale, Wolverhampton South West, Wyre and Preston North |
| <i>One candidate declined nomination.</i> | |

National Auditors - 2 to be elected

| Candidate | Nominated by |
|---------------|---|
| Chris KITCHEN | UCATT, National Union of Mineworkers , USDAW |
| Sina LARI | Chelsea and Fulham CLP, Kensington CLP, BECTU, Musicians' Union, Bakers Food and Allied Workers Union, Labour Movement for Europe, LGBT Labour, Jewish Labour Movement, LCID, Society of Labour Lawyers, Labour Students, Christians on the Left, Socialist Health Association, SERA, Disability Labour, Scientists for Labour |
| John PARK | Community , UCATT, USDAW |

Conference Arrangements Committee

Five to be elected, at least 2 women. Candidates elected unopposed

| Candidate | Nominated by |
|---|-------------------------------|
| Harry DONALDSON | GMB , Unison, UCATT |
| Bronwyn MCKENNA | Unison , UCATT |
| Mick MURPHY | UCATT, Unite the Union |
| Jayne TAYLOR | UCATT, Unite the Union |
| Fiona WILSON | Unison, UCATT, USDAW |
| <i>Two other nomination were received but the members declined nomination</i> | |

National Constitutional Committee – Division I – Trade Union Section

Two to be elected, at least one woman. Candidates elected unopposed.

| Candidate | Nominated by |
|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| Russell CARTWRIGHT | UCATT, Unite the Union |
| Penny ROBINSON | GMB |

National Constitutional Committee – Division II – Socialist Societies

One to be elected. Candidate elected unopposed.

| Candidate | Nominated by |
|---|--|
| Peter MASON | Labour Movement for Europe, LGBT Labour, Jewish Labour Movement , LCID, Society of Labour Lawyers, Labour Students, Christians on the Left, Socialist Health Association, SERA, Disability Labour |
| <i>One other nomination was received but the member declined nomination</i> | |

Candidates' Statements

National Constitutional Committee - Division II - CLP Section

One to be elected by a ballot of CLP delegates at Conference to serve a term of 3 years. Gender quota already met in this Section.

Maggie COSIN

Members want party rules to work for them; ordinary hardworking Constituency officers want a constitutional committee that will be firm, fair and consistent in ensuring a procedural framework to help officers do what they care about most - developing an effective, campaigning Labour Party local and nationally.

The most important thing about Constitutional issues? Respect for other members and a positive attitude towards comradely behaviour. Many issues before the NCC arise from misunderstandings. From 59 years of Party membership, I know that our rules and procedures must be enforced in an even-handed and transparent way. I have experience at all levels of the party, in handling disputes and in working with people with different aims and ambitions within the Labour Party. A GMB member, I have also worked for trades unions as a national officer.

I am still an active member and have served on the NCC since 2007, the London Regional Board and now the South East Regional Board. I have held office at Branch and Constituency level and 25 years as a Councillor, including deputy leader of a Labour Group, and now Chief Whip – and this has given me a wide experience invaluable in my role on the NCC.

Peter DAY

Labour has been part of my environment my whole life. In my younger days I was also involved in Trade Union affairs - took on being Equity 'rep' when I worked in the theatre and attended local Trades Council meetings. There were breaks in my membership - while I was working in Hong Kong setting up and running the Chung-Ying Theatre Company and following our sad involvement in the Iraq War. But I have been branch secretary on two occasions - most recently for Thurlow Park in Dulwich & West Norwood Constituency and for the last year as CLP Secretary too.

The recent arrival of hundreds of thousands of new members unfamiliar with the way the Party works and faced with a rather arcane rulebook has contributed to a degree of friction and my view is that the NCC has an important role to play not just in applying the rules but ensuring new members receive a useful introduction to those rules and ways of working. Also some guidelines about the accepted ways of getting rules changed. Being effective at applying rules is one thing - avoiding the breach is another. My commercial/contract experience would be a useful asset.

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David HALL

I have been a member of the Labour party for many years. Starting off as a GMB Union rep and Branch president in London, and joining the party which I saw held the best regard for working people and a successful country that benefitted the many not the few, and the importance of supporting families, especially since having two young children of my own. I have been involved actively in campaigns in different areas of the Country, from South London to now the North East (Durham area). I have been a Branch chair and was elected as a County Councillor in Durham in 2013.

Fair mindedness and ensuring a regard for the individual and the party appear to be more important now than ever before. The loyalty and support of members to their local areas, Councillors, MPs and National party cannot be understated. We are a broad party with shared goals and aspirations and we need each other to succeed. Rational consensus and a respect for the decisions of the party has to be the preferred approach. I would like to play my part in helping ensure a healthy, progressive and fair-minded party and ask for your support please.

Dalvir SINGH

I would very much appreciate your support in the NCC election as an independent and part of no slate. I have been on the Executive of my CLP for four years and presently serve as CLP Co-Chair. I'm also a BAME member and our German sister party SPD.

It is essential for a democratic political party to have a fair and robust framework of rules that reflect its values. I firmly believe people receiving justice as well as in the principle of fairness which should also apply within the Labour Party. Having studied law in both Germany and the UK I have taken an interest in conflict resolution.

Equally it is important that when the Party's rules are applied that one should always look to resolve disputes and conflicts in a way that maximises unity and effectiveness as well as avoid harm for the Party. However, never should the Party's principles be compromised.

I was nominated last year by my CLP for the NCC and picked up 8,261 votes at Conference. it is once again an honour to be nominated and I want to capitalise on last year's result and continue to promote our CLP within the Party.

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Chris WILLIAMSON

I am standing for this position following the events of last summer, which saw numerous membership applications being rejected for spurious reasons. It reminded me of a cross between a McCarthyite witch-hunt and a Stasi interrogation.

It was a troubling spectacle, which I don't want to see infecting the party's internal disciplinary procedures.

Jeremy Corbyn's policy agenda has been embraced by the vast majority of members, but it has been met with suspicion, and even hostility, by some senior party figures and officials. The Labour Party is a broad-church and there must be space inside our party for a range of views on the progressive spectrum from socialists to social democrats.

I want to ensure that the NCC is not used as a vehicle for any factionalism or witch hunts. My purpose is to guarantee that any member, who is subject to the party's disciplinary procedures, receives a fair hearing.

The disciplinary measures available to the NCC are wide-ranging and it is imperative that all NCC decisions are fair and proportionate. This will help to ensure that party members focus on beating the Tories and developing a policy agenda that offers hope to and resonates with the electorate.

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Appendix - Contemporary Motion Criteria

What are Contemporary Motions and what are they for?

Labour Party policy is made via Agenda 2020, our policy development process. Agenda 2020 operates on a rolling programme across this Parliament to develop policy for the next manifesto.

Policy Commissions consider submissions from party members, CLPs and affiliated bodies and use them to inform policy papers. Following consultation with the wider Party, papers are agreed by the National Policy Forum (NPF) before going to Annual Conference for final agreement. Through this method the Party's Policy Programme is developed. Those wishing to participate in this process can do so by making submissions via our dedicated website www.YourBritain.org.uk

Contemporary motions allow constituencies and affiliated organisations to address issues which could not otherwise have been raised through this year's process. Contemporary Motions must not be used to bypass the Party's agreed policy making process.

How do I know if my organisation's motion is "contemporary"?

Only issues of substance which can be shown to have newly arisen since the publication of the National Policy Forum's Annual Report on 5 August 2016 will be considered as valid Contemporary Motions. This process is followed in order to ensure the integrity of the policy making process and the NPF Annual Report which will go forward to Annual Conference for decision.

The NPF Annual Report 2016 can be viewed and downloaded here: <http://members.labour.org.uk/agenda-2020>

The Conference Arrangements Committee (CAC) therefore encourages all bodies considering submitting a Contemporary Motion to familiarise themselves with the issues contained in the NPF Annual Report.

Criteria for determining if a motion is contemporary

The decision on whether a motion is contemporary is taken by the Conference Arrangements Committee. In reaching a decision, it will consider the following points:

1. Has the issue been dealt with by the NPF and Policy Commissions in their work during the year? This work is set out in their reports to Conference
2. Could the issue have been sent to the NPF, Policy Commissions or the NEC for consideration before they published their annual reports? Is the issue already addressed in the Conference agenda?

A motion will be deemed to be contemporary if:

- It is no more than 250 words, addresses one issue and does not propose a rule change.
- It deals with a topic which arose after the publication of the reports and Policy Papers of the National Policy Forum (NPF), Policy Commissions or National Executive Committee on the 5 August 2016 or has not been substantively addressed in those reports.
- The issue could not otherwise have been raised through the Agenda 2020 process.
- It does not seek to by-pass either the National Policy Forum policy-making or National Executive Committee decision-making processes or to overturn or revisit the Party Policy Programme, including issues defeated at the NPF which failed to achieve the status of an alternative position.

The National Policy Forum's Annual Report is available on Membersnet at: [**http://members.labour.org.uk/agenda-2020**](http://members.labour.org.uk/agenda-2020)

Paper copies of the annual reports of the National Executive Committee and the National Policy Forum will be sent to delegates in early September.

Further detail on the policy making process is available at [**www.YourBritain.org.uk**](http://www.YourBritain.org.uk)

| Session Times | SATURDAY | SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY |
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| SUNDAY 11.00 - 12.45 | Leadership Election Conference 11.30am to 12 noon | Opening Formalities Conference Arrangements Committee Report | INTERNATIONAL POLICY COMMISSION | Financial Reports Constitutional Amendments | Policy Seminars Transport Home Affairs Equalities, Civil Society and Political Reform |
| MONDAY 09.30 - 12.45 | Women's Conference 12pm - 5pm | Merit Awards & Long Service awards Obituaries NEC REPORT | NPF Priorities & Auditor Ballot | HEALTH AND CARE POLICY COMMISSION | Trades Union Congress Speaker Co-operative Party Speaker |
| TUESDAY 09.30 - 12.45 | | NATIONAL POLICY FORUM REPORT | European Parliament Report | CHILDREN AND EDUCATION POLICY COMMISSION | |
| WEDNESDAY 10.30 - 12.00 | | PARTY REFORM | ECONOMY POLICY COMMISSION | | HOME AFFAIRS POLICY COMMISSION |
| POLICY SEMINARS 09.00 - 10.15 | | | | | |
| LUNCH 12.45 - 14.15 | | | | | |
| SUNDAY 14.15 - 17.30 | Delegate Reception Regional Receptions Fringe opens | COMMUNITIES POLICY COMMISSION <u>Local Government Report</u> <u>Mayoral Candidates</u> | ECONOMY POLICY COMMISSION <i>Debbie Abrahams</i> <u>Workplace 2020</u> | DEPUTY LEADER'S SPEECH MAYOR OF LONDON SPEECH <u>Taking the Fight to the Tories</u> | LEADER'S SPEECH |
| MON, TUES, WED 14.15-16.00 | | TRANSPORT POLICY COMMISSION <u>Scottish Report</u> <u>Welsh Report</u> <u>Northern Ireland Report</u> | Guest speaker - Scott Courtney | | |
| POLICY SEMINARS 16.15- 17.30 | | | Policy Seminars International Economy Communities | Policy Seminars Health and Care Children and Education EU Referendum | |

