



Labour's new General Secretary, Iain McNicol says he will work with Chinese for Labour to recruit the next generation of Chinese activists and politicians

Congratulations on your appointment as the new General Secretary of the Labour party. Can you tell us a bit about yourself and why you want to be the General Secretary?

First and foremost I'm an organiser and a campaigner – and I understand the way the party works at the grassroots level. From 1994 to 1997 as a self funded organiser I had to raise the money to pay for my own salary – now I can tell you that's quite an incentive!

After spending 14 years working for the Trade Union – GMB – first as an Industrial Officer and then as National Political Officer – I have developed a thorough understanding of our movement and the people we represent.

In becoming General Secretary it very much feels like I am coming home to the Party.

I want to use this experience to empower our members, supporters and affiliates to build and strengthen our movement to win back power at the next election.

The Labour Party had the worse ever post war results in the 2010 General Elections. We need a leaner, fitter and well resourced (financially) Party to fight the next General Election, what are your plans to ensure we are ready?

Over the past year, we have begun the hard work of rebuilding our party. The challenge for 2012 and beyond is not only to continue this process, but to deliver the changes we need to ensure that Labour is fit for the fight at the next election.

Rebuilding the voluntary party is crucial. An active grassroots will be key to winning again.

When I was Labour's local organiser in West London up to 1997, we had over 800 volunteers on election-day. We have to rebuild our base so that we have the same strength of support on the ground at the next election, everywhere – across the country.

I believe it's time to turn the page on the command and control systems of the past and embrace a dramatic decentralisation of party power, decision making and resourcing to empower staff, members and candidates around the UK.

Many Chinese feel that the Labour Party has deserted them, how can you assure them that this is not the case?

I believe in putting our members and supporters first. As I've said many times this summer – our biggest resource is our people. From the staff who work miracles to our local Councillors, who often go without the praise as well as our members and volunteers – who are the heart beat of our Party.

We must look for new ways to engage communities to ensure they are genuinely included and empowered and to ensure their voice is heard.

I will work to ensure members and supporters are engaged in ways that work for them; both in terms of medium and location (text, email, meetings near work or home, being supported to do Party activities with friends) and also in their vocational or work capacity – as nurses,

lawyers, teachers, entrepreneurs or carers.

Members should be engaged for reasons other than their postcode or leafleting skills – and we must better understand and work with these differences.

New people and new ideas need to be welcomed and nurtured within the Party, providing a deepening pool of talented, committed and skilled officers and volunteers. This includes individual skills development, as well as group/team or CLP level training, peer-to-peer support and mentoring opportunities.

We must also seek stronger and improved links with the affiliated and non-affiliated organisations and especially organisations like Chinese for Labour on particular issues and campaigns based on a greater flexibility in the Party's means of engagement.

Finally I am reviewing the services the Labour Party provide to its members, supporters, volunteers and activists.

Currently, there are no Chinese Labour MP or councillors, what would you do to ensure that the Party is representative of the community it serves?

We will look to Chinese for Labour to help us to develop strategies to ensure that we field more candidates from the Chinese community. In the run up to the last general election, Chinese for Labour's 'Operation Fightback 5+1' to get 6 Chinese members selected as prospective parliamentary candidates was a great step forward – but the Party needs to do more to support these initiatives.

In order to get Chinese Labour MPs and councillors elected, we need to recruit, train and then inspire Chinese members that public service and elected office is a route they should take. We will continue to work with Chinese for Labour, helping to develop recruitment tools and training programmes that will empower them to recruit the next generation of Chinese activists and politicians.

We need to widen our appeal – utilising Chinese for Labour's connections to the Chinese media, and building on the work we have done in the past to help Chinese for Labour to target your recruitment and campaigning work effectively, and demonstrate that this is a community we want to engage with.

We need a more Chinese Labour role models, what can you do as General Secretary to address that problem?

Its about ensuring involvement and representation at every level of the Party – we aren't going to have Chinese Cabinet members unless we have Chinese branch secretaries or CLP Chairs, supporting activists all the way across Party structures and bodies. So we need to do more to ensure that our Chinese members are respected, empowered and included at every level – and ensure they are given a profile within our party so that they can become role models for the next generation. The fact that Chinese for Labour has been accepted as an affiliate is a step in that process – as Chinese for Labour gains momentum and people start



to recognise and see the work that you do, then role models will emerge.

I have worked with Sarah Owen over the recent years and met Sonny recently; fantastic advocates for your community, we need more Sarah's and Sonny's. I will do my bit to ensure they build on recent developments.

Quick fire:

X Factor or Strictly Come Dancing?

X Factor

The Apprentice or Dragon's Den?

Apprentice

Denim or Chinos?

Denim

Fish & Chips or Burgers?

Fish and Chips

Wine or Beer?

Irn Bru – ok – Wine

1.恭喜你成为工党新一任秘书长。能不能自我介绍一下，说说你为什么担任秘书长这个职务？

首先我是一个组织者和社会活动家，我清楚我们工党在基层的运作方式。从1994年到1997年，作为一个需要自己筹款的活动组织者，我必须在筹款时把自己的薪水也搞定，现在我可以告诉你，那会让你很有动力！

我为GMB工会工作了14年，起先是产业活动负责人，然后做全国政治活动负责人，这些经历让我充分了解我们开展的运动和我们代表的人们。

担任工党秘书长这一职务，非常有一种回家的感觉。

我希望通过我的工作带动我们的党员、支持者和各级机构一起组织和加强我们的运动，在下次大选中赢回执政权。

2.在2010年的大选中，工党遭遇了二战后最差的表现。我们需要一位领袖，一个健康和财力充沛的党去拼搏下一届大选，你如何筹划以让我们在此之前做好准备？

在过去的一年里，我们已经开始了重塑工党的艰苦工作。2012年和此后的挑战不仅仅是继续这一努力，而且还要落实我们期待的改变去确保工党在下届大选中的竞争力。重建民众的信任至关重要，活跃的基层组织是赢得大选的关键。

在1997年之前我是工党在伦敦西区的地区组织者，在选举日里，我们有超过800人的志愿者出力。我们必须重建基层力量，这样在下届大选中我们才能在全国的任何地方都获得同样有力的支持。

我相信现在是改变党内以往的命令和控制机制的时候了，要实施大范围的放权，将党的权力、决策和资源下放给全英国的党员和候选人。

3. 很多华人觉得他们被工党抛弃了，你如何让他们相信事实并非如此？

我认为首先要考虑的是我们的党员和支持者。正如我在今年夏天多次讲过的，我们最大的资源就是我们的人民。他们包括那些努力工作的同事，我们任劳任怨的地方议员，还有我们的党员和志愿者，他们是工党的脉搏。

我们必须寻找新的途径去深入社区，让民众真正地参与，并确保他们的呼声得到倾听。

我的工作将确保党员和支持者能够通过有效的途径参与我们的活动，无论就媒介还是地点而言都是如此（如短信、电邮、工作地或离住所近便的会议、鼓励和支持与友人参与工党的活动等），也无论其职业，如护士、律师、教师、企业家或护理人员。发展党员不应仅仅看他们的选区和发传单的能力，我们必须更好地理解并应对不同的需求。

在党内要欢迎和鼓励新人和新想法，聚集一批有才华，有决心和有策略的干部和志愿者。这包括发展个人技能，也包括团队培训或文化领导项目的培训，党员之间的互帮互助和辅导。

我们必须寻求与关联机构和非关联组织加强联系，特别是和人工党这样的组织在特定的问题和活动中合作，采取更灵活的方式，提高参与度。

最后，我正在检讨工党提供给其党员、支持者、志愿者和积极分子的服务。

4. 目前，工党还没有华人国会议员和地方议员，你将如何采取措施让工党充分代表其所服务的社区？

我们期待人工党能够制定方略从华人社区选拔更多的候选人。在上次大选之前，人工党为推出6名国会议员参选人的“反击5+1”计划就朝这个目标迈出了坚实的一步，但工党还需要更多的作为来支持人工党的努力。

为了工党能够产生华人国会议员和地区议员的目标，我们需要招募、培训并激励华人党员，让他们坚信公共服务和选举是他们应当从事的事业。我们会继续同人工党的合作，帮助制定招募和培训计划，帮他们招募到新一代的华裔积极分子和政治家。

我们需要利用人工党同华文媒体的联系，在以往工作的基础上广泛呼吁，支持人工党有效地开展招募工作和社会活动，以此来表明工党对华人社区的重视。

5. 我们工党需要一个有更多中国色彩的楷模人物，你作为工党的秘书长将怎样做？

这需要在党内的各个层次确保参与性和代表性。如果我们没有华裔的支部秘书长或文化领袖项目的主席，如果党内的各个层次和团体中没有华裔的积极分子，

我们就不可能有华裔的内阁成员。所以我们还有很多工作要做，让我们的华党员在党内的各个层次都受到尊重、得到重视，要赋予他们在党内的形象，让他们可以成为下一代的楷模。事实上，

人工党作为工党的一个分支机构，就是朝这个目标迈进了一步，因为人工党的作为很有声势，人民开始看到你们所做的工作，楷模就会出现。

我近几年曾经和萨拉·欧文一起共事，最近刚刚认识索尼（辛尼先生），对自己社区而言他们都是很棒的代言人，我们需要更多像萨拉和索尼这样的人。我会尽我所能，让他们的工作更上一层楼。

6. 快问快答：

问：你喜欢看X Factor 还是‘舞林大会’？

答：X Factor。

问：喜欢看‘学徒’还是‘龙穴创业’？

答：学徒。

问：你喜欢穿牛仔还是纯棉衣？

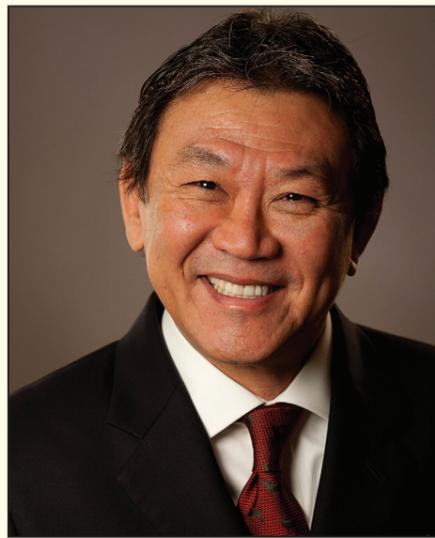
答：牛仔。

问：喜欢吃鱼薯条还是汉堡？

答：鱼薯条。

问：喜欢红酒还是啤酒？

答：我爱喝 Im Bru 饮料，算了，我还是选红酒吧。



Sonny Leong

From the Chair...

HOPE you all had a good summer.

We had a good Conference, we were well represented in Liverpool, and for the first time, our contemporary motion was successfully balloted and I was privileged to be called to speak in support of the motion which was voted in favour by the delegates.

Ed Miliband's speech to conference was full of the right sort of values, and constructed around issues that resonate with hard working families – ‘fat cats’, bankers, work and welfare, rewarding the decent and cutting off the irresponsible. The overriding message was that he wanted to regain public trust and change the system to reward hard work and responsibility – in business, in welfare and in schools.

“In every generation there comes a moment when we need to change the way we do things,” he said. “This is one of those moments.”

It was a speech about standing up

for the decent, law-abiding, community-spirited majority.

The Party also launched a Supporters Network – registered supporters are people who may not want to join Labour at the moment, but are strong supporters of the Party or representatives in their area. So when you are out campaigning, recruit supporters on your doorstep or online and invite them to join you in social campaigning, policy events and send them regular information on what Labour is doing.

As part of the Refounding Labour programme, we will develop a training and mentoring programme targeted at Chinese for Labour members, which will equip them with the necessary skills to seek selection.

We need your help in identifying potential candidates in your constituency who may be interested in standing for elected office. It is my challenge to see that Chinese for Labour put forward as many candidates in forthcoming elections, let's work together to achieve that and ensure that the first Chinese MP is a Labour MP.

I am pleased that we are again supporting the MuLan 2011 Awards. These awards are recognition of the tremendous effort by women in the Chinese community who voluntarily put themselves forward in so many community projects. The Awards presentation reception was held in Shanghai Blues restaurant, Holborn, London on Wednesday 19th October 2011.

Two major events are being planned – a Chinese Students Reception in Westminster and “An Evening with Tony Blair” are being organised. We will keep you informed when we have dates and details confirmed, or alternatively, email us on info@chineseforallabour.org for details.

Finally, a date for your diary – please keep Wednesday, 1st February 2012 evening free – we will be hosting our Annual Gala Chinese New Year Banquet. Further information will be sent out shortly.

Scotland and China – a strate

by Rt Hon Lord Jack McConnell was First Minister of Scotland 2001-2007 and is an Honorary Fellow of the 48 Group Club, the Icebreakers

In the 80's and 90's Scottish economic development policy had been driven by the attraction of inward investment in high volume manufacturing (mainly electronics) from Taiwan, Japan and Korea. As those jobs began to disappear at the end of the nineties, initially to Eastern Europe, but increasingly to China and elsewhere in Asia, we needed a new strategy.

When I became First Minister in 2001, I was determined to promote Scottish exports and to develop the kind of country to country partnerships that I believed would reap rewards in the longer term.

So when we made economic growth the top priority of the Scottish Government for the 2003-2007 term, and set about revitalizing Scotland's international reputation, a visit to China was essential. I had my chance in October 2004. The main purpose of my visit was to establish an educational partnership for the long term, but there was other business to do too.

I started with an agreement to exchange scientific research through the Royal Botanical Gardens, and was

immediately fascinated by the history of collaboration that went back centuries. Established companies like Howdens and Standard Life, and newer entrants like Clyde Blowers and RBS were supported at events and in discussions with Government.

State Councillor Tang Jaixuan, responsible for Foreign Affairs, had visited Edinburgh in 2003 and as I was keen to develop strong relations and respect the position he held, I had rearranged meetings in London to be back in Edinburgh to greet him. Tang opened our discussion in Beijing with that memory and stated that following that act of courtesy and respect I would always be welcome in China and our countries would become good friends.

I raised issues of Human Rights, but I also learned to respect the challenges they faced – and the need to be able to learn from each other.

One of the highlights of that first visit was a night of Scottish food and entertainment at the Embassy hosted by Ambassador Sir Christopher Hum. He surprised the guests present by

introducing himself Ambassador for Scotland – to great cheers!

A whisky tasting in Shanghai was another opportunity to promote our national drink, at that time the second

most imported drink in China behind brandy. A concerted campaign backed by my government in Edinburgh and led by the Scotch Whisky Association was to see whisky overtake brandy and become



Is saying sorry enough?

by Lauren Pang, Chinese for Labour's ExCo member

DAVID Cameron has apologised for comments he made earlier this year to female MPs that were widely seen as sexist and "out of touch" with women. It is questionable timing – the prime minister's apology comes amid growing anxiety at the heart of government about loss of support among female voters and less than a fortnight since a No.10 memo was leaked to the press on secret plans to win back the female vote.



The Coalition government should be worried. Women have been hit hardest by their actions and no amount of government spin can undo the harm that they have done. A third of women work in the public sector where jobs are being cut at an alarming rate and female unemployment is now the highest it has been in a quarter century. Many families depend on income from women as well as men. This, along with cuts to child care support, the end of Educational Maintenance Allowance (EMA) and unprecedented hikes to university fees has placed substantial pressure on family budgets. It is an appalling record for a government that only recently celebrated its first year in power. Yet it is hardly surprising that women's interests are a policy "blind spot" when government is doggedly pursuing an economic plan 'A' at the cost of all else.

The bulk of public sector cuts have fallen on youth services, early years and children's centres, Connexions careers advice, as well as back-office administrative functions – fields that even by public sector standards employ more women than men. This sends out a disconcerting message that the work done by women in these roles is no longer valued. Take for example, Citizen R who worked as a local authority education advisor and whose real name is now known as Siân Rowland. Siân shared her experience of being made redundant through a personal blog entitled "I was a public sector worker". She writes: "...not being the person who saves your life, rescues your cat or empties your bins, I'm first against the public spending cut wall... I'll be joining the mass ranks of the unemployed come the end of the financial year. So as the government fiddles while England burns, I shall record the highs and lows of what it means to be a member of that dying breed. The public sector worker."

So, what is a girl to do? While, the prospect of leaving the public sector to join a private company is less than appealing for some women, myself included. There are others who have gone a step further and more and more great women, like Siân, are building businesses from the ground up.

Ms Olivia Lum, from Singapore was awarded the prestigious Ernst and Young World Entrepreneur of the year 2011. She is the first woman to hold the title in the prize's 11-year history and her story is an inspiration. Adopted at birth and raised in poverty in Kampar, Malaysia she worked as a child labourer to contribute to her family and to fund her education. Her resourcefulness and positivity took her through her university years and in and out of employment with one of the largest pharmaceutical companies in the world. She went on to found Hyflux, a company offering water management and environmental solutions with projects in Singapore, Southeast Asia, China, India, Algeria, the Middle East and North Africa.

I personally believe we should celebrate the achievements of great women from all walks of life, from kind dinner ladies and caring parents to the leading female scientists and entrepreneurs like Ms Lum. The rise of female entrepreneurs is most welcome. If business is said to be "a man's world" then we need great women to rise to the challenge and shape the future of industry. However, I remain sceptical that a few throwaway policies aimed at women voters will be of much help. Women will judge this government on its actions and the intent behind these. Far from representing women and our interests, this government has largely dismissed or in certain cases ridiculed women and what we stand for. Those in government, including a very sorry Mr Cameron, would do well to remember, hell hath no fury like a woman voter scorned.

gic partnership

number one. Indeed between 2001 and 2006 the value of Scotch Whisky exports to China increased from £1million to £58million.

Following the 2004 visit, we agreed to establish a Scottish Affairs Office in the British Embassy in Beijing. The first appointment was a huge success and the post still exists today.

I was in no doubt by the end of that first visit that our longer term interest lay in educational partnerships. Shortly afterwards we signed a formal agreement with the then Chinese Minister for Education Zhou Ji. My target of every institution of Higher Education in Scotland having a Chinese partner was well underway.

Napier University developed significant and deep relations, Edinburgh University secured one of the first Confucius Institutes in 2005, Motherwell and other Colleges developed relationships and programmes – and it was terrific to meet students from China all over Scotland as their numbers grew.

Meanwhile pilot schools in Scotland started to teach Mandarin, and teacher

exchanges between China and Scotland grew. These links were important for the individuals involved, for our wider economic interests, but also for the development of cultural understanding that is so essential when dealing with a country that has such a rich history and proud traditions.

I returned in March 2006 to see links really moving on. I opened a new Beijing HQ for Standard Life - at an indoor event with fireworks in the room! I signed agreements on education and tourism – the first golf tourism promotion in particular was a great initiative – and I saw for myself how the teacher exchanges were developing links and skills in new areas. Visiting schools, I could see that for young Chinese education was taken seriously and very definitely was the route to a better life.

Today engagement with China is a mainstream component of Scotland's international strategy, and I remain convinced that education is the key to our ability to share prosperity – and understanding – in the world future generations will inherit from us

A first for Chinese for Labour

by Sonny Leong,
Chair of Chinese for Labour was called
to speak to Conference on
Monday, 26 November 2011.

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This is what he said, "Less than fifty miles from here, seven years ago on a cold February morning, twenty three Chinese people went out to work, just like millions of us that day, except that they did not come back – they all died doing their job."

Conference, we call on the Government to implement the Agency Workers Directive quickly and fairly, to ensure fair treatment for agency workers, many of whom come from the Chinese and other Asian communities.

The Chinese community is the fastest growing non-European ethnic group in the UK.

Conference, we believe that a key aim of the Labour Party should be to focus on fairness in the workplace, including for those migrant workers in our economy, and to ensure fair and competitive markets for businesses.

Conference, we recognise that agency work can provide valuable flexibility at work and can be a useful route for people to get back into the workplace but that there needs to be fairness for workers and businesses to stop abuses and the unscrupulous.

Conference, we also recognise the work of the Labour Government, working with the TUC and CBI, on a British framework for implementing the European Agency Workers Directive, giving increased protection to agency workers.

On behalf of the twenty three families, we call on Conference to support Composite 1. Thank you."

More Chinese should consider becoming school governors

THE School Governors' One-Stop Shop (SGOSS), an independent charity working with schools across England, is looking for business and community leaders to serve on governing bodies around the country.

Sonny Leong, Chair of Chinese for Labour, believes it is beneficial both for schools and those from the Chinese community who volunteer to govern. It gives great insight into the critical element of how our schools and colleges are run and also provides personal development in working with an entirely different group of volunteers.

Volunteers do not have to be parents, nor do they need experience of the education system. The most important qualification is a desire to help give children the highest possible standard of education. Particular skills gained from life or business experience can also add value.

The most important quality is a desire to help give children the best possible start in life. Anyone aged 18 or over, who

is legally resident in the UK and not disqualified from being a school governor can apply to be one.

Being a governor is an enormously challenging and rewarding opportunity. A sense of satisfaction through knowing children will benefit from your efforts. The opportunity to develop new skills and to strengthen existing ones, work with new people from different backgrounds, and gain awareness of the education system.

The governing body is answerable to parents and the community. The core responsibilities can be summarised as:

- providing strategic management
- acting as a critical friend to the school
- ensuring accountability
- promoting high standards of education and achievement
- planning the schools' long term future
- setting the school's aims and values
- appointing senior members of staff including the Head Teacher
- budgetary allocation and control

Interested in finding out more about volunteering, visit
www.sgoss.org.uk

Executive Committee Members 2010/2011

Sonny Leong

Sonny Leong is the Chair of Chinese for Labour and a member of the Development Board of Labour Party 1000 Club. He has over 25 years of publishing experience, having worked in various academic and professional publishing houses. He founded Cavendish Publishing and developed it to be the largest independent academic law publisher in the UK before it was acquired by Informa PLC. He was formerly the Chairman and now Hon President of the Independent Publishers Guild, former Chair of International Division and Council member of the Publishers Association in the UK. He is on the Board of the Council for Education in the Commonwealth, and was Chair of Book Power, a registered UK charity which makes available specially selected, unabridged editions of international, tertiary-level textbooks to students in developing countries, and is involved with various consortiums in donor agency projects. He is also a Council member of the Singapore-British Business Council (SBBC), a joint governmental programme for promoting bilateral trade between the two countries. He is a regular speaker and contributor on publishing issues, politics and policy debates.

Lady (Katy Tse) Blair

Katy is the second Vice Chair of Chinese for Labour. She is one of the Founders of Chinese for Labour and Islington Chinese Association. Katy is a member of the Executive Committee of Cfl and her contribution to the Committee is much appreciated. She is very committed to helping and improving the life of Chinese people in the community. She works tirelessly to ensure that Islington Chinese Association serves the local people well. ICA is one of the most successful Chinese associations, providing advice, care and a pleasant environment for the local Chinese community, enabling them to get together every day. Katy's experience of working with the

community is of particular value to Chinese for Labour. Other than being a trustee on various community and voluntary organisations, Katy was a Non-Executive Director with the Islington Primary Care Trust

Dr Mee Ling Ng, OBE

Mee Ling is the first Vice Chair of Chinese for Labour. Mee Ling was the Founder Chair of Cfl, leading us with distinction and success until pressure of work forced her to relinquish her Chairmanship. Under her leadership as Chair, Cfl has gained recognition in the Chinese Community and in the Labour Party. Mee Ling was a Councillor in the London Borough of Lewisham for 16 years and was Deputy Leader of the Council for a number of years. Currently, she is the Chair of Southwark Primary Care Trust, a position she has held for a number of years. In recognition of her services to the Chinese Community and to the wider community, Mee Ling was awarded an OBE.

Lauren Pang

Lauren Pang is a new member of the Labour Party and the latest addition to the Chinese for Labour executive committee. After graduating with an MA in Economics from Cambridge University she was headhunted by the Department for Trade and Industry and is currently working as a local government researcher. She has spent five years in this role and is dedicated to raising awareness about East London's most vulnerable children and families through her research and in her role as an advisor to the Children's Trust board. She hopes to bring her passion for baking and blogging to local Labour campaigning in her home town of Southend, Essex.

Dr Stephen Lui Nam Ng, PhD

Stephen is Press & Media Officer, also a founder of Chinese for Labour. He is a long serving member of

Islington Chinese Association, and has given a lot of his time and effort to these organisations. He is one of the key members of Cfl and is currently its Media Officer. He is a dedicated Trustee of Islington Chinese Association and the Great Wall Society Home for Elderly Chinese People. He works tirelessly for the Chinese community in various capacities. Stephen was joint winner of the Outstanding Contribution to Community Volunteering Award in 2005.

Gordon Lyew

Gordon is Treasurer of Chinese for Labour, a long standing member of the Labour Party, and Cooperative Party member. He is an anti-racist campaigner and a former trade unionist. He advocates the fight for civil rights, justice from racism, oppression, and combating hate crimes. He has made remarkable contribution using his trade union status to ensure and promote free speech with effective strategies to instigate positive change within a number of fundamental institutions. Working within the Black and Ethnic Minority communities, he has gained first hand knowledge of the needs and shortcomings of many current fundamental infrastructures. He is committed to the regeneration of all communities.

Vicki Kan

Vicki is the Women's Officer and Membership Secretary for Chinese for Labour. She has been successful in her career in the Pharmaceutical industry in the past nine years while also being a small business owner in Manchester, where she is originally from. She therefore has a keen interest in business related matters. She has been a long time Labour supporter having worked on several election campaigns since 2006, and a Labour Party member since early 2010.

Selena Shen

Selena is the Youth Office of Chinese for Labour and currently a law student at the London School of Economics. She has an avid passion for Labour politics, and is an active member of her university Labour Society.

Her yet expanding political profile includes working on David Miliband's leadership campaign. She is keen to use her campaigning skills to recruit more like-minded young people into Chinese for Labour.

Soon-Hoe Teh

Teh is the Auditor of Chinese for Labour. Teh was a Councillor in Barnet from 2002 to 2006 and has also been a Non-Executive Director of Barnet Primary Care Trust. Teh has now retired from these activities.

Ashton McGregor

Ash is an Executive Committee member of Chinese for Labour, he hails from the North East and lives in east London. A member of the GMB, Fabian Society and Cooperative Party, he is also a former Chair of Chinese for Labour and is the youngest ever Chinese Labour councillor. In 2010 he was the Parliamentary agent to a Labour MP in one of the few English Tory target seats where there was a swing to Labour. Much travelled across the public sector Ash currently works in policing. He has previously advised the Home Office's Policing Bureau Taskforce and has advised the Department of Health's Diabetes and Cancer Tsars on health inequalities.

Bhavna Joshi

Bhavna is an Executive Committee Member of Cfl. She has been a member of the Labour Party since 1997. Elected as a local Councillor in London from 2002 to 2006 and stood for Parliament in 2010. Currently, she is a regional representative on the National Policy Forum, a School Governor of two schools and a Trustee of Stevenage Community Trust. Bhavna works for a pharmaceutical company, working with local health organisations on projects which improve access to contraception. She is involved in improving Asian representation in her workplace, and it is these skills that she hopes to utilise with Cfl.

Come on, join us

Chinese for Labour membership supports and promotes the values and principles of the Labour Party in order to improve the quality of life of the Chinese community in Britain.

The Labour Party is a democratic socialist party. It believes that by the strength of our common endeavour we achieve more than we achieve alone, so as to create for each of us the means to realise our true potential and for all of us a community in which power, wealth and opportunities are in the hands of the many not the few, where the rights we enjoy reflect the duties we owe, and where we live together, freely, in a spirit of solidarity, tolerance and respect.

工党的理想

工党是个民主社会主义政党。它致力于创造一个新的社会，在这个社会里，权力、财富和机遇是掌握在大众手里而不是被一小撮人所操纵；人们在享有权利的同时也承担与其所享权利相符的义务；人们以团结、忍让和互相尊重的精神自由地共同生活。与此同时它亦致力于创造社会的每一份子创造条件以便发挥其真正潜能。为了实现理想，它坚信若以团体力量共同奋斗所取得的成就将远胜于由个人去单独争取。



Membership Application Form

Yes. I wish to join Chinese for Labour

Personal details

Title	Surname
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Forenames	Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
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Address:

Postcode: _____ Date of birth: _____

Home Tel No: _____ Mobile No: _____

Trade Union (optional): _____ Occupation: _____

Email address: _____

Type of Membership & Fees

<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	<input type="checkbox"/> Organisation
Individual Membership £10.00	Name of organisation (if applicable)
Unemployed/student/ over 60 years £5.00	Organisation £30.00

Methods of Payment

By Cheque: Please make cheque payable to **Chinese for Labour**.

By Standing Order: Please complete the Form on the next page.

Declaration: I/My Organisation am/is (delete as appropriate) not a member of any other Political Party or Political Organisation.

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____

Please send the completed Application Form to:

PO Box 277, Didcot, Oxfordshire OX11 1DR.

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Chinese for Labour seeks to:

- Increase the recruitment of Chinese people to the Labour Party
- Increase the involvement and representation of Chinese people within the Labour Party
- Increase Chinese support for the Labour Party at elections

Membership benefits:

- Receive regular information on all issues affecting the Chinese community
- Financial assistance may be available to potential candidates offering themselves for election to local, regional, national and European elections
- Participate in formal or informal events with MPs and Ministers

New Standing Order Mandate/Authority

To: _____ Bank Plc

Branch: _____

Account Name: _____

Account No: _____

Sort Code: _____

Please accept this as my/our instruction to pay to the following account:

Payee: **Chinese for Labour**

Bank: The Co-Operative Bank, Plc

Customer Services

PO Box 250

Skelmersdale

WN8 6WT

Account: 65049637

Sort Code: 08-92-99

The sum of (Please tick one only)

<input type="checkbox"/> £5	<input type="checkbox"/> £10	<input type="checkbox"/> £30
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Customer(s) Signature(s): _____

Date: _____ 2011

Contact Telephone No: _____