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Information from the Conference Committee for Saturday 4th October. Please read in conjunction with the Agenda.

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**Saturday 4th October**
15.00pm - 15.30
Room Katrine, SECC

**Sunday 5th October**
15.00pm - 15.30
Room Katrine, SECC

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Protecting public services and making them work for the individual

Saturday 20.15-21.30
Carron 1, SECC

Partners: Lib Dem Working Group on Public Services and PwC

Speakers:  
- **Julia Goldsworthy**, PPC for Camborne, Redruth & Hayle;  
- **Jeremy Hargreaves**, Lib Dem Working Group;  
- **Norman Lamb MP**, Minister of State for Care and Support;  
- **Rick Muir**, Associate Director for Public Service Reform, IPPR;  
- **Chair: Prof Stephen Lee**, Chief Executive, CentreForum.

Join us this evening for a preview and wide-ranging discussion of the public services motion being put to conference: ‘Protecting Public Services and Making Them Work for You’.

Refreshments served.

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Saturday 4th October

Additions and updates to the Agenda for Saturday 4th October.

Presidential Hustings

10.00–11.30, Argyll Suite, Crowne Plaza.

Come and quiz the four candidates for party president: Sal Brinton, Daisy Cooper, Linda Jack and Liz Lynne.

Please submit your questions to the chair, Geoff Payne, on a card submitted at the Argyll Suite between 09.30 and 09.50. Please include your name, local party and a short question. Those selected to ask questions will do so in turn and there will be a chance to ask a supplementary question once the candidates have answered.

F2 Report: Federal Conference Committee

Q1 Submitted by Peter Tyzack

The Scottish referendum affected the date of our conference, and it may be better for us to be after the other Parties, but why did we have to coincide with Eid?

Q2 Alisdair McGregor

Why has Federal Conference Committee implemented an online webform as a means of submission which does not permit the full range of submission support to be included?

Q3 Submitted by Mark Pack

What were the dates and locations of publication of the meeting reports promised for after each committee meeting at the March conference Q & A?

Q4 Submitted by Robbie Simpson

What policies do the Federal Conference Committee and the Conference Office have with regards to the acceptance of bookings for conference fringes and exhibition space by organisations linked to repressive or dictatorial foreign governments?

Ministerial Q&A sessions

Saturday

Energy with Ed Davey
15.00–16.00, SECC, Carron 1

DCLG with Stephen Williams
16.30–17.30, SECC, Carron 1

See Conference Extra for details of all sessions

Pastoral Care Surgery

Who: Jeanne Tarrant, Pastoral Care Officer, is running a surgery at Conference; there’s also an opportunity for you to discuss any issues with Helena Morrissey.

Where: Egg Suite at Glasgow Science Centre, directly across the river from the SECC.

When: Monday 6th October.

Time: There will be 8 one-to-one sessions by appointment only, to held between 11am and 1pm, if you would like one contact Jeanne on 07884 733 262 to arrange.

1pm –2pm open discussions.

You can also arrange to speak to Jeanne by calling her on 07884 733 262 to arrange a suitable time.
F4 Reducing Poverty and Discrimination

The Conference Committee has accepted the following drafting amendments to the motion:

1. In 11. (line 78) delete ‘such as’ and insert ‘including abuses of’, and delete ‘intra-corporation’ and insert ‘intra-group’.

2. After ix) (line 35) insert:
   x) According to International Labour Organisation estimates there are 21 million people who are the victims of forced labour across and the world.

3. After 10. (line 74) insert:
   11. Support the recommendations of the Joint Parliamentary Committee on the Draft Modern Slavery Bill and work to incorporate its recommendations on addressing slavery in the supply chain.

Amendment One

13 conference representatives
Mover: Cllr Mathew Hulbert
Summation: Suzanne Fletcher

1. After 12. (line 82) add:
   13. Encourage and support the Fairtrade movement in promoting ‘aid through trade’ to ensure that farmers and workers in the developing world receive a fair and stable price for their products, and also to encourage the use of Fairtrade products wherever possible throughout the Parliamentary estate.

Background briefing

This motion updates and develops existing policy on international development as set out in policy paper 97, Accountability to the Poor (2010). In particular, it creates new policy on eliminating TB, HIV and malaria, treating tax evasion as a development issue and integrating environmental sustainability with economic development.

F6 Expanding the Democracy of our Party with One Member One Vote

There will be a separate vote to delete 2. (lines 10–11).

Amendment One

37 conference representatives
Mover: Mark Pack
Summation: Duncan Brack

1. Delete line 12 and insert:
   Conference, however, regrets the multiple flaws in the proposed constitutional and standing order amendments proposed to this conference, and the inclusion of new measures not previously consulted on, including (but not limited to):
a) Ambiguous or confusing wording in the amendments to Articles 2.7, 7.2 and 8.1.
b) The failure to amend Article 6.10(h), on the Federal Conference Committee.
c) The abolition of the requirement for those calling for a special conference to come from 20 different local parties, making it possible for one local party on its own to call a special conference in many cases.
d) A new and uncosted requirement for policy consultation papers to be sent to every party member, whether or not the party has a working email address for them.
e) The failure to amend conference standing orders 1.3(b), 1.4, 1.6, 3.1, 3.2 and 4.5, all of which would retain references to conference representatives despite other amendments abolishing them.
f) The failure to propose any amendments to committee election regulations.

Conference also believes that any expansion of the electorate must be accompanied by other reforms to improve the flow of information on the activity of party committees and their elected members to the newly increased electorate.

Conference therefore agrees in principle to expanding the rights of members as set out above, but subject first to federal conference voting through:

i) A newly drafted set of constitutional and standing order amendments and election regulations that accurately and comprehensively cover the changes required for implementing this principle.

ii) Amendments to the party constitution requiring the Federal Conference Committee, the Federal Executive, the Federal Finance and Administration Committee, the Federal Policy Committee and the International Relations Committee each to produce a written report after each full meeting of the committee, with the report to be made available to all party members via the party’s website or such other electronic means as the Chief Executive shall decide is practical.

iii) A new confidentiality policy for attendees at federal committee meetings which significantly relaxes the current de facto situation while protecting necessary confidentiality over personnel decisions and information that would advantage our political opponents if made public and which writes the confidentiality policy into the party's constitution.

iv) A new process for members of a federal committee to request that a public vote be recorded on any decision, with the terms of the vote and the voting record for each committee member.

v) One of a range of options tabled to amend the Federal Committee Election regulations to allow more campaigning by candidates and to require any online voting system to prompt voters to first view candidates’ manifestos before being able to vote.

Amendment Two

Federal Executive
Mover: James Gurling
Summation: Louise Ankers

1 In line 8 after ‘fee’ insert: ‘if their membership is in at least its second continuous year, and have paid their membership renewal’.

F9 Towards Safer Sex Work

There will be a separate vote to delete v) (lines 62–67) and ix) (lines 77–79) and, in 2. (lines 104–105), to delete the words ‘opposition to any steps to implement the Nordic model and’.
Amendment One

Oxford East
Mover: Kirsten Johnson
Summation: Kirsten Johnson

1. In B. (line 84), after ‘adults’ insert ‘in private’.

2. Delete C. (lines 85–87) and insert:

3. C. Every adult has the right to engage in sex work if they so choose, and every adult has the right to protection from being sexually exploited.

Background briefing

This motion updates and develops existing policy as set out in policy paper 3, Confronting Prostitution (1994). In particular it develops policy on the “Merseyside model” in which crimes against sex workers are treated as hate crimes and rejects the “Nordic model” of decriminalising sex workers but criminalising clients.
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