

NEC Rule Changes

As you may be aware, the NEC met on 19th September, 2017, and decided to support the following rule changes:

1. Increasing the number of CLP places on the NEC by three, and increasing the number of trade unions places by one.
 2. Reducing the threshold of nominations of MPs and MEPs required for candidates to get onto the ballot in a leadership contest from 15% to 10%.
 3. Requirements that the NEC regards any incident which in their view demonstrates prejudice based on age; disability; gender reassignment or identity; marriage and civil partnership; pregnancy and maternity; race; religion or belief; sex; or sexual orientation, as well as incidents involving racism, anti-Semitism, Islamophobia or otherwise racist language, sentiments, stereotypes or actions, sexual harassment, bullying or any form of intimidation towards another person on the basis of a protected characteristic as determined by the NEC, as conduct prejudicial to the Party.
- These changes are a welcome first step in the transformation of Labour into a members-led party, and are the product of the pressure created by an overwhelming majority of member elected delegates such as yourself backing reform of the party. Momentum recommends voting in favour of them.

Jeremy Corbyn democracy review process

In addition, the NEC has announced that there will be a review covering various areas of party reform, including the policy making process, BAME Labour, Young Labour, local government, and regional structures among others. This review will be completed in time for next year's Conference, and is an exciting opportunity to achieve further reforms to the Labour Party.

CLPD Rally

Please try and make sure that at least one person from your delegation attends the CLPD Rally on Saturday at 6.30pm at the Quaker Meeting House on Ship Street.

Priorities Ballot (Sunday 9.30am-3.30pm)

The Conference Arrangements Committee (CAC) is currently deciding which contemporary motions are being ruled in and ruled out of order. Based on this, there will be a priorities ballot on Sunday from 10am until 3.30pm to decide which subject areas will be debated at Conference. You will be able to get recommendations on subject areas to vote for from the CLPD rally, the Yellow Pages, Momentum's Conference app, emails and text messages from Momentum.

Debating the National Policy Forum Report

The National Policy Forum is an important institution for developing party policy. The Manifesto is already agreed party policy and will be considered alongside the NPF report. However, some sections of the NPF report are inadequate. For example, some of them lag behind the Party Manifesto in terms of policy development. Delegates are encouraged to take part in the policy discussions. When speaking, if a delegate feels that a section of the NPF report is sufficiently problematic that it needs further

consideration, they should refer it back. This year, thanks to a rule change from Sheffield Heeley which was voted through at last year's Conference, it is possible for delegates to refer back parts of the NPF Report. If a delegate does decide to do this, it is advisable that they specify clearly the section, page, paragraph, and precise sentences they want to refer back, and they explain why.

Communications at Conference

In addition to emails and our Conference app, Momentum will also be contacting delegates via text messages at this Conference. You may have already received one from Morgan, a volunteer, last week. We will also be sending out emailed updates addressed from myself, and with the subject line 'Momentum Delegate Update' - followed by the date and time.

Remember you can also keep yourself up to speed with by [checking out our website](#).