

special conference

at NEC, Birmingham 16th May 2010

conference extra



Updates to the *Conference Agenda* and *Directory*, information from the Conference Committee and amendments to the motion.

contents

Updates to conference information

Updates and amendments for the agenda for Sunday 16th May

PDF and plain text versions of this Conference Extra and of the Agenda and Directory are available for download online from:
www.libdems.org.uk/specialconference

Published by Policy Projects Team, Liberal Democrats, 4 Cowley Street, London, SW1P 3NB.

Design and layout by Mike Cooper, mikecooper@mccweb.demon.co.uk.



Printed on recycled paper

information update

1 speaking in the debate

2 Conference representatives wishing to speak in the debate **must complete a speaker's card**, and Conference representatives wishing to make an intervention **must complete an intervention card**.

Cards can be obtained from the **steward** overseeing the block of seats in the auditorium in which you are sitting, or from the **Information Desk** from **08.30 on Sunday 16th May**.

Hand the completed card to the **Information Desk** (before the auditorium opens) or to a **steward** in the auditorium (after it opens) **as early as possible**; the earlier you hand it in, the greater your chance of being called to speak.

Interveners will be chosen at random from amongst the intervention cards submitted.

Speakers (other than the mover and summator) will have a maximum of 4 minutes; interventions will have a maximum of one minute.

See *speaking in the debate* and *interventions* in the *Agenda and Directory*.

change that works for you

BUILDING A FAIRER BRITAIN

sunday 16th may

13.10 Business Motion

S2 Change that works for you: building a fairer Britain in government

Federal Executive

Mover: (Andrew Stunell MP)

Summation: (Chris Huhne MP)

Amendment One

14 conference representatives

Mover: Dr Evan Harris

1 *After line 6 insert:*

2 Conference notes that negotiations with the Labour Party were not fruitful, despite the best
3 endeavours and good faith of the Liberal Democrat negotiating team, because many in the
4 Labour Party did not wish to participate in a coalition with the Liberal Democrats or to continue in
5 government; and that therefore it was not possible to form a stable administration with the Labour
6 Party.

7 Conference further notes that a stable coalition with the Conservatives with a clear partnership
8 agreement has significant advantages for the country, for the implementation of progressive
9 policies and for the creation of a more cooperative style of politics compared to the remaining
10 option of a minority Conservative administration.

Amendment Two

15 conference representatives

Mover: David Grace

1 *After line 26 insert:*

2 Conference recognises that party members in government and in parliament will be bound by the
3 usual conventions and by the terms of this agreement but declares that the Liberal Democrats
4 remain an independent political party and that nothing in this agreement prevents the party from
5 developing new policy through its democratic processes.

Amendment Three

23 conference representatives

Mover: James Graham

1 *At end, add:*

2 Conference calls for Liberal Democrats to work constructively in government to ensure that the
3 net income and wealth inequality gap is reduced significantly over the course of this parliament.



sunday 16th may continued

Amendment Four

Liberal Youth

Mover: To be announced

1 *At end, add:*

2 Conference notes that many Liberal Democrat MPs signed the NUS 'vote for students' pledge
3 against any real-terms rise in the tuition fee cap. Conference calls upon Liberal Democrat ministers
4 and MPs to ensure that on any decision made on Lord Browne's report on higher education
5 funding, they above all else take into account the impact on student debt. Conference affirms the
6 Liberal Democrat objective of scrapping tuition fees.

Amendment Five

10 conference representatives

Mover: David Matthewman

1 *At end, add:*

2 Conference urges Liberal Democrat ministers and MPs to take all possible steps to ensure the
3 repeal of those sections of the Digital Economy Act 2010 which are inconsistent with policy motion
4 *Freedom, Creativity and the Internet* passed at the Liberal Democrat spring conference 2010.

Amendment Six

10 conference representatives

Mover: Jo Shaw

1 *At end, add:*

2 Conference also calls on Liberal Democrat ministers and MPs, in line with the Liberal Democrat
3 manifesto commitment to protect the Human Rights Act 1998, to oppose moves by any party or
4 individual towards repeal of this act.

Amendment Seven

DELGA

Mover: Dave Page

1 *At end, add:*

2 Conference reaffirms the party's long-standing and unparalleled commitment to matters relating to
3 lesbian, gay, bisexual and trans equality.



sunday 16th may continued

Amendment Eight

Harlow

Mover: David Wright

1 *At end, add:*

2 Conference calls on Liberal Democrat ministers and MPs to seek to include proportional
3 representation for local government elections in England and Wales as part of the political reform
4 programme of the coalition government.

Amendment Nine

Newbury

Mover: David Rendel

1 *At end, add:*

2 Conference regrets that it proved impossible to agree the introduction of a system of proportional
3 representation for elections to the House of Commons, and reaffirms the party's long-standing
4 commitment to the introduction of such a system.

