

autumn conference

conference daily

wednesday 22nd september 2010



Information from the Conference Committee for Wednesday 22nd September, final timings for conference sessions and report back on the business of Tuesday 21st September. Please read in conjunction with the *Conference Agenda*.

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Timetable for Wednesday 22nd september

Wednesday 22nd September morning

09.00–09.45	F44	Emergency Motion	Trident	4
09.45–11.15	F45	Party Business	Diversity	4
11.15–11.35	F46	Speech	Lynne Featherstone MP	
11.35–12.20	F47	Q&A Session	Crime and Justice Issues	
12.20–12.40	F48	Speech	Vince Cable MP	
12.40		Deadline for submitting questions for the Q&A session with Lib Dem Cabinet Ministers, F50		

Wednesday 22nd September afternoon

14.30–14.50	F49	Speech	Don Foster MP	
14.50–15.35	F50	Q&A Session	Liberal Democrat Cabinet Ministers	7
15.35–15.45	F51	Formal Close of the Federal Conference by Baroness Scott of Needham Market		

Please note that timings are approximate only. Some items of business may occur earlier than indicated.

Conference representatives wishing to speak in any of the debates are requested to fill in and submit a speaker's card as soon as possible.

Conference Daily and other conference documents are available in large print and as pdf files – see www.libdems.org.uk/autumnconferencepapers or ask at the Information Desk on the lower ground floor of the ACC.

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report back for tuesday 21st september

F32 Policy Motion	Localism	Passed (Amendment One passed)
F34 Policy Motion	Ensuring Fairness in a Time of Austerity	Passed (Amendment One, Two and Three passed, lines 38–41 retained)
F35 Policy Motion	Equal Marriage in United Kingdom	Passed (Amendment One passed)
F39a Emergency Motion	Pakistan Floods	Passed
F41 Reports	Parliamentary Parties of the Liberal Democrats	Received
F42 Constitutional Am.	Election of Local Authority Councillors to Federal Committees	Defeated
F43 Constitutional Am.	Substitution for the Leader on the Federal Policy Committee	Defeated

For report back on the business of Wednesday 22nd September, see www.libdems.org.uk/conference.

FRINGE UPDATE

wednesday 22nd september
lunchtime 13.00 – 14.00

GMB

The Future of the LGPS and other Public Sector Pensions

Should public sector workers have final salary pensions or are the pensions too generous? Speakers: Steve Webb MP, Pensions Minister; Jan Parkinson, Local Government Employers; Joanne Segars, NAPF; Brian Strutton, GMB. Lunch provided.

ACC, Hall 14



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Recovery Group UK

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your views are important to us!

Conference feedback questionnaires will no longer be available in hard copy.

Instead, following conference, representatives will be emailed a link to an online questionnaire.

Please take the time to complete the questionnaire as your answers provide important information that helps us to improve conference.

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09.00 Emergency Motion

F44 Emergency Motion: Trident

Winchester & Chandler's Ford and 30 conference representatives

Mover: Julian Huppert MP

Summation: David Grace

1 Conference notes that:

- 2 i) In July the Chancellor announced that the Ministry of Defence will have to fund the £20–£30bn
3 capital costs of a 'like-for-like' replacement for Trident.
4 ii) The Defence Secretary has warned that this means severe restrictions in the way Britain
5 operates militarily.
6 iii) The exclusion of Trident from the Strategic Defence and Security Review (SDSR) is now
7 untenable; it should be included and receive the scrutiny which strategic, political and financial
8 circumstances demand.

9 Conference calls on the Liberal Democrat ministers to:

- 10 1. Press for the extension of the SDSR to allow a full review of the alternatives to 'like-for-like'
11 replacement of Trident.
12 2. Ensure the SDSR considers cost-saving options such as ending continuous at-sea patrols
13 and extending the life of Vanguard submarines.
14 3. Ensure the SDSR makes explicit the opportunity cost of Trident replacement – in terms of cuts
15 to troop numbers and equipment programmes.

Applicability: Federal.

Background briefing

This motion updates Liberal Democrat policy on Trident and the Strategic Defence and Security Review.

Existing policy is set out in the General Election manifesto *Change that Works for You* (2010), policy paper 94, *A Fresh Start for Britain* (2009), and conference motion *The Future of Britain's Nuclear Deterrent* (2007).

09.45 Party Business

F45 Diversity

Federal Conference Committee has agreed to accept the following drafting changes into the text of the motion:

1 *After V (line 25), insert:*

- 2 VI A major impediment to diversity is a lack of potential applicants coming forward for approval
3 as candidates.

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Amendment One

Hammersmith & Fulham

Mover: Dinti Batstone

Summation: Jo Swinson MP

1 *In 2 b) (line 45) after 'politics.', insert: 'The review shall be submitted to the President and Leader*
2 *no later than 1st December 2010 for consideration in the context of proposals for a reformed*
3 *second chamber.'*

4 *After 2 b) (line 45), insert:*

5 c) Among other issues, the review will consider the viability of parliamentary job-shares and
6 other forms of flexible working which have successfully increased the participation, retention
7 and promotion of women in many private and public sector workplaces.

Amendment Two

13 conference representatives

Mover: Elaine Bagshaw

Summation: Martin Shapland

1 *Delete 3 (lines 46–54).*

2 *In 4 a) (lines 57–59) delete: 'set targets for BAME representation in line with national and regional*
3 *Office of National Statistics data; and decide on outcomes within agreed timescales.'*

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GMB Public Services Fringe Meeting
Wednesday 22 September, 13.00-14.00
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THE FUTURE OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT PENSIONS SCHEME & OTHER PUBLIC SECTOR PENSIONS

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- 4 *Delete 4 b) and 4 c) (lines 60–63)*
- 5 *After 4 a) (line 59), insert:*
- 6 b) Commit to the urgent enhancement at all levels of the party of existing measures (including
7 the required, dedicated staff time, and senior staff responsibility) to ensure that:
- 8 i) BAME party members are identified, encouraged, trained and supported in being
9 approved, seeking and gaining selection in all types of seats, and winning and defending
10 seats on representative bodies.
- 11 ii) Approval panels and selection committees receive any guidance and training they need
12 to ensure fairness.
- 13 5. Targets to be set and publicised for State and (in England) Regional Parties to dramatically
14 increase the number of BAME on the list of approved candidates, with a target of 100 extra
15 BAME candidates on the list of approved candidates to be achieved by Autumn 2012.

There will be separate votes on the words 'and council' in 3 a) (line 48), and on 4 c) (lines 62–63).

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conference timetable 2011

11th – 13th March 2011 Sheffield

Drafting advice deadline (motions)	13.00 Tuesday 4th January 2011
Motions deadline	13.00 Wednesday 12th January 2011
Drafting advice deadline (amendments, emergency motions)	13.00 Tuesday 22nd February 2011
Deadline for amendments to motions, emergency motions, topical issues, questions to reports	13.00 Tuesday 8th March 2011

17th – 21st September 2011 Birmingham

Drafting advice deadline (motions)	13.00 Wednesday 15th June 2011
Motions deadline	13.00 Wednesday 29th June 2011
Drafting advice deadline (amendments, emergency motions)	13.00 Monday 22nd August 2011
Deadline for amendments to motions, emergency motions, topical issues, questions to reports	13.00 Monday 5th September 2011

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14.50 Party Business

F50 Question and Answer Session with Liberal Democrat Cabinet Ministers

The panel will also include:

- Rt Hon Danny Alexander MP Chief Secretary to the Treasury

The deadline for conference representatives to submit concise questions (maximum 25 words) on a form collected from and submitted to the Speakers' Table is 12.40 on Wednesday 22nd September.

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Sheffield, 11th to 13th March.

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