

# Spring Conference

## Conference Daily

Sunday 9th March 2014

Information from the Federal Conference Committee, timings for conference sessions, amendments, emergency motions and questions to reports; report back for Saturday 8th March and detailed information for Sunday 9th March. Please read in conjunction with the Conference Agenda and Directory and Saturday's Conference Daily.

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### Timetable for Sunday 9th March

*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.*

09.00–09.45	F17	Topical issue discussion: Crisis in Ukraine	3
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11.45–13.00 (approx.)	F20	Speech: Rt Hon Nick Clegg MP	

*If no page number is indicated next to a session or item of business, there are no changes or additional information to that in the Conference Agenda and Directory.*

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# Report back for Saturday 8th March

F1	Report: Federal Conference Committee	Approved
F2	Report: Federal Policy Committee	Approved
F3	Policy motion: A Better, Fairer, More Sustainable Future for British Pubs	Passed
F4	Policy motion: Making Migration Work for Britain	Passed (Amendment One defeated; line 59 retained)
F5	Policy motion: Reform of Planning	Passed (Amendment One defeated)
F7	Reports: Parliamentary Parties	Received
F8	Report: Federal Executive	Approved
F9	Report: Federal Finance and Administration Committee	Approved
F10	Report: Diversity Engagement Group	Approved
F11	Report: Campaign for Gender Balance	Approved
F14	Policy motion: Power to the People	Passed (Amendment One defeated, Amendment Two passed, lines 55–56 retained)
F15	Policy motion: Food Poverty	Passed (Amendment One passed)
F16	Constitutional amendment: Conference Representatives	Passed

## Ministerial Q&A session

There will be a Ministerial Q&A session on *Health & Social Care* with Norman Lamb MP, taking place on **Sunday 9th March, 10.00–11.00** in the Lendal Room on the ground floor of the York Barbican.

Come along and ask questions of the Minister on the issues relating to their responsibilities and their department. A fantastic opportunity for members to find out more about what our Ministers are up to.

These sessions are open to all, but party members will be given priority. Hearing loop provided.

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# Sunday 9th March

## *Additions and updates to the Agenda for Sunday 9th March.*

### **F17 Topical issue discussion: Crisis in Ukraine**

Proposer: Robert Woodthorpe Brown (Chair, International Relations Committee)  
Response: Martin Horwood MP (Chair, Parliamentary Party Committee on International Affairs)  
Summation: Dr Julie Smith (Vice Chair, Federal Policy Committee)

### **F18 In Europe, In Work**

Chair: Geoff Payne (Vice Chair, Federal Conference Committee)

Summation: Baroness Ludford

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

- 1 *In 2. (line 50) delete 'the' and insert 'a'.*
- 2 *In 2. (line 57) after 'European Arrest' insert 'Warrant'.*
- 3 *In 5. (line 84) delete 'though' and insert 'through'.*
- 4 *In 7. (line 100) after 'with' insert 'the'.*
- 5 *In 8. (lines 109–112) delete all from 'proposal' to 'country' and insert 'Coalition proposals to support an*
- 6 *EU framework whereby EU migrants do not claim benefits before spending six months in the UK'.*

#### **Background briefing**

This motion highlights key Liberal Democrat policies for the European election campaign, based on existing policy as set out in policy paper 113, *Prosperous, Sustainable and Secure* (2013).

## **Dates for your diary**

### **Autumn Conference 2014: 4th–8th October, Glasgow**

Drafting advice deadline (motions)	13.00	Wednesday	2nd July 2014
Motions deadline	13.00	Wednesday	16th July 2014
Drafting advice deadline (amendments, emergency motions)	13.00	Monday	8th September 2014
Deadline for amendments to motions, emergency motions, topical issues, questions to reports	13.00	Monday	22nd September 2014

### **Spring Conference 2015: 13th–15th March, Liverpool**

# Sunday 9th March continued

## F19 A Digital Bill of Rights

The Federal Conference Committee has accepted the following drafting amendment to the motion:

- 1 Delete iv) (lines 14–16) and insert:
- 2 iv) That the internet has the power to liberate, to educate, to bring people closer together, and to boost
- 3 our economy; and that such potential will be undermined by government control, surveillance and
- 4 censorship.

There will be a separate vote on the words 'does not undertake the bulk collection of data and' in 3. b) (lines 72–73).

### Background briefing

This motion develops policy on legislation that would enshrine the digital rights of the citizen and make sure the intelligence and surveillance services are properly accountable to the people they serve.

It builds on existing policy on privacy and surveillance set out in conference motion *Human Rights* (2012).

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