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## Liberal Democrat Party Conference

#### SUNDAY 20 SEPTEMBER

#### 13.00-14.00 Wessex Hotel / Wessex Suite

#### Good Company: Can social enterprise build a more sustainable and ethical economy?

Danny Alexander MP; Claire Dove, Social Enterprise Coalition; Philip Collins, The Times (Chair)

#### 18.15-19.30 Connaught Hotel / Priory 1

#### Lean Government: How to make cuts without wounding low earners

Jeremy Browne MP; Clive Cowdery, Resolution Foundation; Jamie Bartlett, Demos; Jenni Russell, The Guardian (Chair)

#### 18.15–19.30 De Vere Royal Bath Hotel / Bay View

#### Will a youth civic service fix Britain's teenagers?

Lynne Featherstone MP; Shaks Ghosh, Private Equity Foundation; Sonia Sodha, Demos; Deborah Orr, The Independent (Chair – TBC)

#### MONDAY 21 SEPTEMBER

13.00–14.00 Wessex Hotel / Bryanston Suite

#### Putting the Us in Business: What role can empowered employees play in the new economy?

Julia Goldsworthy MP; Stefan Stern, Financial Times; Margaret Elliott, Director, Sunderland Home Care Associates; Roger Barker, Institute of Directors; Philip Collins, The Times (Chair)

#### TUESDAY 22 SEPTEMBER

8.00–9.00 Royal Exeter Hotel / Tregonwell Suite

#### The Demos Power Debate

Vince Cable MP in conversation with Richard Reeves, Demos

#### 13.00–14.00 Premier Inn Bournemouth Central / Connect 1

#### Supernanny State: Can we teach good parenting?

Annette Brooke MP; Penelope Leach, author and parenting policy expert; Stephen Scott, National Academy of Parenting Practitioners; Emma-Jane Cross, Beatbullying; Philip Collins, The Times (Chair)



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## Labour Party Conference

#### SUNDAY 27 SEPTEMBER

#### 12.45-14.00 Old Ship Hotel / Regency Suite

#### **Open Left**

Tessa Jowell MP; David Lammy MP; James Purnell MP; Krishnan Guru-Murthy, Channel 4 News (Chair)

#### 17.45-19.00 Hilton Hotel / Osborne Room

#### The Demos Power Debate

James Purnell MP; David Willetts MP, Conservative Shadow Secretary of State for Innovation, Universities and Skills; Richard Reeves, Demos (Chair)

#### 18.00-19.30 Old Ship Hotel / Sussex Suite

### **Lessons from Abroad:** How far can we take personal budgets

Liam Byrne MP TBC; Anders Hultin, GEMS UK; Dan Finn, Portsmouth University; Jamie Bartlett, Demos; Charles Leadbeater, Innovation strategy expert and author of We-Think; Matthew Pike, ACEVO Personalisation Commission (Chair)

#### MONDAY 28 SEPTEMBER

#### 8.00-9.30 Old Ship Hotel / Fecamp Lounge

#### Making Welfare to Work work in the recession: A Demos and A4e roundtable

Jim Knight MP, Minister of State for Employment and Welfare Reform; Dan Finn, Portsmouth University; Paul Gregg, Bristol University; Richard Reeves, Demos (Chair)

#### 13.00—14.30 Holiday Inn / Lancing 1

#### Putting the Us in Business: What role can empowered employees play in the new economy?

Kitty Ussher MP; Sarah McCarthy Fry MP; Stefan Stern, The Financial Times; Patrick Lewis, John Lewis Partnership; Geoff Mulgan, The Young Foundation; Philip Collins, Demos (Chair)

#### 12.45-14.00 Old Ship Hotel / Fecamp Lounge

#### Good Company: Can social enterprise build a more sustainable and ethical economy?

Liam Byrne MP; Claire Dove, Social Enterprise Coalition; Larry Elliott, The Guardian (Chair)



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#### MONDAY 28 SEPTEMBER

#### 12.45-14.00 Holiday Inn / Glyndbourne 2

#### **Fair Enough?** Has Labour delivered on its equalities agenda?

David Lammy MP; Trevor Phillips, EHRC; Kate Wareing, Oxfam; Tim Montgomerie, ConservativeHome; Richard Reeves, Director, Demos (Chair)

#### TUESDAY 29 SEPTEMBER

#### 13.00-14.00 Hilton Hotel / Chartwell Suite

#### Supernanny State: Can we teach good parenting?

Dawn Primarolo MP; Stephen Scott, NAPP; Karyn McCluskey, Violence Reduction Unit, Strathclyde Police; Richard Reeves, Director, Demos (Chair)

#### 12.45-14.00 Old Ship Hotel / Fecamp Lounge

#### Will a youth civic service fix Britain's teenagers?

David Blunkett MP; David Lammy MP; Shaks Ghosh, Private Equity Foundation; Sonia Sodha, Demos; Deborah Orr, The Independent (Chair – TBC)

#### 12.45-14.00 Old Ship Hotel / Sussex Suite

#### Where next for British defence policy?

Bill Rammell MP; Tim Edmunds, Bristol University; Trevor Taylor, RUSI; Bob Keen, BAE Systems; James Blitz, The Financial Times (Chair)

#### 18.00-19.00 Grand Hotel / King's East Room

#### Making Welfare to Work work in the recession

Yvette Cooper MP; Simon Duffy, University of Birmingham; Mark Lovell, A4e; Richard Reeves, Demos; Philip Collins, Demos (Chair)

#### 17.45-19.00 Old Ship Hotel / Fecamp Lounge

#### How to balance the books without wounding low earners

David Blunkett MP; Liam Byrne MP; Clive Cowdery, Resolution Foundation; Jamie Bartlett, Demos; Jenni Russell, The Guardian (Chair)

#### WEDNESDAY 30 SEPTEMBER

#### 12.45-14.00 Old Ship Hotel / Fecamp Lounge

#### A Progressive Square Mile? The City, the crash and a fairer future

Stephen Timms MP; Gillian Tett, The Financial Times; Simon Walker, BVCA; Ruth Kelly MP (Chair)



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## **Conservative Party Conference**

#### MONDAY 5 OCTOBER

#### 12.30 Manchester Town Hall / Committee Room 2

Putting the Us in Business:

### What role can empowered employees play in the new economy?

John Penrose MP; Stefan Stern, The Financial Times; Patrick Lewis, John Lewis Partnership; Geoff Mulgan, Young Foundation; Miles Templeton, Institute of Directors: Philip Collins. The Times (Chair)

#### 12:30 Manchester Town Hall / Committee Room 11

#### The Demos Power Debate

Tessa Jowell MP, Minister for the Cabinet Office, the Olympics & London and Paymaster General; Jeremy Hunt MP, Shadow Culture Secretary; Richard Reeves, Demos (Chair)

#### 17:30 Manchester Town Hall / Committee Room 11

#### Moral Money: How can business do good overseas?

Greg Hands MP, Shadow Minister to the Treasury; Charles Abugre, Christian Aid; Anne Lindsay, CAFOD; Ann Grant, Standard Chartered Bank; Jesse Norman, PPC, Conservative Party (Chair)

#### 19:30 Manchester Town Hall / Committee Room 11

#### **The Demos Power Party**

with Special Guests

#### **TUESDAY 6 OCTOBER**

08:00 Manchester Town Hall / Committee Room 1

#### Written Off? How literacy affects opportunity

Baroness Sayeeda Warsi; Kate Wareing, Oxfam; Jonathan Douglas, National Literacy Trust; Tanya Byron, Psychologist; Camilla Cavendish, The Times (Chair)

17:30 Manchester Town Hall / Committee Room 11

#### Leading from the front: Taking the bureaucracy out of public services

Francis Maude MP; Hilary Wainwright, Red Pepper; Neal Lawson, Compass; Jonty Olliff-Cooper, Demos; Richard Reeves, Demos (Chair)

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#### WEDNESDAY 7 OCTOBER

#### 12:30 Manchester Central / Charter 1

#### Lean Government: How to make cuts without wounding low-earners

David Willetts MP; Jamie Bartlett, Demos; Clive Cowdery, Resolution Foundation; Jenni Russell, The Guardian (Chair)

#### 12:30 Midland Hotel / French Room

#### Fair or fair weather? Are the Tories serious about social justice?

Mark Harper MP; Trevor Phillips, Equality & Human Rights Commission; Tim Montgomerie, ConservativeHome; Kate Wareing, Oxfam; Richard Reeves, Demos (Chair)

#### 12:30 Manchester Town Hall / Committee Room 1

#### Good Company: Can social enterprise build a more sustainable & ethical economy?

Oliver Letwin MP; Claire Dove, Social Enterprise Coalition; Jonathan Guthrie, The Financial Times; Philip Collins, The Times (Chair);

#### 12:30 Manchester Town Hall / Conference Hall

#### Would a youth civic service fix Britain's teenagers?

Tim Loughton MP; Sonia Sodha, Demos; Shaks Ghosh, Private Equity Foundation; Camilla Cavendish, The Times (Chair)

#### 17:30 Manchester Town Hall / Conference Hall

#### Supernanny State: Can we teach good parenting?

Maria Miller MP; Anne Atkins, Broadcaster & Author; Stephen Scott, National Academy for Parenting Practitioners; Emma-Jane Cross, Beatbullying; Richard Reeves, Demos (Chair)

#### THURSDAY 8 OCTOBER

08:00 Manchester Town Hall / Committee Room 1

#### Lessons from Abroad: How far can we take personal budgets?

Theresa May MP; Dan Finn, University of Portsmouth; Jamie Bartlett, Demos; Anders Hultin, CEO of GEMS UK; Charles Leadbeater, author of *We-Think*; Matthew Pike, ACEVO Personalisation Commission (Chair)







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