



The Great Northern Stop Brexit Conference

Creating a Vision of a New Britain without Brexit

Saturday, 8 September 2018

Programme

11.00 Welcome and Opening Remarks

Richard Wilson, Chair, Leeds for Europe

11.10 What Is Wrong With Britain? – identifying the main drivers of the vote for Brexit

Will Hutton, Journalist, The Observer

11.40 The Northern Power Failure – how do we bridge the north-south divide?

CHAIR: Eloise Todd, CEO, Best for Britain

Alex Sobel, Labour MP, Leeds North West

Julie Ward, Labour MEP, North West England

Diana Wallis, former MEP & Vice President of the European Parliament; now Yorkshire Party

Paul Salveson, the Hannah Mitchell Foundation

12.30 Lunch Break

13.30 [Session A] The People's Vote: Doing It Properly – designing a genuinely democratic referendum

CHAIR: Michael Meadowcroft, former Liberal MP

Jessica Simor QC, Lawyer, Matrix Chambers

Professor AC Grayling, Philosopher & Author

Lord Paul Tyler, Liberal Democrat Spokesperson for Constitutional & Political Reform

13.30 [Session B] Detoxifying The Immigration Debate – can we transform public opinion & end the hate?

CHAIR: Charles Gibson, Best for Britain

Natalie Bennett, former Leader of the Green Party in England & Wales

Julie Ward, Labour MEP, North West England

Emmy van Deurzen, Chair, Voices for Europe

14.15 [Session A] Cutting Through: Reaching The “Left Behind” – messaging to win the People’s Vote

CHAIR: Kamran Hussain, Yorkshire & Humber LibDems Regional Chair & Brexit Spokesperson
Femi Oluwole, Campaigner, Our Future, Our Choice
Jude Kirton-Darling, Labour MEP, North East England
Mike Buckley, Director, Labour for a People’s Vote

14.15 [Session B] Unite To Win – how can the disparate Remain groups work effectively together when the referendum comes?

CHAIR: Richard Sadler, Chair, North Yorkshire for Europe
Richard Corbett, Labour MEP, Yorkshire & The Humber
Eloise Todd, CEO, Best for Britain
Mike Galsworthy, Campaigner; Founder, Scientists for EU

15.00 Coffee Break

15.15 In Limbo – the impact of Brexit on the UK’s non-British EU Citizens

Cosi Doerfel Hill, In Limbo Project

15.20 Remaking The Case For Europe – re-learning why the EU has been a force for good

CHAIR: Patrick Lohlein, Conservatives for a People’s Vote
Richard Corbett, Labour MEP, Yorkshire & The Humber
Jessica Simor QC, Lawyer, Matrix Chambers
Professor AC Grayling, Philosopher & Author
Madeleina Kay, Campaigner; Young European of the Year

16.00 Creating A Vision Of A New Britain Without Brexit – an action plan for fundamental change

CHAIR: Richard Wilson, Chair, Leeds for Europe
Lord Wallace of Saltaire, Liberal Democrat Lords Spokesperson for the Cabinet Office
Natalie Bennett, former Leader of the Green Party in England & Wales
Neil Carmichael, President, Conservatives for a People’s Vote; former MP for Stroud (2010-2017)
Tessa Milligan, Campaigner, Women for Europe & OFOC!

16.45 Healing Britain – can the schism in British society ever be repaired?

Femi Oluwole, Campaigner, OFOC!

17.00 Conference Close