

Constitutional Amendments 2017

These are the constitutional amendments submitted by CLPs and affiliates in 2017 which were noted by Conference 2017 and timetabled for debate and decision at the 2018.

CLP/affiliate	Chapter & Clause	Amendment	CAC Decision
Battersea Labour Party	<p>CHAPTER 1 <i>Clause VIII, Section 1.G</i></p> <p><i>The National Executive Committee – BAME rep</i></p> <p><i>Page 5</i></p>	<p>Remove all of sub clause 1.G and replace with:</p> <p>One member who self-defines as Black, Asian, Minority Ethnic (BAME) who shall be elected in a national one member one vote (OMOV) ballot of all BAME members. No elected member of the House of Commons, European Parliament, Scottish Parliament, Welsh Assembly or a member of the House of Lords shall be eligible to stand for this position.</p>	Rule in
Tower Hamlets North Warwickshire & Bedworth	<p>CHAPTER 1 <i>Clause VIII, Section 1.G</i></p> <p><i>The National Executive Committee – BAME Rep</i></p> <p><i>Page 5</i></p>	<p>Remove all of sub clause 1.G and replace with:</p> <p>One member who self-defines as Black, Asian, Minority Ethnic (BAME) who shall be elected in a national one member one vote (OMOV) ballot of all BAME members, plus one BAME member elected by trade union delegates to the BAME Labour Conference. No elected member of the House of Commons, European Parliament, Scottish Parliament, Welsh Assembly or a member of the House of Lords shall be eligible to stand for this position.</p>	Rule in
Aylesbury Walton	<p>CHAPTER 1 <i>Clause VIII, section 1 F</i></p>	<p>Remove all of sub clause 1.F and replace with:</p> <p>One young member of the party who is at the close of nominations under 25years old and who shall be elected in a national one member one vote (OMOV) ballot of all</p>	Rule in

	<i>The National Executive Committee – Youth Rep</i> <i>Page 5</i>	members of Young Labour as defined by Chapter 1.II.2.F, plus one young member who is at the close of nominations under 25 years old elected by trade union delegates to the Young Labour Conference.	
Garston and Halewood	CHAPTER 1 <i>Clause VIII, section 1 F</i> <i>The National Executive Committee – Youth Rep</i> <i>Page 5</i>	Remove all of sub clause 1 F and replace with: One young member of the Labour Party who is at the close of nominations under 27 years old will be elected in a national one member one vote (OMOV) ballot of all members of Young Labour as defined by Chapter 1.II.2.F, plus one young member who is at the close of nominations under 27 years old elected by trades union delegates to the Young Labour Conference.	Rule in
Carmarthen East & Dinefwr Ceredigion Swansea East	CHAPTER 1 <i>Clause VIII, Section 1 H and I</i> <i>Scottish and Welsh Leaders</i> <i>Page 5</i>	Remove all of sub clauses 1.H and I and replace with: H. One member of the Scottish Labour Party elected by the Scottish Labour Conference I. One member of the Welsh Labour Party, elected by the Welsh Labour Conference.	Rule in
Mid Worcestershire Rugby Truro and Falmouth Bexhill and Battle Broxtowe	CHAPTER 2 <i>Clause I, Section 4.B</i> <i>Conditions of Membership</i>	Remove: 'joins and/or supports a political organisation other than an official Labour group or other unit of the Party, or'	Rule in

	<i>Page 10</i>		
Tewkesbury	<p>CHAPTER 2 <i>Clause III, section 6</i></p> <p><i>Membership Subscription fees</i> <i>Page 13</i></p>	<p>Replace existing section 6 with:</p> <p>An NEC approved statement shall be produced setting out the basis on which membership fees shall be allocated, including from January 2017 a minimum cash allocation of 50% of each paid up member's subscription and a guaranteed minimum package of support for all CLPs.</p>	Rule in
Copeland	<p>CHAPTER 3 <i>Clause I, Section B and C</i></p> <p><i>Conference Delegates</i> <i>Page 14</i></p>	<p>At the end of section B add:</p> <p>Where there are an odd number of delegates appointed, or delegation sizes vary year on year, a CLP will be required to make 50% of their delegates female over a four year period. A CLP may only send a delegation which is composed of more than 50% males, if doing so would not take them outside this rule. If a CLP is unable to find sufficient female delegates to comply with this rule, they will not be allowed to make up their delegation with males but will forfeit places. In exceptional circumstances, where the CLP can demonstrate they have made every effort to seek sufficient female delegates, conference arrangements committee may agree to allow a single male delegate to attend in year five; in all other cases the period will be extended to future conferences until such time as the average is 50% female.</p> <p>At the end of section C add:</p> <p>CLPs will be expected to alternate between male and female youth delegates.</p>	Rule in
Islington North South Derbyshire	<p>CHAPTER 3 <i>Clause III, Section1</i></p> <p><i>Procedural Rules for Conference</i> <i>Page 15</i></p>	<p>Add additional Sub clause at the end of Section 1:</p> <p>G. The NEC draw up Standing Orders for Party Conference that will outline procedures for: the conference timetable, procedure in debate, motions, composite motions, emergency motions, withdrawal and remittance of motions, reference back, point of order, chair's ruling, suspension of Standing Orders, voting, including full procedures for card votes, ending debate and the role of the CAC. These Standing Orders will be presented to the first session of each Party Conference in a CAC report for agreement by the conference.</p>	Rule in

<p>Blackley and Broughton Burnley Filton and Bradley Stoke Newport West</p>	<p>CHAPTER 3 <i>Clause III, Section 2</i></p> <p><i>Constitutional Amendments</i></p> <p><i>Page 13</i></p>	<p>Add Additional Sub clause at the end of Section 2:</p> <p>I. All constitutional amendments submitted by affiliated organisations and CLPs that are accepted as in order shall be timetabled for debate at the first annual party conference following their submission</p>	<p>Rule in</p>
<p>Washington & Sunderland West Beverley & Holderness Blackpool North & Cleveleys Bognor Regis & Littlehampton Brent Central Brent North Calder Valley Chingford and Woodford Green Devizes Dwyfor Meirionnydd Enfield Southgate Harwich and North Essex Mid-Bedfordshire Shipley South East Cornwall</p>	<p>CHAPTER 4 <i>Clause II, Section 2. B.i</i></p> <p><i>Election of Leader and Deputy Leader – Nominations</i></p> <p><i>Page 18</i></p>	<p>Delete part of first sentence: 'by 15 per cent of the combined Commons members of the PLP and members of the EPLP'.</p> <p>Replace with 'by nominations from: a) 15 per cent of the combined Commons members of the PLP and members of the EPLP; or b) 15 per cent of the affiliated national trade unions; or c) 15 per cent of Constituency Labour Parties'</p>	<p>Rule in</p>

<p>South Northamptonshire Stevenage Stoke-on-Trent Central West Dorset Wolverhampton South West</p>			
<p>Edmonton</p>	<p>CHAPTER 4 <i>Clause II, Section 2. B.i</i> <i>Election of Leader and</i> <i>Deputy Leader –</i> <i>Nominations</i> <i>Page 18</i></p>	<p>At the end of the sentence '15 per cent of the combined Commons members of the PLP and members of the EPLP'.</p> <p>Add 'and Constituency Labour Parties'</p>	<p>Rule in</p>
<p>Wirral West</p>	<p>CHAPTER 4 <i>Clause II, Section 2. A</i> <i>Election of Deputy</i> <i>Leader</i> <i>Page 18</i></p>	<p>Remove 'Deputy Leader' and replace with '2 Deputy Leaders'.</p> <p>At the end of the sub clause add the sentence 'At least one Deputy Leader must be a woman'</p>	<p>Rule in</p>

<p>Hornsey & Wood Green</p>	<p>CHAPTER 4 <i>Clause II, Section 2. A</i> <i>Election of Deputy Leader</i> <i>Page 18</i></p>	<p>After sub clause 2. A add:</p> <p>At all times subsequent to the 2020 General Election, or earlier if a vacancy arises, at least one of the two positions of leader and deputy leader will be occupied by a woman. If the position of Deputy Leader is held by a man, and a leadership election is required for any reason, Leader and Deputy leader nominations and elections will be held simultaneously.</p> <p>The existing male deputy leader will only be eligible for re-election if the elected leader is a woman. He will be deemed to have resigned at the point of the declaration of the Leader election, unless the elected leader is a woman.</p> <p>At the end of 2.B I add:</p> <p>In the event of an election for deputy leader consequent on the requirement for at least one woman in the leadership, if at the close of the nomination period all candidates for Deputy Leader are male, nominations will be reopened with a threshold of 5% of the Commons members of the PLP. If after the close of such nomination period, there are no women nominations, nominations will reopen with self-nomination from members of the PLP.</p> <p>At the beginning of 2 C iii add:</p> <p>Votes will be counted first for Leader. If a man is declared elected, the first preference votes for any man in the Deputy Leadership election will be disregarded.</p> <p>The second preference votes of those male candidates will be redistributed immediately and considered in the first round of counting. If a woman is elected leader, all votes and candidates will be counted in the Deputy Leader election.</p>	<p>Rule in</p>
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Kingswood	<p>CHAPTER 4 Clause II, Section C. vi</p> <p>Voting- Registered Supporters</p> <p>Page 19</p>	<p>Remove the phrase ‘registered supporters’</p> <p>Remove all other references to registered supporters in rule book.</p>	Rule in
<p>Canterbury</p> <p>Leeds North West</p> <p>New Forest East</p> <p>Newark</p> <p>Southampton Test</p> <p>Stockton South</p>	<p>CHAPTER 4 <i>Clause II, Section 4</i></p> <p><i>Election of General Secretary</i></p> <p>Page 20</p>	<p>Delete section 4.A. and replace with:</p> <p>A. The General Secretary of the Party shall be elected in accordance with the provisions set out below for a term of up to 3 years, at the discretion of the NEC. The General Secretary shall be accountable to the NEC for the implementation of its decisions and the management of all Labour Party staff. The NEC shall have the power to terminate the employment of the General Secretary, provided that its decision is supported by an absolute majority of its members.</p>	Rule in

		<p>B. The first election under these rules shall be initiated no more than one year and eight months after this rule is introduced when the General Secretary at that time shall be entitled to apply and, if s/he does so, shall be entitled to be included as a candidate in the ballot. Thereafter, no later than 2 years and eight months after the previous election of the general secretary, and in the event of a casual vacancy or a decision to give notice of the termination of the appointment of the current general secretary, the NEC shall initiate the process for electing a general secretary.</p> <p>C. In order to ensure a wide choice of applicants, all NEC members may choose up to 4 applicants for interview, at least two of whom shall be women, and the eight candidates with the most support shall be interviewed. Following the interviews, all NEC members may support two candidates, one of whom must be a woman, of whom the top four shall go forward to a national one member one vote (OMOV) ballot of all members of the party to be conducted in line with guidelines issued by the NEC.</p> <p>D. The candidate with the most votes in that ballot shall be declared elected General Secretary at the subsequent Party conference and shall be an ex- officio member of Party conference. S/he shall devote her or his whole time to the work of the Party and shall not be eligible to act as a parliamentary candidate. Should a vacancy in the office occur, for whatever reason, between Party conferences, the NEC shall have full power to fill the vacancy on a temporary basis pending the outcome of a new election. And the NEC shall make necessary consequential amendments.</p>	
New Forest East	<p>CHAPTER 4 <i>Clause II, Section 4</i></p>	Amend Chapter 4, Clause II.4 to read:	Rule in

- A. The General Secretary of the Party shall be elected in accordance with the provisions set out below for a term of up to 5 years, at the discretion of the NEC. The General Secretary shall be accountable to the NEC for the implementation of its decisions and the management of all Labour Party staff. The NEC shall have the power to terminate the employment of the General Secretary, provided that its decision is supported by an absolute majority of its members.
- B. The first election under these rules shall be initiated no more than one year and eight months after this rule is introduced when the General Secretary at that time shall be entitled to apply and, if s/he does so, shall be entitled to be included as a candidate in the ballot. Thereafter, no later than 4 years and eight months after the previous election of the general secretary, and in the event of a casual vacancy or a decision to give notice of the termination of the appointment of the current general secretary, the NEC shall initiate the process for electing a general secretary.
- C. In order to ensure a wide choice of applicants, all NEC members may choose up to 4 applicants for interview, at least two of whom shall be women, and the eight candidates with the most support shall be interviewed. Following the interviews, all NEC members may support two candidates, one of whom must be a woman, of whom the top four shall go forward to a national one member one vote (OMOV) ballot of all members of the party to be conducted in line with guidelines issued by the NEC.
- D. The candidate with the most votes in that ballot shall be declared elected General Secretary at the subsequent Party conference and shall be an exofficio member of Party conference. S/he shall devote her or his whole time to the work of the Party and shall not be eligible to act as a parliamentary candidate. Should a vacancy in the office occur, for whatever reason, between Party conferences, the NEC shall have full power to fill the vacancy on a temporary basis pending the outcome of a new election.

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Swansea West	<p>CHAPTER 4 <i>Clause II, Section 8</i></p> <p><i>Election of Leader and Deputy Leader of Welsh Labour Party</i></p> <p><i>Page 20</i></p>	<p>Remove sub clause 8.A and replace with</p> <p>The Leader and Deputy Leader of Welsh Labour shall be elected by a one member one vote (OMOV) ballot of members in Wales conducted to procedures laid down by the Welsh Executive Committee.</p>	Rule in
Dartford	<p>CHAPTER 4 <i>Clause III, Section A.i.d</i></p> <p><i>Election of NEC – Local Governance</i></p> <p><i>Page 21</i></p>	<p>Replace first sentence with: Division IV (local governance) shall consist of four members from either the Association of Labour Councillors ('ALC'), directly elected mayors, or elected Police Commissioners, at least two of whom shall be women.□</p>	Rule in
Sefton Central	<p>CHAPTER 4 <i>Clause III, Section C.i. a,b and c</i></p> <p><i>Election of the NCC</i></p> <p><i>Page 22</i></p>	<p>In sub clauses C(i) a, b and c delete 'their delegations at Party conference on a card vote basis'</p> <p>Replace with: 'means of a one-member-one-vote postal ballot among all eligible individual members of the Party, conducted to guidelines laid down by the NEC'</p>	Rule in
Manchester Gorton	<p>CHAPTER 5 <i>Clause IV</i></p>	<p>Insert New Sub clause after sub clause 1, to read:</p> <p>The NEC's procedural rules and guidelines for the selection of candidates for Westminster parliament elections shall include provision for party branches and branches of affiliated organisations to both interview prospective candidates and make</p>	Rule in

	<p><i>Selection of Westminster Parliamentary Candidates</i></p> <p>Page 27</p>	<p>nominations to the long list. The drawing up of the final shortlist will give due cognisance to the weight of nominations each candidate receives.</p>	
<p>Portsmouth North Rochester & Strood</p>	<p>CHAPTER 5 <i>Clause IV, Section 5</i></p> <p><i>Selection of Westminster Parliamentary Candidates</i></p> <p>Page 28</p>	<p>Remove sub clause A and B and replace with</p> <p>A. If the sitting MP wishes to stand for re-election the standard procedures for the selection of a Prospective Parliamentary Candidate shall be set in motion not later than 42 months after the last time the said Member of Parliament was elected to Parliament at a general election and before any scheduled or "snap" general election. The said Member of Parliament shall have equal selection rights to other potential candidates save for those outlined in paragraph.</p> <p>B. The said Member of Parliament shall have the right to be included (irrespective of whether he/she has been nominated) on the shortlist of candidates from whom the selection of the Prospective Parliamentary Candidate shall be made.</p>	<p>Rule in</p>
<p>West Lancashire</p>	<p>CHAPTER 5 <i>Clause IV, Section 5</i></p> <p><i>Selection of Westminster Parliamentary Candidates</i></p> <p>Page 28</p>	<p>In Section 5 remove all references to 'trigger ballot' and replace with the phrase 'CLP re-selection ballot'</p> <p>Remove text from Section B and replace with:</p> <p>If the MP fails to win the trigger ballot, he/ she shall not be eligible for nomination for selection as the prospective parliamentary candidate, and s/he shall not be included in the shortlist of candidates from whom the selection shall be made.</p>	<p>Rule in</p>
<p>Labour International</p>	<p>CHAPTER 5 <i>Clause IV, Section 5</i></p> <p><i>Selection of Westminster Parliamentary Candidates</i></p>	<p>Remove sub clauses 5 and 6 and replace with:</p> <p>5. Following an election for a Parliamentary constituency the procedure for selection of Westminster Parliamentary Candidates shall be as follows:</p>	<p>Rule in</p>

	<p><i>Page 28</i></p>	<p>A. If the CLP is not represented in Parliament by a member of the PLP, a timetable for selecting the next Westminster Parliamentary Candidate shall commence no sooner than six weeks after the election and complete no later than 12 months after the election.</p> <p>B. If a CLP is represented in Parliament by a member of the PLP, then a timetable for selecting the next Westminster Parliamentary Candidate shall commence no sooner than 36 months and complete no later than 48 months after the election. The sitting Member of Parliament shall be automatically included on the shortlist of candidates, unless they request to retire or resign from the PLP.</p> <p>6. The CLP Shortlisting Committee shall draw up a shortlist of interested candidates to present to all members of the CLP who are eligible to vote in accordance with Clause I.1.A above.</p>	
<p>Worthing West Bristol West Hove</p>	<p>CHAPTER 5 <i>Clause IV, Section 5</i></p> <p><i>Selection of Westminster Parliamentary Candidates</i></p> <p><i>Page 28</i></p>	<p>Remove Section 5 and 6 and replace with:</p> <p>5. If a CLP is represented in Parliament by a member of the PLP, that MP shall indicate, no later than 30 months after the last general election, or by an earlier specified date if the NEC believes that there is a significant prospect of an early general election, whether or not s/he wishes to stand for re-election.</p> <p>6.</p> <p>A. If a sitting MP has not indicated by that date that s/he wishes to stand for re-election, if s/he has indicated s/he wishes to retire, or if there is no sitting Labour MP, the NEC shall agree a timetable for a selection process for that constituency, candidates shall be invited to express interest in the selection and a Shortlisting Committee shall be appointed in line with procedural guidance to be issued by the NEC.</p> <p>B. In line with that timetable, party units and affiliates may make nominations in accordance with NEC guidance, and in doing so may interview interested</p>	<p>Rule in</p>

		<p>candidates or not as they see fit. Any decision to invite some of the interested candidates to interview by party units must be made at a meeting to which all members of that unit have been invited, in accordance with party rules and with an explanation of the decisions that will be made at it.</p> <p>C. After the closing date for nominations, the Shortlisting Committee shall present to all members of the CLP who are eligible to vote (in accordance with Clause I.1.A above) a shortlist of nominated candidates. That shortlist must reflect the requirements of the NEC to ensure that candidates are representative of our society in accordance with Clause I.E.i above, and be subject to the requirement that any candidate who has received nominations from party branches representing over half of the CLP membership, or from more than half the affiliates and party units other than branches shall be included, subject to meeting eligibility criteria.</p> <p>7.</p> <p>A. If a sitting MP has indicated by that date that s/he wishes to stand for re-election, the NEC shall agree a timetable for a selection process for that constituency, candidates shall be invited to express interest in the selection and a Shortlisting Committee shall be appointed in line with procedural guidance to be issued by the NEC.</p> <p>B. In line with that timetable, party units and affiliates may make a single nomination each in accordance with NEC guidance, and in doing so may interview interested candidates or not as they see fit. Any decision to shortlist some of the interested candidates for consideration by party units for nomination must be made at a meeting to which all members of that unit have been invited, in accordance with party rules and with an explanation of the decisions that will be made at it. Whether party units make nominations following interviews or based on candidates' applications, the sitting MP must be considered alongside and on equal terms to other candidates. If party units choose not to invite other candidates, then the sitting MP shall not attend the nomination meeting.</p> <p>C. If the sitting MP receives both</p>	
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. nominations from party branches with a combined membership of more than two thirds of the CLP membership, and ii. nominations submitted by more than two thirds of the affiliates and party units other than branches submitting nominations, <p>then the sitting MP shall be automatically reselected.</p> <p>E. Where the sitting MP is not automatically reselected, the Shortlisting Committee shall present to all members of the CLP who are eligible to vote in accordance with Clause I.1.A above a shortlist of nominated candidates. That shortlist must reflect the requirements of the NEC to ensure that candidates are representative of our society in accordance with Clause I.E.i above, it must include the sitting MP and it must be subject to the requirement that any candidate who has received nominations either from party branches with a combined membership of more than one half of the CLP membership or from more than half of the affiliates and party units other than branches making nominations shall be included, subject to meeting eligibility criteria.</p> <p>F. If the said MP is not selected as the prospective parliamentary candidate s/he shall have the right of appeal to the NEC. The appeal can only be made on the grounds that the procedures laid down in the rules and the general provisions of the constitution, rules and standing orders have not been properly carried out. The NEC must receive the appeal by the date on which they consider endorsement of the parliamentary candidate for the constituency.</p>	
<p>Hastings & Rye Kensington Rayleigh & Wickford</p>	<p>CHAPTER 5 <i>Clause IV, Section 5</i></p> <p><i>Selection of Westminster Parliamentary Candidates</i></p> <p><i>Page 28</i></p>	<p>Remove Section 5 A and B and replace with:</p> <p>A. If the sitting MP wishes to stand for re-election the standard procedures for the selection of a Prospective Parliamentary Candidate shall be set in motion not later than 42 months after the last time the said Member of Parliament was elected to Parliament at a general election. If the nominations, by both party units and affiliates, are over 66% in favour of the sitting MP then the NEC has the authority to endorse the sitting MPs as the CLP's prospective parliamentary candidate [in those cases where a CLP does not have a branch structure (in other words, does not have the usual structure of party units), the NEC will provide appropriate guidance].</p>	<p>Rule in</p>

		B. The said Member of Parliament shall have the right to be included (irrespective of whether he/she has been nominated) on the shortlist of candidates from whom the selection of the Prospective Parliamentary Candidate shall be made.	
Richmond Park	<p>CHAPTER 5 <i>Clause IV, Section 7</i></p> <p><i>Selection of Westminster Parliamentary Candidates</i></p> <p><i>Page 28</i></p>	<p>At the start of Section 7 add:</p> <p>CLPs have the right to decide whether or not to field a candidate to contest a Westminster parliamentary seat. Such a vote, if moved from the floor and seconded, is to be taken at the beginning of a selection meeting. Should the vote be passed, the selection meeting is concluded. This decision would be endorsed by the NEC, such endorsements would not be reasonably with-held. Should the vote fall, the meeting proceeds to the selection of candidates.</p>	Rule in
Cheltenham	<p>CHAPTER 5 <i>Clause IV, Section 1</i></p> <p><i>Selection of Westminster Parliamentary Candidates</i></p> <p><i>Page 28</i></p>	<p>Remove Section 1 and replace with:</p> <p>Following a parliamentary election in constituencies that do not elect Labour MPs, all the relevant CLPs will choose and appoint a candidate for any future parliamentary election within six months of the date of the aforesaid parliamentary election. If the chosen candidate later withdraws for any reason, the CLP will choose and appoint another candidate within three months. These selections will be made according to the procedure described in paragraphs 5.IV.6-7 and clause 5.I.</p>	Rule in
Bracknell	<p>CHAPTER 6 <i>Clause 1, Section 2</i></p>	<p>Remove section 2 and replace with:</p> <p>When there has either been a decision to expel a member, or an automatic exclusion has been agreed, the body making that decision (NEC or NCC) will at the time of the</p>	Rule in

	<p><i>Readmission to the party following Auto-Exclusion</i></p> <p><i>Page 31</i></p>	<p>decision also specify a period of between one and five years which has to elapse before readmission will be considered. The member will be informed of the exclusion period and the reason for their exclusion. The CLP will also be similarly informed. An application for re-admission shall not normally be considered by the NEC until the specified minimum period has elapsed. When a person applies for re-admission to the Party following an expulsion by the NCC on whatever basis or by automatic exclusion under Chapter 2 4A above of the membership rules, the application shall be submitted to the NEC for consideration and decision. The decision of the NEC shall be binding on the individual concerned and on the CLP relevant to the application.</p>	
Stockport	<p>CHAPTER 11</p> <p><i>Clause V</i></p> <p><i>Rules for Young Labour</i></p> <p><i>Page 47</i></p>	<p>Add an additional sub clause 4, as follows:</p> <p>Young Labour shall have its own constitution and standing orders, to be determined by the Young Labour AGM.</p>	Rule in
City of Durham	<p>CHAPTER 12</p> <p><i>Clause I and IV</i></p> <p><i>Rules for Local Campaign Forums</i></p> <p><i>Page 52</i></p>	<p>In Chapter 12 remove all reference to ‘Local Campaign Forum’ and replace with ‘Local Government Committee’.</p> <p>Remove sub clauses 1-4 in Clause IV and replace with:</p> <p>1. The membership of the Local Government Committee shall consist 75% of delegates from the local CLP(s) and 25% from affiliates. At least 50% of delegates from each group shall be women.</p> <p>2. Additionally, CLP campaign co-ordinators shall be ex officio members of the LGC. Any sitting MP, AM, MSP, MEP, PCC and / or PPC may attend their LGC. Where a Co-operative Party council exists for the area concerned and they sponsor candidates in local elections they shall be entitled to appoint a member to the LGC.</p> <p>3. The LGC shall meet at least four times per year with representatives of the Labour group where one exists.</p>	Rule in