

DEMOCRATIC RIGHTS FOR PEOPLE LIVING ON ESTATES

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London Young Labour Notes:

1. The huge loss in social housing in London since the 1980s has led to a housing crisis and growing inequality.
2. While Right to Buy without replacement has been the biggest problem, often the demolition of council homes in 'regeneration' projects has exacerbated this further.
3. As London land value continues to skyrocket, residents often feel like developers are pushing them out.

London Young Labour Believes:

1. Sadiq Khan's new 'Draft Good Practice Guide To Estate Regeneration' (<https://www.london.gov.uk/sites/default/files/draftgoodpracticeestateregenerationguidede16v2.pdf>) aimed at tackling some of these problems is a welcome development, but lacks explicit democratic safeguards.
2. All residents on estates facing regeneration (no matter what their contractual position – e.g. long or short term council tenant, lease holder etc) should be balloted on any plans that involve the demolition of their homes.

London Young Labour Resolves:

1. To mandate the committee to support Estate residents facing demolition of their home who have not been balloted
2. To argue for the position that every regeneration project has to pass a ballot of all the residents that live on the estate under discussion.

STANDING AGAINST RACISM, XENOPHOBIA, ISLAMOPHOBIA AND ANTI-SEMITISM AND DEFENDING MIGRANTS' RIGHTS

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London Young Labour notes:

1. We have recently seen a rise in racist, xenophobic and anti-Semitic hate crime.
2. Migrants, both from the EU and from outside of it, are under threat from this Government's policies; from the potential of a hard Brexit, and from May's continued attacks on non-EU migrants, refugees and asylum seekers.
3. Muslim and Jewish women are disproportionately targeted in terms of Islamophobia and Anti-Semitism.

London Young Labour believes:

1. That socialism must be internationalist, and that migrant rights are human rights.
2. It is essential that we stand up for the rights of everyone in this country to practice their faith and be safe from hate.
3. That tackling hate requires an approach which addresses the intersections of race, gender and gender identity, faith, class, sexuality, disability and nationality.

London Young Labour resolves:

1. Lobby against a hard Brexit and work with the Labour Campaign for Free Movement to push for a continuation of freedom of movement.
2. Fight for the rights of refugees to enter the UK, and work with organisations such as London2Calais and Care4Calais to help with the immediate human impacts of the refugee crisis.
3. Campaign against the financial threshold for partners of British citizens to enter the UK on a spouse visa.
4. Raise awareness of the misogynistic nature of Islamophobia and Anti-Semitism; giving a platform and a voice to Muslim and Jewish women.
5. Work alongside groups opposing detentions and deportations, such as Shut Down Yarl's Wood.
6. Lobby for the UK to remain part of the Erasmus program.
7. Work with students and teachers unions to campaign against Prevent.
8. Work alongside the Jewish Labour Movement, Labour Muslims, Sikhs for Labour and other faith groups to address the systemic hate faced by those who identify into these groups, both within and outside of our movement.
9. Run training with Hope Not Hate on how to tackle bigotry and xenophobia in society.

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London Young Labour notes:

1. The current committee has four liberation officers; a women's officer, a disabled members officer, a BAME officer and an LGBT+ officer.
2. The LGBT officer is currently the sole representative of their caucus.
3. There has recently been a sharp rise in open and explicit transphobia within the Labour Party, alongside the rise in hate crime across wider society.

London Young Labour believes:

1. There is an important connection between all those who define under the LGBT+ umbrella, and we should never try and separate the caucus into smaller or more specific groups.
2. However, there are many issues that trans people face which cis LGB+ people do not.
3. Furthermore, trans representation throughout the party is greatly lacking.
4. Many organisations, such as the National Union of Students, have recently introduced or begun to introduce a trans officer, alongside an LGBT+ officer.

London Young Labour resolves:

1. That in addition to the current liberation officers, we should bring in a trans+ officer for the London Young Labour committee.
2. This officer should self define as trans+; this includes trans men and trans women, as well as those who are non-binary or people who are intersex and define under the trans+ umbrella.
3. This officer will be elected by an autonomous caucus of self defining trans+ members at the next AGM.
4. LGBT+ caucus will remain open to all people who define as LGBT+, and anyone who defines as LGBT+ will still be able to stand to be LGBT+ officer.

INTRODUCING BOROUGH-WIDE LICENCING FOR LANDLORDS AND LETTING AGENTS

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London Young Labour notes:

1. The Mayor, Sadiq Khan, recently introduced the UK's first 'Rogue Landlord and Agent Checker' which lists landlords and letting agents that have been convicted or had successful civil action taken against them for housing offences.
2. The London Borough of Newham was the first to introduce a borough-wide licencing scheme for all private sector landlords and is now responsible for 60% of all prosecutions of criminal landlords in London, more than any other borough. £3.1million in unpaid council tax has also been recovered during the five years the scheme has been in operation.
3. The Government delayed its decision on renewing Newham's licencing scheme because it wanted to move from a borough-wide to a selective licencing scheme which will exclude the Olympic Village area. This means there will be a gap of up to three months between the existing scheme and the new scheme which could put Newham private sector tenants (who make up almost half the local population) at risk from rogue landlords.
4. The London Borough of Haringey is currently consulting on introducing a borough-wide licencing scheme for all Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMOs) and a selective licencing scheme for all private rented properties in 29 defined areas of Haringey.
5. After claiming licencing schemes impose 'unnecessary additional costs' and refusing the London Borough of Redbridge's application for a borough-wide landlord licencing scheme, in October 2017 the Government launched a consultation on regulating the private rental market.
6. Housing charity Shelter's 'Licence to Rent' report makes the case for landlord and letting agency licencing and calls for more robust regulation (such as the schemes already in operation in Scotland and Wales) than the 'light-touch' online register of landlord the Government is currently proposing.

London Young Labour believes:

1. All Londoners have the right to safe and warm housing that is fit for human habitation.
2. London's private rental market is growing fast but legislation to regulate the sector has not kept pace.
3. Whilst many private sector landlords and letting agents are law-abiding, a minority are not and are able to take advantage of the current lack of overarching statutory regulation to exploit vulnerable tenants, such as so-called 'beds in sheds' which are believed to number up to 9,000 across 20 local authorities in London.

London Young Labour resolves:

1. To lobby Mayor Sadiq Khan to ask all London boroughs to introduce borough-wide schemes for landlord and letting agent licencing.
2. To lobby the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government, Sajid Javid, to amend Government proposals for regulation of the private rented sector in favour of

stronger regulation, mirroring the schemes already in operation in Scotland and Wales which have been backed by Shelter.

3. To encourage all London Young Labour members in Haringey and neighbouring boroughs to respond to Haringey's consultation on introducing landlord and letting agent licencing.

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

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2018 is the 70th year since the creation of the NHS.

It is the first time in its history that it is facing a real terms cut to its funding, following a disastrous reorganisation which has opened up the NHS to unprecedented privatisation.

Since 2010 the Tories have cut billions of pounds from the NHS which has undermined the safety and quality of services. Their ideological attack on the NHS has resulted in patients waiting longer in A&E, waiting longer to see their GP, waiting longer for operations.

Mental Health services for children and young people continue to be cut with many being sent miles from their homes for treatment. Despite promises on mental health spending the Tories have continued to cut services.

We call on Teresa May to put her money where her mouth is and honour the pledge she made to improving mental health services.

London Young Labour should call for:

1. The ringfencing of national funding for child and adolescent mental health services
2. An increase the number of CAHMS psychiatrists to meet increasing demand
3. Investment in early intervention and counselling services.

RESTORE CLAUSE 4

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This conference notes that this year marks the centenary of the adoption of Clause 4 by the Labour Party.

The old Clause 4 pledged to "secure for the workers by hand or by brain the full fruits of their industry" based upon "the common ownership of the means of production, distribution and exchange".

This was Labour's original commitment to put an end to capitalism and bring about the socialist transformation of society.

This conference notes that Clause 4 was removed by Tony Blair when he established New Labour. Under Blair, the party leadership championed the disastrous policies of PFI and privatisation.

With the demise of New Labour and the discrediting of privatisation, support for nationalisation has risen sharply. [In opinion polls](#), over 80% support the renationalisation of the utilities and railways. 50% even agree that we need to take over the banks.

The Labour Party has been transformed under Jeremy Corbyn's leadership. This conference therefore believes it is high time to bring back real socialist policies, as embodied in Clause 4. This conference calls for the restoration of Clause 4 as part of Labour's constitution at the earliest opportunity.

UNITY IS STRENGTH

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London Young Labour Notes:

1. That for most of our history the trade union movement has provided the vast majority of our voters, activists and leading figures.
2. That we currently find ourselves in the unprecedented position of a rapidly growing mass membership party but with a much-reduced base of workplace trade unionists.
3. Due to the nature of neoliberal political economy trade unions are under unprecedented attack by state and employers. This has left union membership among the under 30s at a mere 10 percent. Some precarious work places may even have more Labour party members than union members.
4. Despite these challenging conditions young workers with their unions have kept fighting for their rights and their dignity, such as BAFWU in McDonalds and BECTU in Ritzzy Picturehouse strikes, often with Young Labour members at the forefront.

London Young Labour Believes:

1. That party and unions are two wings of one indivisible labour movement.
2. The labour movement has one party, the Labour Party, and all unions should be affiliated to it.
3. It is in the best traditions of our party to join our union brothers and sisters in struggle, such as the GMB Young London campaign on revenge evictions and the RMT's ongoing struggle against DOO.
4. That with unprecedented coordination and solidarity, our party should work to support our members in becoming active in workplaces and unions.

London Young Labour Resolves:

1. To build a close and comradely relationship with SETUC and currently un-affiliated unions.
2. To use our mailing list and social media to highlight the industrial struggles of labour in the Capital.
3. For the Chair and TULO officer to have regular meetings with regional union youth sections and for young members sections to be invited to LYL committee meetings helping to integrate campaigns.
4. To map our membership by occupation and workplace and to share this data with the relevant trade unions.
5. To run, with union support, an industrial school for members to teach the basics of workplace activism, movement history and the political role of labour.
6. To host an alternative employment fair focused on companies that recognise trade unions run by union officers and Reps.

LABOUR STUDENTS MUST CHANGE

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London Young Labour Notes:

1. That every candidate standing for a full-time (FTO) role in Labour Students for the last three years (and therefore every officer elected) has stood on replacing the delegate conference with One Member, One Vote (OMOV) to elect the national committee.
2. That every FTO team thus far has failed to do this and 2018 is no exception with another delegate election to be held in March.

3. The recent unconstitutional actions of the Labour Students National Committee in choosing by 9 votes to 8 to hold elections at a delegate conference; a decision they do not have the constitutional authority to make
4. That this is a very important issue to London Labour Clubs. Both the current regional coordinator and their predecessor have been very critical of the national handling of the issue and in 2013 some London Clubs left the national organisation over the issue.
5. That while Labour Students continues without OMOV, the majority of its membership in London, many of them London Young Labour members, will remain disenfranchised from the elections of the national committee.
6. That London Labour Students and London Young Labour as sister organisations with a large crossover in membership and therefore have strong fraternal relations.

London Young Labour Believes:

1. That the excuses given by Labour Students for not being able to implement OMOV do not stand up to scrutiny. This a political problem not a technical one.
2. That Labour Students, while having many active and welcoming member clubs, is at a national level a secretive operation suppressing the will of its membership and any attempts to hold the office accountable by ordinary members, club chairs and even members of its national committee.

London Young Labour Resolves:

1. To reissue London Labour Students statement on this issue
2. To as a committee endorse candidates for the next Labour Student elections
3. To call for the Labour Students National Committee to reconvene and reconsider their decision to hold unconstitutional elections
4. To write to the national office of Labour Students and ask that they listen to the will of their membership, and fulfil the responsibilities of their role and the manifesto platforms they were elected on.

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London Young Labour Notes:

1. That Labour leaders, MPs, Mayors and Councillors are all selected by a direct vote of the membership. London Assembly Members are the most senior Labour Politicians in England that are not directly elected by Labour Party members in some form. List MSPs in Scotland, who serve a similar function to List Assembly Members, were selected by a direct ballot of members in Scotland ahead of the last Scottish Parliament elections.
2. That the Mayor of London is the single most powerful politician in London and one of the most powerful in the country. Despite this there is little formal accountability of the Mayor to; the Assembly, The Labour Party or even the public outside elections. Labour metro

mayors are also unique for Labour candidates personally elected by the public not to even face a trigger ballot after becoming an incumbent.

That LYL Policy passed in 2016 states:

1. "The existing trigger ballot process for reselection is an inherently aggressive mechanism for replacing Party representative, as it is a direct attack on an individual, rather than just a formal democratic process to find the most appropriate candidate. It is this trigger ballot mechanism which actually makes campaigns for deselection more likely, and if we had a system of mandatory reselection, as works very well for the selection of Labour councillor candidates, this would aid a more tolerant and democratic atmosphere in the Labour Party."
2. That there is no defined avenue for CLPs and London Regional conference to have input into policies put into the London Mayoral manifesto.

London Young Labour Believes:

1. That representing our Party is a privilege not a right. Labour politicians in their actions should reflect Party policy and the views of the membership and Trade Unions.
2. That reselection offers a great opportunity for members and their representatives to engage in comradely discussion and come up with new ideas and programs, allowing Labour to go into elections fresh even after long periods in office.
3. That Labour candidates should have a direct mandate from the members who work so hard to get them elected. Selection should be a result of convincing the membership of your record and principles, not working back rooms and committees.
4. That all list assembly members should be selected by a single London wide ballot in the same manner as the Mayor or Constituency NEC places. The result should then be gender balanced to ensure self-defining women do not end up at the bottom of the list.
5. That rank and file Members should be able to input into the manifesto that Mayoral and Assembly members run on, through submissions via CLPs and London Regional Conference and from Affiliated Trade Unions.

London Young Labour Resolves:

1. To Mandate the committee to write and submit a rule change to London Regional conference, calling for:
 - a. The democratic reselection process of Mayoral candidates and Assembly members.
 - b. A democratic process for all members to decide the candidates and ranking of list assembly members.
 - c. A clearly defined process whereby CLPs, London Regional Conference and Affiliated Trade Unions are able to have an input on the Manifesto for all regional Mayoral election
2. To mandate the committee to have the Youth Rep on the Regional Board to raise this issue and vote in favour of the above policy.
3. To vote in favour of such policy at London Regional conference as an organisation.
4. To Lobby the Regional Board, NEC and national Conference to implement this rule change.
5. To ask all Assembly members who LYL campaigns for to publicly support this change.

NO DOO IN LONDON

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London Young Labour notes:

1. Transport Secretary Chris Grayling has used the summer period to break the Tories' promise of rail electrification for the North of England, the Midlands and Wales – regions whose economies are significantly dependent upon improved, electrified rail links.
2. That further concerns are raised by the 15th August announcement that fares next year will rise by an inflation-busting 3.6%.
3. That this current dispute around 'Driver Only Operation' (DOO) is political in nature, and has continued longer than the Miners Strike of 1984-85.
4. That cuts to frontline staff on the railways have gone so deep that during the recent Parson's Green attack, there was just one member of frontline staff on hand.
5. That between 2011-16, 80% of the passenger train interface incidents have occurred on services with DOO in operation. That guards have played a vital role in the safe evacuation of trains in numerous incidents across the rail network.
6. That Southern Rail, South Western and Abellio Greater Anglia all operate out of the Capital and are treating their workers and passengers with DOO
7. The huge impact of the Mayors' #LondonIsOpen campaign and denouement of the Arms trade in London on public debate.

London Young Labour believes:

1. That Safety Critical train guards are essential to passenger safety. Alongside other frontline station staff, they are vital to having an accessible public transport system.
2. That the Tory government and Chris Grayling has refused to engage in constructive or meaningful communication with service users or railway employees with regards to the safety and accessibility of the service.
3. That this dispute is a politically-motivated attack on the trade union movement by the Conservative government.
4. That a future Labour government's transport policy will commit ourselves to renationalising the railways and all infrastructure, whilst also halting the introduction of DOO and halting the current schedule of ticket office closures.
5. That all Labour representatives should stand in solidarity with RMT guards in defence of their jobs, and against Southern Rail, Greater Anglia, Mersey Rail and Northern Rail.

London Young Labour resolves:

1. To campaign with the RMT against DOO online and on pickets
2. To oppose DOO in all Party forums
3. To mandate the committee to have the Youth Rep on the Regional Board to raise this issue and vote in favour of the above policy.
4. To Call on the Mayor, members of the London Assembly, and Labour MPs in London to condemn DOO and state unequivocally that Labour's new British Rail should #KeepTheGuardOnTheTrain

SEXUAL VIOLENCE AND THE ALLIANCE FOR WORKERS LIBERTY

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London Young Labour Notes:

1. The Alliance for Workers' Liberty (AWL) is a 'revolutionary socialist' Trotskyist political organisation operating within the Labour Party.(1) The organisation's members/supporters organise around the newspaper 'Solidarity'.

2. In January 2018, it emerged the AWL had covered up the sexual abuse of a child, who had been offered drinks by AWL members despite being under 18. The sexual assault was covered up by the AWL's student organiser, and the AWL member in question faced no disciplinary action or expulsion from the AWL.

3. The victim was subjected to a campaign of smears and harassment which included ableist remarks hurled at him on the street and slanderous complaints made to his employer.

4. A statement on the AWL website confirmed the allegations of the victim's statement, but deflected blame to 'online trolling'.

London Young Labour Believes:

1. Sexual violence is not confined to one tendency or political leaning, but certain structures and organising tactics - such as the AWL's secretive, top-down structures - are more likely to enable and mask abuse of all kinds.

2. Sexual violence pushes out women and other marginalised groups from our party.

3. As an organisation, LYL must also take into account that the survivor of this assault was underage. The AWL members had bought him drinks and got him drunk, which is an incredibly serious breach of safeguarding.

4. Sexual violence must not be tolerated within our organisation and neither must apologism for sexual abuse.

London Young Labour Resolves:

1. To make clear that the presence of AWL members/supporters at London Young Labour organising and social spaces is unacceptable and unwelcome until they carry out a formal, open transparent investigation. The processes of this investigation must be ones in which the survivor has confidence, and the processes and outcomes of the investigation must centre the needs of survivors of sexual violence.

2. To carry out research into our own processes and policies and make sure they adequately support survivors of sexual violence.

- (1) <http://www.workersliberty.org/story/2009/12/17/sean-matgamna-finding-my-way-trotskyism> and <http://www.workersliberty.org/story/2017-08-22/alliance-workers-liberty-who-we-are-what-we-do>

ONE MEMBER ONE VOTE (OMOV)

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London Young Labour Notes:

1. That the Leader of the Labour Party, the leader of Scottish Labour and the Mayor of London are all elected by OMOV.
2. That Young Labour elects most members of it's national committee and it's chair by online OMOV
3. That London after the rule change passed at London Regional Conference in November, CLP London Regional Board Members will now be elected by OMOV
4. That the move to OMOV was overwhelmingly supported by our affiliated Trade Unions in the above cases.
5. That policy mandating the Committee and Chair to ensure that the next (and all subsequent LYL elections) were via online OMOV was passed in 2013 and has not been acted upon.
6. That LYL AGM turn out is consistently below 10 percent of our membership and this represents a startling democratic deficit.

London Young Labour Believes:

1. That online OMOV elections are the best way to engage the largest section of membership in our democratic processes.

2. That the OMOV currently used to decide LYL elections can only ever engage a tiny section of our membership and encourages the culture of small cliques that typifies LYL.
3. That the above examples clearly show that there are no unsurmountable technical or practical problems to implementing online OMOV.
4. That implementing OMOV and increasing membership engagement in LYL elections would be significantly easier if LYL had access to its own membership data and that LYL already has policy demanding access to its membership data.

London Young Labour Resolves:

1. To mandate the Committee to raise online OMOV and access to membership data with the appropriate Party bodies at every available opportunity until confirmation of implementation of online OMOV and a clear, and agreeable, timeline is provided.
2. To mandate the 2018/19 committee to write and submit a rule change to London Regional Conference to be submitted at the Winter conference
3. To mandate the committee to have the Youth Rep on the Regional Board to raise this issue and vote in favour of the above change.
4. To vote in favour of such policy at London Regional conference as an organisation.
5. For progress on online OMOV and membership data to be an agenda item at every LYL committee meeting until The Party responds as outlined.

END ABUSE OF AND REFORM THE PARTY'S DISCIPLINARY SYSTEMS

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London Young Labour believes:

1. That since 2015 there has been extensive abuse of the party's membership and disciplinary systems for factional purposes, with numerous members expelled or suspended for long periods for at best dubious and at worst absurd and outrageous reasons. Some of these are new members, others have been active members for much longer.

2. That of course we have every right to discipline those who support other candidates against Labour in elections or who commit gross acts of racism, sexism, and so on. But that covers only a tiny number of the thousands expelled or suspended since 2015.

London Young Labour further believes:

1. That previous membership of other left-wing parties is no reason to deny someone Labour membership. We should welcome people who choose to leave the Greens, Left Unity, the NHS Action Party, etc. Nor should there be any problem with involvement in particular socialist organisations which support Labour.

2. That the party's disciplinary and membership systems require serious reform to make them transparent, consistent and accountable, so that these kind of problems can be avoided in future.

3. That all those denied an appeal when they were expelled or suspended (or promised an appeal but kept in limbo) should be given one, fast.

London Young Labour resolves:

1. To mandate the new committee to issue a statement based on this motion and discuss and come up with a plan of how we can campaign around it.

SCRAP NUCLEAR WEAPONS – CREATE USEFUL JOBS, DEFEND COMMUNITIES

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London Young Labour believes:

1. That maintaining weapons whose purpose is to threaten or cause massive numbers of civilian deaths is not a policy an internationalist, socialist Labour Party can support.
2. That we should campaign for the dismantling of Britain's nuclear weapons programs and work for the whole party to do the same.

London Young Labour further believes:

1. That the tens of billions the government wants to spend on replacing Trident should instead be spent on conversion programs to create larger numbers of high-skilled, socially useful jobs with improved terms and conditions, defending communities while allowing workers' skills to be used to benefit society and the planet.
2. That there are many precedents for such conversion plans: from rapid conversion to civilian production in the 1940s to workers' plans in the 1970s such as at Lucas Aerospace.

London Young Labour resolves:

1. To campaign for nuclear disarmament and for the whole party to do likewise, on the basis set out here.

PROTEST DONALD TRUMP'S VISIT TO LONDON

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London Young Labour believes:

1. It is an outrage that despite clear public opinion to the contrary, Theresa May is determined to press ahead with offering Donald Trump a state visit or similar in London in 2018.
2. Donald Trump has espoused openly racist views both before and throughout his presidency, including, to name only a few: failing to condemn neo-Nazis in Charlottesville, pursuing a racially charged conviction of the 'Central Park Five', attempting to implement an Islamophobic travel ban on predominantly Muslim countries on the basis of their ethnicity and religion, and numerous and grievous insults against the Mexican people, including branding Mexicans as 'rapists' at the launch of his campaign.
3. Trump has an equally long and disgraceful record of sexism, misogyny and boasting about predatory behaviour towards women, of which the *Access Hollywood* tape was the tip of the iceberg. From multiple allegations of sexual harassment and assault emerging during the 2016 election, to numerous, documented instances of misogyny, such as calling female journalists 'dogs' and boasting that 'when I come home and dinner's not ready, I go through the roof'. Trump was repeatedly and openly misogynistic on the campaign trail, from calling Megyn Kelly a 'bimbo' to advocating 'punishment' for abortions.
4. Trump's disgusting and demeaning 'impression' on the campaign trail of Serge Kovalski, who has a congenital joint condition, was an unacceptable act of ableism, which Trump has still failed to apologise for.
5. That Trump's presidency has been marked with extreme hostility to the LGBT community, from Trump's determination to attempt to ban transgender Americans from

the armed services, to supporting the homophone Roy Moore, to choosing Mike Pence, an opponent of marriage equality, as his running mate.

6. That Trump has also repeatedly attacked and insulted Britain and London, including retweeting propaganda from the fringe racist group Britain First and politicising the London terror attacks to pursue a petty feud with Sadiq Khan.
7. Donald Trump has repeatedly transgressed political norms in the United States, from repeated attacks on the free press to calling for his political opponent to be imprisoned.

London Young Labour resolves:

1. To mandate the committee to support and help to organise protests in London to oppose the Trump visit, save those organised by the SWP.
2. To put aside time, resources and organisation to help ensure that the protest against the Trump visit is one of the biggest London or the UK has ever seen.
3. To continue to oppose the racist, misogynistic, Islamophobic, anti-Semitic, homophobic, transphobic, ableist, and anti-democratic views Trump espouses.

ORGANISE YOUNG WORKERS - ACTIVELY SUPPORT STRIKES!

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London Young Labour notes:

1. The Picturehouse and McDonald's disputes which involve mainly young, low-paid workers on insecure contracts.
2. The September 2017 strikes at McDonald's branches in Cambridge and Crayford for £10 an hour, secure contracts with guaranteed hours, and union recognition, as well as grievances over bullying from management.
3. This industrial action has already won pay rises for all McDonald's workers and it will continue until their demands are met..
4. That Picturehouse cinema workers are striking for the Living Wage, decent maternity and sick pay, and union recognition, as well as the reinstatement of four sacked union reps.

London Young Labour believes:

1. Millions of young people in London have low paid jobs and zero hours contracts.
2. Joining a union, organising at work and going on strike is the most effective way to fight against inequality and for better pay and working conditions.
3. For these struggles to be effective, we must repeal all anti-trade union laws, including those introduced in the 1970s and 1980s, which make it harder for us to strike and picket effectively.
4. The National Living Wage should be replaced with a universal living wage of £10 per hour. This starts with supporting and spreading young workers' struggles now.

London Young Labour resolves:

1. To actively support workers in struggle, including publicising and mobilising for the Picturehouse and McDonald's strikes, mobilising for members to attend picket lines,

demonstrations and to support the strike fund. Organise fundraising events to raise money for strike funds.

2. To launch a campaign to unionise and organise young workers as part of a campaign for a £10 per hour minimum wage and to ban zero hour contracts.
3. To organise training events led by young workers involved in workplace struggles, to train young members how to organise at work to fight for better pay and better conditions.
4. To work with trade unions to fight for the right to strike and picket effectively, including for political reasons and in solidarity with other workers.

BUILD LOCAL YOUNG LABOUR GROUPS

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London Young Labour Notes:

1. That local Young Labour groups, at a CLP or borough level, are beginning to become more widespread; but there is a long way to go.

London Young Labour Believes:

1. That such groups are absolutely crucial to building a living, vibrant Young Labour movement which draws in a much wider range of young people.

2. That history suggests that an active campaign by the party to build such groups would have a great effect: in the early 1960s the party went from having virtually no local Young Labour groups to more than one youth group per constituency in about a year.

3. That there is a vast amount of youth support for Labour, but it is at the moment largely unorganised. We have a huge opportunity to do the same again

London Young Labour Resolves:

1. To campaign actively for the building of local Young Labour groups as centres of organising, campaigning and political discussion and education which are welcoming and accessible for large numbers of young people.

2. To convene a special London-wide event to discuss and promote the building of local groups.

3. To lobby Young Labour and the party to begin a national push to build such groups, and Jeremy Corbyn and other party leaders to use their voice and platform to explicitly promote this.

SOLIDARITY WITH PROTESTS IN IRAN

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London Young Labour notes:

1. The movement of protest in Iran which began in late December 2017, demanding basic freedoms, the release of political prisoners, lower prices and workers' rights.
2. The violent repression that these protests suffered, including against student protestors.
3. That at least 90 left-wing student activists were jailed in January 2018 alone, and some of the 23 definitely killed at the time of writing were also young people.
4. That regime security forces surrounded and in some cases invaded university campuses. Other students were taken from their homes and dorms.

London Young Labour believes:

1. Student activists have raised slogans against all factions of the regime, for democracy, and for student-worker unity. We support their demands.
2. We also demand the immediate release of arrested student, labour movement and other political activists.
3. We stand in solidarity with those in Iran fighting for better living standards, for the right of workers and others to organise, for the release of political prisoners, for women's rights, for a democratic republic and free elections. We oppose Western military threats and economic sanctions.

London Young Labour resolves:

1. To make links with and build solidarity with the Iranian student and labour movement and left activists fighting for these goals.
2. To call on representatives of the party not to appear on Press TV, which is the English-language propaganda-outlet of the regime.