

Policy Exchange at the 2017 **Conservative Party Conference**

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SUNDAY 1ST OCTOBER



The Power of English: Exporting the English language and strengthening Britain's global position

Chair: John Blake, Policy Exchange

Speakers: Rt Hon Justine Greening MP, Secretary of State for

Education (invited), Jo Johnson MP, Minister for Education Exports (invited),

Dr Christopher McCormick, EF Education First,

Sarah Cooper, English UK,

Rt Hon. Lord David Willetts, Resolution Foundation (invited) 17:00-18:00 | Cobden Suites 3&4, Manchester Central, M2 3GX

MONDAY 2ND OCTOBER



How to Clean Up Road Transport?

Chair: Matthew Rooney, Policy Exchange Speakers: Jesse Norman MP. Minister for Roads and Local Transport, Hugo Spowers, RiverSimple,

Mike Copson, Shell Global Solutions, Konstanze Scharring, SMMT (invited)

09:30-10:30 | Cobden Suites 3&4, Manchester Central, M2 3GX



The Changing Nature of Terrorism and our Responses

Chair: Dean Godson, Policy Exchange Speakers: The Rt Hon Ben Wallace MP Minister of State for Security, Mak Chishty, Former Commander, Metropolitan Police, Lord Carlile of Berriew QC, Former Independent Reviewer of Terrorism Legislation, Julian Enoizi, Pool Re, Sara Khan, Inspire, Author of "The Battle for British Islam" 11:00-12:00 | Cobden Suites 3&4, Manchester Central, M2 3GX



Catching Up: What can and can't be achieved by a local Industrial Strategy?

Chair: Jonathan Dupont, Policy Exchange Speakers: High Profile Parliamentarian, Campbell Robb, Joseph Rowntree Foundation, Vicky Pryce, Centre for Economics and Business Research, Christian Spence, Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce 11:00-12:00 | Lecture Room, Manchester Art Gallery, M2 3JL



A Nuclear Reactor in Every Town?

Chair: Matthew Rooney, Policy Exchange Speakers: Rt Hon Greg Clark MP, Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (invited), Tom Greatrex, Nuclear Industry Association, David Orr, Rolls Royce Nuclear



12:30-13:30 | Cobden Suites 3&4, Manchester Central, M2 3GX

Putting Power in the Northern Powerhouse

Chair: Warwick Lightfoot, Policy Exchange Speakers: Rt Hon George Osborne, Chair, Northern Powerhouse Partnership (invited), Jake Berry MP, Minister for the Northern Powerhouse (invited), Dorothy Thompson, Drax Group, Steve Scrimshaw, Siemens UK 14:00-15:00 | Cobden Suites 3&4, Manchester Central, M2 3GX





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Connecting Places: How can transport investment boost regional growth?

Chair: Jonathan Dupont, Policy Exchange Speakers: High Profile Parliamentarians. Michelle Hubert, CBI (invited), David Horne, Virgin Trains East Coast, Naomi Clavton. Centre for Cities





Time to Disrupt? An Industrial Strategy for the Digital Economy

Chair: Warwick Lightfoot, Policy Exchange Speakers: Rt Hon Matt Hancock MP. Minister of State for Digital Policy,

Eileen Burbidge, Special Envoy for Fintech (invited),

Andrew Brem, Aviva

15:30-16:30 | Cobden Suites 3&4, Manchester Central, M2 3GX

Teaching the Teachers: Putting talent management into the schools system

Chair: John Blake, Policy Exchange Speakers: Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP, Minister of State for School Standards, Mark Dawe.

Association of Employment and Learning Providers,

Ben Laker, Oceanova,

Professor Geraint Jones, Buckingham University,

Jo Saxton, Turner Schools

17:00-18:00 | Cobden Suites 3&4, Manchester Central, M2 3GX

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TUESDAY 3RD OCTOBER



The Triumph of the Cities? How can metro mayors unlock the potential of Britain's cities?

Chair: Jonathan Dupont, Policy Exchange Speakers: Andy Street, West Midlands Mayor (invited). Jake Berry MP, Minister for Local Growth (invited), Chris Hearld, KPMG

09:30-10:30 | Cobden Suites 3&4, Manchester Central, M2 3GX



Energising the Industrial Strategy

Chair: Joshua Burke, Policy Exchange Speakers: Richard Harrington MP. Minister for Energy and Industry, Lawrence Slade, EnergyUK, Clare Harbord, Director of Corporate Affairs, Drax Group, Nicola Shaw CBE, Executive Director, National Grid 11:00-12:00 | Cobden Suites 3&4, Manchester Central, M2 3GX



Farming Tomorrow: What should agriculture look like post-Brexit?

Chair: Rebecca Lowe, Policy Exchange Speakers: Viscount Ridley, Science writer (invited), Michael Haverty, The Andersons Centre (invited), Wilfred Emmanuel-Jones, Farmer and businessman (invited) 12:30-13:30 | Cobden Suites 3&4, Manchester Central, M2 3GX





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Public Libraries: Can community-run libraries succeed

Chair: Warwick Lightfoot, Policy Exchange Speakers: John Glen MP, Libraries Minister (invited), Vidyha Alakeson, Power To Change, Cllr Colin Noble, Leader of Suffolk County Council 12:30-13:30 | Lecture Room, Manchester Art Gallery, M2 3JL



Is the Intellectual Momentum all with the Left?

Chair: Dean Godson, Policy Exchange Speakers: George Freeman MP Sir Roger Scruton, Writer and Philosopher,

Rt Hon Nicky Morgan MP, Chair, Treasury Select Committee, Owen Jones, Journalist and Author,

Jacob Rees-Mogg MP

14:00-15:00 | Cobden Suites 3&4, Manchester Central, M2 3GX



Taking Back Control: Are we ready for a consumer energy revolution

Chair: Joshua Burke, Policy Exchange Speakers: High Profile Parliamentarian Jillian Ambrose, Daily Telegraph, Michael Lewis, E.ON, Victoria MacGregor, Citizens Advice 14:00-15:00 | Lecture Room, Manchester Art Gallery, M2 3JL



Scaling-up Britain: Why doesn't the UK have its own Apple or Google?

Chair: Warwick Lightfoot, Policy Exchange Speakers: Rt Hon Greg Clark MP, Secretary of State for Business Energy and Industrial Strategy (invited), Francis Martin, British Chambers of Commerce, Xavier Rolet, London Stock Exchange Group,



Why Can't we Build the Homes we Need?

15:30-16:30 | Cobden Suites 3&4, Manchester Central, M2 3GX

Chair: Ric Blakeway, Policy Exchange

Chris Hulatt, Octopus Investments

Speakers: High Profile Parliamentarian.

Sir Edward Lister, Chairman of the Homes and Communities Agency,

Tim Montgomerie, UnHerd.com (invited),

Adam Challis, JLL

15:30-16:30 | Lecture Room, Manchester Art Gallery, M2 3JL



A Joined Up Strategy for Global Britain: Making sure Brexit, trade, and industrial policy work together

Chair: Dean Godson, Policy Exchange Speakers: Rt Hon Greg Hands MP, Minister of State for Trade and Investment, Allie Renison, Institute of Directors, Richard Hird, De La Rue

17:00-18:00 | Cobden Suites 3&4, Manchester Central, M2 3GX



A Speech by Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP: "Through Testing Times: a review of the educational reform project and its future"

Chair: Toby Young

Speakers: Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP, Minister of State for School Standards, Rod Bristow, Pearson UK

18:30-19:30 | Cobden Suites 3&4, Manchester Central, M2 3GX

