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LIBERTY: INDEPENDENCE: DEMOCRACY: ECOLOGY

NATIONAL LIBERALS believe that individual liberty and the right to organise social change is essential for human progress – but we believe a Liberal society can only be attained by people sharing an inclusive culture within the framework of an independent national state.

NATIONAL LIBERALS believe that national sentiment is intrinsic to mankind and that an independent nation state is a natural building block of human society. As ‘nationalists’ we believe in the right to self-determination for all nations and reject imperialism.

NATIONAL LIBERALS believe that the principal enemy of liberty is Big Brother Governments who are ever ready to abuse their power for selfish ends or lead us to war. They enslave the people in ‘the name of the people’.

NATIONAL LIBERALS believe that the antidote to Big Brother Government attacks on liberty and national feeling is by introducing forms of Direct Democracy. By building democratic institutions and voting systems we can ensure the ‘sovereignty of the people’.

In conclusion;

NATIONAL LIBERALS believe “individuals require a national identity in order to live meaningful autonomous lives” and believe liberal societies need the “stability of national identity in order to function properly”. Both liberty and independent nations need strong democratic institutions to defend them from the corruption of Government.

NATIONAL LIBERALS believe that the land and environment has an impact upon the well-being and health of the nation and must be husbanded and protected from overdevelopment.

FORWARD

If you believe that our personal freedoms are under threat and need to be protected, that our democracy is too reliant upon professional politicians and should be 'devolved' to the people, that the UK should be a proper Federal state, and that nation-state(s) should be maintained and protected from the excesses of globalisation or the designs of supranational bodies such as the EU, then you will find your views within the National Liberal Party.

This document is a Policy Brief which highlights just a few of our policies, but always evolving to satisfy the desire of our citizens and a changing 'environment'. Our manifesto, which offers more policies and an explanation of why we support them can be obtained via our e-mail natliberal@aol.com or NLP, PO Box 4217, Hornchurch, Essex RM12 4PJ.

Glen Maney (National Secretary)

POLICY BRIEFS:

- INTRODUCE A BILL OF RIGHTS/CONSTITUTION
- INTRODUCE A CIVIL LIBERTIES WATCHDOG
- INTRODUCE ELECTORAL REFORM BY SWITCHING TO PR, RECALL AND NONE OF THE ABOVE ON BALLOT PAPERS
- INTRODUCE THE SWISS SYSTEM OF REFERENDUMS & INITIATIVES
- GIVE THE BRITISH PEOPLE THE EU RE-NEGOTIATION AND REFERENDUM THEY DESERVE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
- CAMPAIGN FOR FULLY DEVOLVED (DEVO-MAX) PARLIAMENTS FOR ENGLAND, SCOTLAND, WALES AND N.IRELAND (AND POTENTIALLY CORNWALL) RETAINING A SLIMMED DOWN UNION FOR MATTERS OF WAR AND FOREIGN POLICY. THE RIGHT OF INDEPENDENCE CONTAINED WITHIN THE BILL OF RIGHTS.
- INTRODUCE A FREEZE (UNDER PERMANENT REVIEW) ON UNSKILLED IMMIGRATION (NON-EU AND EU) AND A GREEN CARD SCHEME FOR SKILLED WORKERS. RIGHT TO GENUINE POLITICAL ASYLUM GUARANTEED
- WE WOULD IMMEDIATELY RE-INSTATE LEGAL AID FOR BRITISH CITIZEN'S TO THE LEVELS OF AND UNDER THE CONDITIONS IN PLACE PRIOR TO MAY 2010.
- ENSURE POLICE OFFICERS ARE WIRED UP TO A RECORDER AND A CAMERA WHILST ON DUTY.
- WE WOULD INTRODUCE A LAW THAT RESULTED IN ANYONE CARRYING A KNIFE OR GUN IN A PUBLIC PLACE WITHOUT A LEGAL REASON TO BE GIVEN A MINIMUM PRISON SENTENCE.

- A MINIMUM 160 HOURS COMMUNITY SERVICE OR MINIMUM £1000 FINE (TO FUND ALCOHOL AWARENESS COURSES) FOR BEING DRUNK AND DISORDERLY
- A MINIMUM 40 HOUR ATTENDANCE IN AN ALCOHOL AWARENESS COURSE OR MINIMUM £500 FINE FOR BEING DRUNK AND INCAPABLE
- THREE OFFENCES OF DRUNKENESS OR ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL WOULD RESULT IN A MINIMUM PRISON SENTENCE WITH AN INCORPORATED PROGRAMME OF ALCOHOL EDUCATION AND/OR WORK IN THE COMMUNITY CLEANING UP PUBLIC AREAS AND MEETING VICTIMS OF ALCOHOL RELATED CRIME. OFFENDERS WOULD ALSO HAVE TO UNDERTAKE AN EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMME
- WE WOULD INTRODUCE A SYSTEM WHEREBY IF A 'CHILD' UNDER 14 YEARS OF AGE IS ARRESTED AND CAUTIONED OR CONVICTED OF A CHARGE. THE CHILD'S PARENTS MUST ATTEND AN EDUCATIONAL PARENTING COURSE. WE NEED TO ENCOURAGE CIVILITY TEACHING WITHIN THE FAMILY UNIT
- INTRODUCE A NATIONAL CIVIC SERVICE FOR THOSE YOUTHS BETWEEN 16-18 CONVICTED OF A CUSTODIAL OFFENCE
- ENSURE EDUCATION INCLUDES A HEAVY FOCUS ON GOOD CITIZENSHIP
- NO PUBLIC FUNDING OF FAITH SCHOOLS
- WE WOULD ESTABLISH A STATE BANK OFFERING INTEREST-FREE (FOR A ONE-OFF ADMIN. FEE) LOANS
- WE WOULD INTRODUCE A 50 % TAX ON ONE OFF AND STAGGERED BONUSES AND 'GOLDEN HANDSHAKES' OVER £150K.
- ASSEMBLE A TEAM OF HAND PICKED EXPERTS E.G. ACCOUNTANTS; BUSINESS ECONOMISTS ETC. TO CLOSE TAX LOOP HOLES FOR

CORPORATES AND INDIVIDUALS.

- INTRODUCE TAX BREAKS TO COMPANIES WHO OFFER APPRENTICESHIPS AND FURTHER BREAKS FOR COMPANIES THAT OFFERED A GUARANTEED MINIMUM 12 MONTHS CONTRACT ON THE NEW 'LIVING WAGE' AT THE END OF THAT APPRENTICESHIP
- ENSURE THE NATIONAL MINIMUM WAGE IS A 'LIVING WAGE' RATE
- RAISE THE TAX THRESHOLD FOR AN INDIVIDUAL TO £14K PER ANNUM
- RESTRICT 'ZERO-HOUR' CONTRACTS
- WE WOULD MAKE SURE THAT EVERY EMPLOYEE HAD THE CHOICE OF JOINING A UNION OF THEIR CHOICE
- DEFEND THE TRADITIONAL HIGH STREET FROM STANDARDISATION. HELP THE SMALLEST BUSINESSES BY TAKING THEM OUT OF CORPORATION TAX AND BUSINESS RATES. TRANSFER THE TAX BURDEN ONTO THE MULTINATIONALS AND SUPERMARKETS
- SCRAP THE BEDROOM TAX
- SET UP A COMMISSION TO LOOK AT PAYING WELFARE BENEFITS VIA COUPONS FOR FOOD, CLOTHING, ESSENTIALS AND HOUSING
- ALL NEW HOUSING MUST HAVE SOLAR PANNELLING
- INCREASE INVESTMENT INTO RENEWABLE ENERGY
- PROTECT OUR GREEN SPACES BY OPPOSING POLICIES THAT INCREASE OUR POPULATION BEYOND 'SUSTAINABILITY' AND RELEASE RUN-DOWN HOUSING STOCK, LONG TERM EMPTY PROPERTY AND AVAILABLE BROWNFIELD LAND
- REMOVE STAMP DUTY FOR PROPERTIES UNDER £150K TO HELP FIRST

TIME BUYERS

- INTRODUCE A VOLUNTARY 'NIGHT TIME' ROAD TAX FOR HAULIERS AT A RATE OF 25% OF DAYTIME RATES BUT THE VEHICLE COULD ONLY BE USED ON A ROAD BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 2000 HOURS AND 0800 HOURS
- ADOPT A POSITION OF ARMED NEUTRALITY AND REFUSE TO BECOME EMBRIOLIED IN EXTERNAL WARS
- TRIDENT SHOULD NOT BE RENEWED
- HALT THE HS2 PROJECT
- RE-NATIONALISE THE RAILWAYS IN ORDER FOR IT TO BECOME A SERVICE AGAIN. SECOND CLASS FARES WOULD BE REDUCED AND FIRST CLASS FARES INCREASED
- MAINTAIN AND INVEST IN THE NHS IN PUBLIC HANDS. THE NHS SHOULD NOT BE JUDGED AS A PROFIT MAKING EXERCISE BUT A PUBLIC SERVICE
- RE-NATIONALISE THE UTILITY COMPANIES
- WE WOULD INDEX LINK PENSIONS TO THE RETAIL PRICE INDEX
- BAN RELIGIOUS AND RITUAL SLAUGHTER THAT INVOLVES CRUELTY TO ANIMALS
- INTRODUCE A SCHEME WHERE NON-NATIONALS WOULD HAVE TO HAVE WORKED IN BRITAIN FOR TWO YEARS OR MORE AND PAID TAX FOR THAT PERIOD BEFORE THEY GET 'FREE' AT POINT OF ENTRY NHS TREATMENT (A&E EXCEPTED)
- REFOCUS OVESEAS AID TO DEVELOPING SMALL BUSINESSES AND CO-OPS TO REDUCE WELFARE DEPENDENCY AND POVERTY AND DEMAND GOVERNMENT REFORMS

- APPLY SANCTIONS AGAINST THOSE STATES OPPRESSING DISSENT, ESPECIALLY OF SELF-DETERMINISTS
- REINSTATE ARTS COUNCIL FUNDING
- ORGANISE A REFERENDUM ON THE DECRIMINALISATION OF MARIJUANA AND OTHER CLASS A & B DRUGS. REINVEST SAVINGS INTO EDUCATION AND REHABILITATION BUT STIFFER SENTENCES FOR THOSE WHO MIGHT CONTINUE TO PUSH DRUGS

The National Liberal Party is Britain's 'Swiss' Party!

- The NLP Supports Referendums & Citizens' Initiatives
- The NLP Supports Armed Neutrality
- The NLP Supports A Federal Britain

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