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TO CHANGE BRITAIN

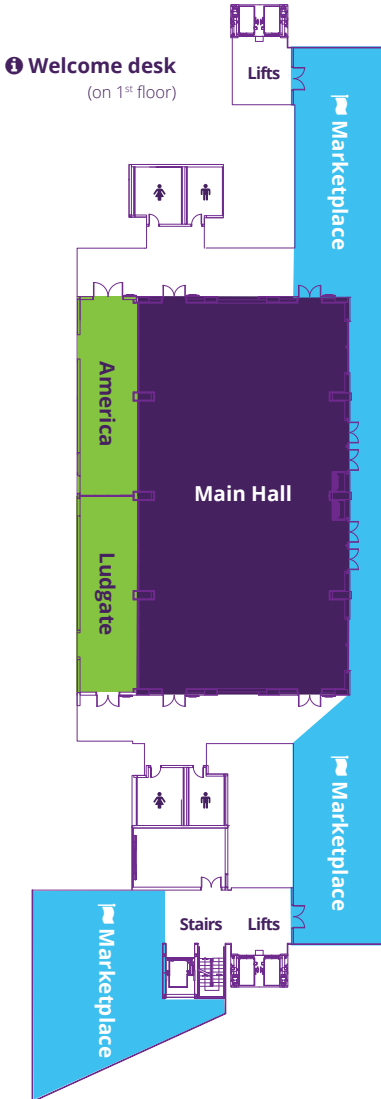
co-operative party centenary conference

GUIDE TO CONFERENCE

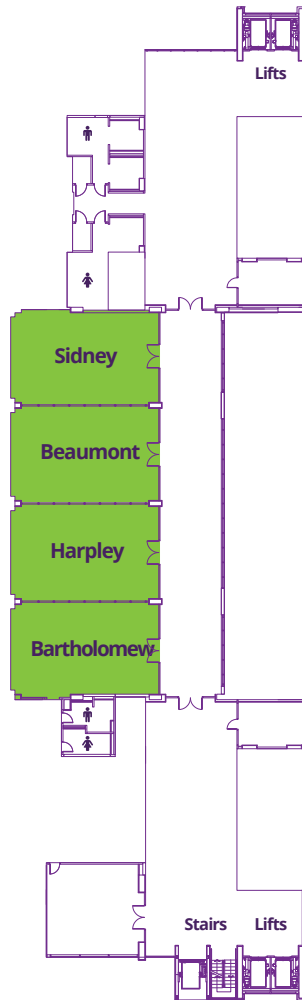
VENUE MAP (SAT & SUN)

📍 **GRANGE TOWER BRIDGE HOTEL** 45 Prescot St, London E1 8GP 🚶 Tower Hill

Lower Ground Floor



2nd Floor



WELCOME



Welcome to our Centenary Conference. Over the course of the weekend, we will commemorate the founding of our Party; remind ourselves of our significant record of achievement; but most importantly we will discuss how our ideas can and should shape the future of Britain.

As well as two policy debates on Saturday and Sunday on education and housing; we will have two 'ideas' sessions during which a panel of speakers will talk to Conference about how their projects and campaigns contribute to creating a Britain where power and wealth are shared. Please do make the most of conference by taking part in these sessions - contribute your thoughts and experiences from your community and ask questions.

We also have a fantastic line up of platform speakers. We are honoured to be joined by Labour Leader Jeremy Corbyn MP; Wales' First Minister Carwyn Jones AM, Deputy London Mayor Joanne McCartney, and Kate Osamor MP, the Shadow International Development Secretary. Ed Mayo, the Secretary General of Co-ops UK; Ben Reid, the Chief Executive of Midcounties Co-operative; and Jacqui Thomas, the President of Community Union, will also address us.

On Saturday night, we will celebrate our 100 years with a party including live music from 'the world's first Parliamentary rock band' – MP4, special guests, and of course a raffle! We hope you will join us.

If you are coming to Conference as a delegate from your Party Council or Society you can attend and take part in our Annual General Meeting on Friday afternoon. You will receive a presentation of our annual report and accounts for 2016, and discuss and vote on rule changes and organisational motions.

All in all, it promises to be a great event and I look forward to seeing you there.

Claire

Claire McCarthy
General Secretary

the co-operative party

100 Centenary Celebration

With **GUEST SPEAKERS &**

MP4 : 'THE WORLD'S FIRST PARLIAMENTARY ROCK BAND'

RAFFLE • DISCO • BAR

START **20:30**

END **23:00**

Grange Tower Bridge Hotel

45 PRESCOT ST, LONDON E1 8GP

Saturday

14th October 2017

TICKET INCLUDED
for Delegate and Weekend
Visitor passholders

Tickets available for purchase by day visitors
and other guests at welcome desk

MP4

'THE WORLD'S FIRST
PARLIAMENTARY ROCK BAND'

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MAKING THE MOST OF CONFERENCE

Co-operative Party Conference belongs to our members. Whether you're attending Conference as an experienced delegate, or are a visitor pass holder attending for the first time, don't be shy! All conference guests are encouraged to make Conference the best it can be by participating in discussions, Q&As, fringes and debates.

Speak in a debate

The programme includes policy debates on housing and education. All delegates are encouraged to contribute from the Conference platform- there's no need to be an experienced speaker or to have prepared anything in advance.

Visitors are also able to speak as time allows and at the Chair's discretion.

On social media

Follow and join the discussion on social media using hashtag #coop100 and #ideastochangebritain.

This year we're especially keen to see your photos and videos taken at Conference - and we'll be sharing and retweeting highlights throughout the day.

   [cooparty](#)

Fringe & marketplace

This year's conference includes a packed fringe, with events organised by over a dozen partner organisations. Fringe sessions will be taking place on Saturday lunchtime and early evening.

Please also visit the Marketplace to learn more about the work of the organisations represented.



FRIDAY

THE LIBRARY, WESTMINSTER CENTRAL HALL
Storey's Gate, Westminster, London SW1H 9NH

🕒 13:15 Delegate registration begins

🕒 13:30

New delegate training

🕒 14:00

Co-operative Party AGM *(delegates only)*

- Annual report and accounts
- Rule changes and organisational motions
- Awards

🕒 16:05

Centenary commemorations

- Ed Mayo, *Secretary General, Co-operatives UK*
- Tribute to founding co-operative societies

🕒 16:45

Centenary banner procession to Parliament Square

📍 Meet outside Westminster Central Hall

🕒 18:15

Welcome reception

In partnership with the London Co-operative Party

📍 The Library, Westminster Central Hall



🕒 20:30

Co-operative Party Youth social

📍 Bloomsbury Bowl

Tavistock Hotel, Bedford Way, Bloomsbury, London WC1H 9EU



SATURDAY

GRANGE TOWER BRIDGE HOTEL

45 Prescott St, London E1 8GP

🕒 09:00 Visitor & Delegate Registration opens

🕒 10:00

Chair's Opening Remarks

👤 Gareth Thomas MP, *Chair of the Co-operative Party*

Civic Welcome

👤 Joanne McCartney AM, *Deputy Mayor of London*



KEYNOTE

Rt Hon Jeremy Corbyn MP

👤 Leader of the Labour Party

🕒 11:00

Ideas to Change Britain I

👤 Cllr Sue Jeffrey
Redcar & Cleveland Council

👤 Mark Hooper
Indycube

👤 Paul Monaghan
Fair Tax Mark

👤 Baroness Glenys Thornton
Young Foundation

🕒 11:45

Centenary addresses

👤 Ben Reid
Midcounties Co-operative

👤 Jacqueline Thomas
Community Union

🕒 12:15 Lunch available at all fringe events

FRINGE EVENTS

* **Co-operative schools: securing a better deal for supply teachers**

NASUWT

📍 Sidney

* **Does the social economy need tax incentives to thrive?**

Social Enterprise UK

📍 Ludgate

* **Cooperation for the Common Good: Doubling the size of the Co-operative Economy**

Anthony Collins Solicitors &
Central England Co-operative

📍 Main Hall

* **Agriculture after Brexit: how can co-operatives help?**

Wales Co-operative Centre

📍 Beaumont

* **Growing the potential of co-operative and community energy**

Co-operative Energy

📍 Harpley

* **Is there a co-operative answer to the future of Localism?**

Co-operative Councils Innovation Network

📍 America

* **The People's Business: framing the progressive narrative**

Mutuo

📍 Bartholomew

🕒 13:30

Scottish Parliament Report

👤 Johann Lamont MSP, *Chair of Scottish Parliamentary Group*

🕒 13:40



KEYNOTE

Angela Rayner MP

👤 Shadow Secretary of State for Education

POLICY DEBATE I - EDUCATION

Instilling co-operation into learning

👤 Tracy Brabin MP

Shadow Minister for Early Years

👤 Lucie Stephens

New Economics Foundation (NEF)

👤 Cilla Ross

Co-operative College

👤 Darren Northcott

NASUWT

👤 Sharron Humphrey

Corelli College

🕒 14:45 Break for refreshments

🕒 15:05

Westminster Parliament Report

👤 Gavin Shuker MP

PARLIAMENTARIANS Q&A

Has British politics changed forever?

🕒 15:55

Ideas to Change Britain II

👤 Cat Hobbs
We Own It

👤 Jim McMahon MP
*Shadow Minister for Local
Government and Devolution*

👤 Afsheen Kabir
*Repowering London &
Community Energy England*

👤 David Barnard
Musicians' Union

🕒 16:40

PARLIAMENTARIANS Q&A

Brexit and the co-operative movement

🕒 17:30 Close

FRINGE EVENTS

* **Brexit - good or bad for Co-operative and Mutual Financial Services?"**

National Federation of Progressive Co-operators

📍 **Bartholomew**

* **Fans not Numbers: supporter ownership and football governance**

Supporters Direct

📍 **Harpley**

* **Co-op and community-led housing solutions: seeding the debate**

Building Societies Association

📍 **Beaumont**

* **Why it's time for proportional representation**

Electoral Reform Society

📍 **Sidney**

🕒 19:00

LGBT+ Co-operators Network social

📍 Princess of Prussia, 5 Prescott St, London E1 8AZ



🕒 20:30

Co-operative Party Centenary Celebration

Main Hall



- 20:30 **Welcome drinks**
- 21:00 **MP4** *The world's only Parliamentary rock group*
Supported by Merthyr Valley Homes
- 21:45 **Raffle & Disco**
- 23:00 **Ends**



SUNDAY

GRANGE TOWER BRIDGE HOTEL

45 Prescott St, London E1 8GP

🕒 09:00 Doors open

🕒 09:30

Session 3

Campaigning with the co-operative movement

👤 Paul Gerrard, *Group Policy Director, the Co-operative Group*

🕒 09:45

POLICY DEBATE II - HOUSING

Bricks, mortar and co-operation

👤 Miatta Fahnbullah
Institute of Public Policy Research (IPPR)

👤 Lloyd Russell-Moyle MP
Brighton Kemptown

👤 Carmen Simpson
Phoenix Community Housing

👤 David Alcock
Anthony Collins Solicitors

🕒 10:45



KEYNOTE

Kate Osamor MP

👤 Shadow Secretary of State for International Development

🕒 10:55

Welsh Assembly Report

👤 Jeremy Miles AM, *Chair of Welsh Assembly Group*



KEYNOTE

Rt Hon Carwyn Jones AM

👤 First Minister of Wales

🕒 11:40

Policy process feedback and report

👤 Rt Hon Alun Michael, *Chair, NEC Policy Subcommittee*

Priority campaigns session

Emergency motions (tbc)

Youth Report and Vote of Thanks

🕒 13:00 Close of business

🕒 13:30

Co-operative Party Women's Network lunch: Tackling Modern Slavery

All female conference attendees welcome

📍 Bartholomew



THE MARKETPLACE

(Saturday and Sunday Only) GRANGE TOWER BRIDGE HOTEL

We're delighted to welcome over 20 organisations to this year's Conference Marketplace, including our subscribing societies, friends from within the wider co-operative and labour movements, and our member-led networks.



**Co-operative Councils
Innovation Network**

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[coopukinsurance](https://twitter.com/coopukinsurance)



LGBT+ Co-operators

party.coop/lgbt



Co-operative Party Local

party.coop/local
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Co-operatives UK

www.uk.coop
cooperativesuk



Indycube

www.indycube.community
indycube



Revolver Coffee

www.revolverworld.com
revolvercoffee



Progress

www.progressonline.org.uk
progressonline



Co-operative Party Women's Network

party.coop/women
coopartywomen

CO-OPERATIVE PARTY SERVICE AWARDS



The Co-operative Party Service Awards recognise the contribution of members to the Party and the movement.

Recognition Awards recognise Party members who have made a substantial contribution to the Party and its work over a sustained period of time. This year the Tim Pearce Prize will also be awarded for the first time. Given in memory of Party staff member and friend Tim Pearce, who passed away in 2015.

Tim Pearce Award
Cllr **Laura Price**

Recognition awards

Barry Sheerman MP

David Wise

Joan Hellowell

Doreen Wise

“A compulsive co-operator – he always looked for ways to help make the world a better place, through actions as well as words. Tim was really one of the good guys.”

MERVYN WILSON, Former Principal of the Co-operative College

CONFERENCE FRINGE

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SATURDAY LUNCHTIME

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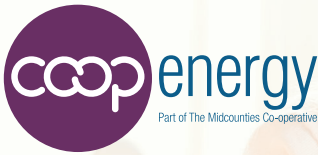
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Electoral Reform Society

📍 **Sidney**

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ABOUT CONFERENCE

The Annual Conference is convened by the National Executive Committee (NEC). One important change to note is that this year, the AGM will be taking place on Friday afternoon, and will be open to delegates only. In place of the usual conference dinner, we'll also be holding a Centenary Party on the Saturday night.

Venues

Friday

-  **Central Hall, Westminster**
Storey's Gate, Westminster,
London SW1H 9NH
-  St James Park

Saturday & Sunday

-  **Grange Tower Bridge Hotel**
45 Prescott St,
London E1 8GP
-  Tower Hill

Co-operative Party AGM

The Annual General Meeting of Co-operative Party Ltd will be held at 14:00 on the afternoon of Friday 13th September, the day before the official start of Conference.

Only delegate passholders may vote at the AGM.

Centenary commemorations

Events to commemorate the Party's centenary will be taking place over the weekend, including on Friday 13th, when the Party returns to Westminster Central Hall, the location where it was founded in 1917.

Following the AGM (delegates only), all Conference guests are invited to congregate at Central Hall at 16:00 for a ceremony to mark the Centenary of the Party, and a procession from Central Hall to nearby Parliament Square with the Party's newly-commissioned centenary marching banner.

Centenary Celebration

This year, a Centenary Celebration will be held on Saturday night in place of the usual Conference Dinner. The event will include speeches, a raffle, bar, drinks and entertainment from the band MP4, which bills itself 'The World's only Parliamentary Rock band'.

Most Conference passes include entry to the Celebration, and if so, you will have received a ticket enclosed with your Conference pass. If you are unsure, please contact the welcome desk.

Social media

You can follow conference and contribute to the debate on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram on [#coop17](#) [#coop100](#) and by mentioning [@coopparty](#)

Pass types

Visitors

Visitors are Party members or members of the public attending Conference in an individual capacity. Visitors are entitled to attend all parts of Conference apart from the AGM. They may not participate in votes, and speak on the Conference floor only at the Chair's discretion.

Delegates

Delegates attend on behalf of local Co-operative Party councils and co-operative societies. They are entitled to attend and vote in the Party AGM on the Friday afternoon of Conference, and receive priority when speaking in debates on the Conference floor.

Ex-officio

Ex-officio attendees are official Co-operative Party elected representatives such as MPs, MSPs, AMs and Councillors, as well as members of Committees such as the NEC and CAC. Ex-officio attendees may speak but have no voting powers unless also appointed as a delegate.

Catering

Lunch for delegates and visitors will be provided on Saturday. This can be collected and taken with you to fringe meetings.

Accommodation

If you are attending Conference as a delegate, your Party Council or Society Secretary will normally have arranged your accommodation.

Visitors should make arrangements of their own.

Delegates who have had their accommodation arranged through the Co-operative Party will have a room reserved at either the Grange Tower Bridge Hotel or Travelodge Tower Hill nearby.

You can find information about which hotel you are staying in in your 'Welcome to Conference' email.

Session times

Conference sessions (as recommended by the Conference Arrangements Committee) will be held at the times below. These are the sessions with motions, debates, workshops and keynote speeches.

Saturday 10:00 -12:15, 13:30-17:30

Sunday 9:30 - 13:00

Help?

You can find Co-operative Party staff on the welcome desk or on the Co-operative Party stand.

Any of them will be happy to help you. If your question relates to a motion on the agenda or an emergency motion, you need to contact Joe Fortune, Secretary of the Conference Arrangements Committee.

CO-OPERATIVE PARTY SHOP

Whether you're looking for campaigning materials, a gift for that special co-operator in your life, or a commemorative keepsake of the Party's Centenary year, our online shop has it covered.

Here's a flavour of some of the products currently on sale, and as you'd expect, all sales go to support the Party's work. Many of the products below are limited availability, so do buy them while you can!

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