

### Monday 8th October

#### Policing Under Elected Commissioners

**CHAIR:** James Slack, Home Affairs Editor, The Daily Mail  
**SPEAKERS:** Matt Bennett, Conservative Police Commissioner candidate for West Midlands; Rory Geoghegan, Research Fellow – Crime & Justice, Policy Exchange; Stephen Greenhalgh, Deputy Mayor for Policing & Crime; Lord Wasserman, Conservative Peer  
 08:30 | Room 102

#### The Future of Higher Education

**CHAIR:** Lucy Lee, Head of Education, Policy Exchange  
**SPEAKERS:** Rt Hon David Willetts MP, Minister of State for Universities & Science; Liam Burns, President, National Union of Students; Professor Ruth Farwell, Chair, GuildHE & Vice-Chancellor, Buckinghamshire New University; Professor Steve West, Chair, University Alliance & Vice-Chancellor, University of the West of England  
 10.00 | Room 102



#### A Federated Future: Can the expansion of school federations lead to the improvement of educational attainment?

**CHAIR:** Gerard Kelly, Editor, Times Education Supplement  
**SPEAKERS:** Nick Gibb MP, Minister of State for Schools; Kevin Courtney, Deputy General Secretary, National Union of Teachers; Lucy Heller, Managing Director, ARK Schools; James O'Shaughnessy, Head of Group Strategy, Wellington College & Policy Exchange Report Author  
 10.00 | Room 106

#### Getting the most out of the Green Deal: Changing the way we use energy in the home



**CHAIR:** Geoffrey Lean, Contributing Editor – Environment, The Daily Telegraph  
**SPEAKERS:** Gregory Barker MP, Minister of State for Energy & Climate Change; Thomas Heldgaard, Managing Director, Rockwool; Professor Tim Jackson, Professor of Sustainable Development and Director, RESOLVE & the Sustainable Lifestyles Research Group (TBC); Guy Newey, Head of Environment & Energy, Policy Exchange  
 11.15 | Room 102

#### Who's Following? Politics in the age of social media

**CHAIR:** Chris Wimpers, Political Editor, The Huffington Post UK  
**SPEAKERS:** Robert Halfon MP; Iain Dale, Leading Political Commentator; Elizabeth Linder, Politics & Government Specialist, Facebook, Inc; Alberto Nardelli, Co-founder & CEO, Tweetminster; Chris Yiu, Head of Digital Government, Policy Exchange  
 11.15 | Room 106

#### Living with Less? The future for living standards in the UK



**CHAIR:** Philip Collins, Columnist & Leader Writer, The Times  
**SPEAKERS:** Jesse Norman MP; Shaun Bailey, Special Advisor to the Prime Minister; Gavin Kelly, Chief Executive, Resolution Foundation; Matthew Oakley, Head of Economics & Social Policy, Policy Exchange  
 12.45 | Room 102

#### Mid-Term Blues (and Oranges): How to renew the coalition while preparing for the next election



**CHAIR:** Peter Riddell CBE, Director, Institute for Government  
**SPEAKERS:** Damian Green MP, Minister of State for Immigration; Nicholas Boles MP; Neil O'Brien, Director, Policy Exchange; Akash Paun, Senior Researcher, Institute for Government  
 12.45 | Room 106



#### What can the Conservatives do for Northern, working class voters?

**CHAIR:** David Wooding, Editor, The Sun on Sunday  
**SPEAKERS:** Lord Bates; Esther McVey MP; Alok Sharma MP; Neil O'Brien, Director, Policy Exchange  
 14.15 | Room 102

#### Low Carbon and Lower Bills: Can the circle be squared?

**CHAIR:** Damian Carrington, Head of Environment, The Guardian  
**SPEAKERS:** Matthew Hancock MP; Volker Beckers, CEO, RWE npower; Simon Less, Senior Consultant – Regulatory Policy, Policy Exchange; Dr Pierre Noel, Director, EPRG Energy Policy Forum, University of Cambridge  
 14.15 | Room 106



#### Policy Fight Club: Modernisation – It's time to go further and faster

**CHAIR:** Neil O'Brien, Director, Policy Exchange  
**SPEAKERS:** Nicholas Boles MP (PRO); Ian Birrell (PRO), Contributing Editor, The Daily Mail; Iain Martin (ANTI), Columnist, The Daily Telegraph; (ANTI, TBC)  
 18.00 | Room 102

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### Tuesday 9th October

#### Reconsidering Thatcherism

**CHAIR:** Ferdinand Mount, Author & Commentator  
**SPEAKERS:** Rt Hon Peter Lilley MP; Charles Moore, Columnist & Former Editor, The Daily Telegraph & authorised biographer of Margaret Thatcher; Neil O'Brien, Director, Policy Exchange; James O'Shaughnessy, Chief Policy Advisor, Portland Communications  
 10.00 | Room 102

#### Britain's Broadband Future



**CHAIR:** Matt Warman, Consumer Technology Editor, The Daily Telegraph  
**SPEAKERS:** Rt Hon Jeremy Hunt MP, Secretary of State for Culture, Media, Olympics & Sport; David Goldie, Commercial Director, TalkTalk Group; Chris Yiu, Head of Digital Government, Policy Exchange  
 10.00 | Room 106

#### Delivering a Pipe Dream: Making responsible business a reality



**CHAIR:** Kamal Ahmed, Business Editor, The Sunday Telegraph  
**SPEAKERS:** Matthew Hancock MP; Rt Hon Hazel Blears MP; James Barty, Senior Consultant – Financial Policy, Policy Exchange; John Cridland CBE, Director General, CBI; David Sproul, Senior Partner & Chief Executive, Deloitte  
 11.15 | Room 102

#### Costing the Earth: How can we bring the cost of childcare under control?

**CHAIR:** Eleanor Mills, Associate Editor, The Sunday Times  
**SPEAKERS:** Elizabeth Truss MP; Lucy Lee, Head of Education, Policy Exchange; Professor Helen Penn, Professor of Early Childhood, University of East London  
 11.15 | Room 106

#### A Decade without Growth?



**CHAIR:** Simon Brocklebank-Fowler, Chairman, Cubitt Consulting  
**SPEAKERS:** George Freeman MP; John Longworth, Director General, British Chambers of Commerce; Matthew Oakley, Head of Economics & Social Policy, Policy Exchange; David Smith, Economics Editor, The Sunday Times  
 12.45 | Room 102

#### Poverty: From treating the symptoms to dealing with the root causes

**CHAIR:** John Rentoul, Chief Political Commentator, The Independent  
**SPEAKERS:** Chris Goulden, Policy & Research Manager, Joseph Rowntree Foundation; Neil O'Brien, Director, Policy Exchange; Polly Toynbee, Columnist, The Guardian  
 12.45 | Room 106

#### Britannia Unchained: A radical future?

**CHAIR:** James Forsyth, Political Editor, The Spectator  
**SPEAKERS:** Kwasi Kwarteng MP; Priti Patel MP; Dominic Raab MP; Chris Skidmore MP; Elizabeth Truss MP  
 14.15 | Room 102

#### Why aren't we building more and better homes?



**CHAIR:** Robert Crampton, Columnist & Feature Writer, The Times  
**SPEAKERS:** Rt Hon Grant Shapps MP, Minister of State for Housing & Local Government (TBC); Matt Griffith, Director, PricedOut; Mark Henderson, Chief Executive, Home Group; Alex Morton, Senior Research Fellow – Housing & Planning, Policy Exchange; Dame Fiona Reynolds, Director General, National Trust  
 14.15 | Room 106

#### Economy 2012: What should be done now?



**CHAIR:** Larry Elliott, Economics Editor, The Guardian  
**SPEAKERS:** Mark Hoban MP, Financial Secretary to the Treasury; Joe Garner, Deputy CEO & Head of the UK Bank, HSBC; Matthew Oakley, Head of Economics & Social Policy, Policy Exchange; Jonathan Portes, Director, NIESR; Xavier Rolet, Chief Executive, London Stock Exchange  
 17.15 | Room 102

#### How can we secure real green growth?



**CHAIR:** James Murray, Editor, Business Green  
**SPEAKERS:** Rt Hon Caroline Spelman MP, Secretary of State for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs; Guy Newey, Head of Environment & Energy, Policy Exchange; David Palmer-Jones, Chief Executive, SITA UK; Professor George Yarrow, Chairman, Regulatory Policy Institute  
 17.15 | Room 106

#### In conversation with Rt Hon Kenneth Clarke MP Lord Chancellor & Secretary of State for Justice



18.45 | Room 102

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# AGENDA

## SUNDAY 7 OCTOBER



# MARKET PLACE

**Take a break from politics and indulge in a spot of retail therapy at the Conference Market Place.**

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10.00 – 12.30 Hall 1

### Meeting of the National Conservative Convention

All Party members are welcome to attend but only members of the National Convention may speak or vote at this meeting

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12.30

### Lunch

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14.30 Symphony Hall

### Opening of Conference

**Paul Swaddle**

President of the National Convention

**Rt Hon Grant Shapps MP**

Co-Chairman of the Conservative Party

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14.50 Symphony Hall

### Defence and European & International Affairs

**Rt Hon Philip Hammond MP**

Secretary of State for Defence

**Rt Hon William Hague MP**

Secretary of State for Foreign and  
Commonwealth Affairs

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12.30

### Lunch

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16.30 – 17.30 Hall 1

### The Road to 2015: 'Meet The Chairmen'

This session is open to  
Party Members only

An opportunity to discuss Party  
organisation with the Co-Chairmen  
of the Conservative Party

**Rt Hon Grant Shapps MP** and  
**Lord Feldman**

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17.30

### Session Ends

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## MONDAY 8 OCTOBER

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09.00 – 10.30 Hall 1

### **The United Kingdom in Action**

#### **Ruth Davidson MSP**

Leader of the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party

#### **Rt Hon David Jones MP**

Secretary of State for Wales

#### **Rt Hon Theresa Villiers MP**

Secretary of State for Northern Ireland

#### **Rt Hon David Mundell MP**

Minister of State for Scotland

#### **Andrew RT Davies AM**

Leader of the Conservative Group in the National Assembly

Chaired by **Nadhim Zahawi MP**

Contributions and questions from the floor are welcome.

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11.00 – 12.30 Symphony Hall

### **The Economy**

#### **Rt Hon Patrick McLoughlin MP**

Secretary of State for Transport

#### **Rt Hon Michael Fallon MP**

Minister of State for Business and Enterprise

#### **Rt Hon George Osborne MP**

Chancellor of the Exchequer

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12.30

### **Lunch**

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14.30 – 16.00 Symphony Hall

### **Turning Communities Around**

#### **Rt Hon Francis Maude MP**

Minister for the Cabinet Office and Paymaster General

#### **Rt Hon Eric Pickles MP**

Secretary of State of Communities and Local Government

#### **Rt Hon Iain Duncan Smith MP**

Secretary of State for Work and Pensions

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16.30 – 17.30 Hall 1

### **The Road to 2015: Conservative Policy Forum**

This session is open to Party Members only

#### **Cutting the Deficit**

Chaired by **Rt Hon Oliver Letwin MP** with **Matt Hancock MP** and other guest speakers

#### **Challenging the 'Something for Nothing' culture**

Chaired by **Rt Hon Oliver Letwin MP** with **Rt Hon David Willetts MP**,

**Rt Hon Eric Pickles MP**, **Mark Hoban MP** and other

guest speakers

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## TUESDAY 9 OCTOBER

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09.00 – 10.00 Hall 1

### Environment, Energy and Climate Change

#### Rt Hon Owen Paterson MP

Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

#### Greg Barker MP

Minister of State for Energy and Climate Change

#### John Hayes MP

Minister of State for Energy and Climate Change

#### Richard Benyon MP

Chaired by **Andrea Leadsom MP**

Contributions and questions from the floor are welcome.

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10.00 Hall 1

### International Development

#### Rt Hon Justine Greening MP

Secretary of State for International Development  
Panel discussion.

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11.00 Symphony Hall

#### Boris Johnson

Mayor of London

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11.30 Symphony Hall

### Health

#### Rt Hon Jeremy Hunt MP

Secretary of State for Health

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12.00 Symphony Hall

### Education

#### Rt Hon Michael Gove MP

Secretary of State for Education

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12.30

### Lunch

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14.30 Symphony Hall

### Home Affairs and Justice

#### Rt Hon Theresa May MP

Home Secretary

#### Rt Hon Damian Green MP

Minister of Policing

#### Rt Hon Chris Grayling MP

Secretary of State for Justice

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16.30 – 17.30 Hall 1

### The Road to 2015:

#### 'A Conservative Majority'

This session is open to Party Members only

#### Grant Shapps MP

Co-Chairman of Conservative Party

#### Stephen Gilbert

Director of Campaigning CCHQ and key members of the CCHQ Campaigning team

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17.30

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# AGENDA WEDNESDAY 10 OCTOBER

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10.30 Symphony Hall

### Celebrating the United Kingdom

#### **Rt Hon Maria Miller MP**

Secretary of State for Culture,  
Media and Sport

#### **Lord Coe**

Chairman, LOCOG  
(London Organising Committee of the  
Olympic and Paralympic Games)

#### **Mayor Michael Bloomberg**

Mayor of New York

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11.15 Symphony Hall

### The Prime Minister

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12.30

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**CONSERVATIVE PARTY  
FRINGE EVENT**

**RAPE AS A WEAPON OF WAR:  
SHATTERING THE CULTURE OF IMPUNITY**

SPEAKERS:



The Rt Hon  
William Hague MP

Lady Hodgson

Dame Barbara Stocking

**LOCATION:** THE ICC, HALL 8B  
**DATE:** MONDAY 8 OCTOBER 2012  
**TIME:** 17.30 – 18.30

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