

THE NATIONAL UNION OF CONSERVATIVE AND UNIONIST ASSOCIATIONS

Executive Committee Meeting - Thursday 21st June 1984

(Resolutions received from Constituency, Area and other organisations)

1. Nationalised Industries

"This Council fully supports the policy that nationalised industries should be profitable and efficient, and deplores the efforts of those who continually expect the State to subsidise their jobs."

Carried by 43 votes to 5 at the Annual General Meeting of the Northern Area Council on 14th April.

Forwarded to: Rt. Hon. Norman Tebbit, MP

2. Industry in the North-East

"This meeting welcomes the decision by Nissan to site their new European factory in Sunderland. It calls upon the Government to make widely known all UK and European aid available to industry in the North-East and to encourage other major firms to establish themselves in the region."

Carried nom. con. with 61 voting in favour at the Annual General Meeting of the Northern Area Council on 14th April.

Forwarded to: Rt. Hon. Norman Tebbit, MP

3. Reform of Local Government

"That this Council supports the Government's proposals for the reform of Local Government."

Carried by 66 votes to 4 at the Annual General Meeting of the Northern Area Council on 14th April.

Forwarded to: Rt. Hon. Patrick Jenkin, MP

4. Caravan Sites Act 1968

"This Council expresses its strong concern that the effects of legislation to control Gipsies have resulted in a significant increase in the number of itinerant dwellers within the meaning of the Caravan Sites Act 1968, and unacceptable infringements on, abuse of, private and public property. It calls on Her Majesty's Government to repeal the Act and restrict its concern in this area to ensuring the welfare of genuine Romany families only."

Carried unanimously at a recent meeting of the South Colchester and Maldon Association Executive Council when there were 67 members present.

Forwarded to: Mr. Neil MacFarlane, MP

5. Water Authorities

"The Yorkshire Area Finance and General Purposes Committee unanimously requested the Secretary of State to encourage Water Authorities to sell capital assets by giving them at least a percentage of that capital for the benefit of control of water charges by Water Authorities rather than merely use it to reduce their E.F.L."

Approved unanimously at a recent meeting of the Yorkshire Area Finance and General Purposes Committee when there were 24 members present.

Forwarded to: Rt. Hon. Patrick Jenkin, MP

6. Encampments of Women - RAF Greenham Common

"This Council deplores the inability of local and national government, and indeed of the law, to remove the encampments of women from the gates of RAF Greenham Common and from the common itself and asks the Government to increase its efforts to secure their immediate and permanent removal."

Carried by 60 votes to 47 at the Wessex Area Annual General Meeting on 19th May.

Forwarded to: Rt. Hon. Leon Brittan, QC, MP

7. Young Candidates for Council Seats

"Following the 1984 local government elections, this NAC recognized the need for a counter to the twin threat of an extremist Labour Party in the cities and the Alliance in rural areas. This NAC believes that local associations will fail to meet this challenge unless they avoid the practice of rejecting young candidates for council seats on the basis of supposed lack of experience. Rather, they should recognize that it is young candidates who are more likely to have the enthusiasm, energy and motivation necessary to mount an effective campaign."

Passed at the Young Conservative National Advisory Committee meeting on 26th May.

Forwarded to: Mr. Anthony Durant, MP

8. Use of Heroin

"This YCNAC is alarmed at the recent and phenomenal growth in the use of Heroin in the UK.

This YCNAC is equally alarmed at the suggestion, from some in the Party, that the possession and use of Heroin be decriminalized. Such a view is fundamentally contrary to our Party's concept of individual freedom, and is better described as anarchistic.

Recognising the appalling human consequences of drug abuse this YCNAC fully supports the Government's work concerning the control of drug availability and consumption and its attempts to eliminate drug abuse - and further, it urges the Government to extend its work in this area to meet the new challenge."

Passed at the Young Conservative National Advisory Committee meeting by 53 votes to one with no abstentions on 26th May.

Forwarded to: Rt. Hon. Leon Brittan, QC, MP

9. Bans on Trade Union Membership in the Civil Service

"The CTU registers its disquiet and dissatisfaction at the total lack of communication and dialogue with the CTU resulting in decisions leading to adverse consequences and damage to the National Union of Conservative and Unionist Associations and asks for assurances that the Government will cause no further bans on trade union membership in the Civil Service and that CTU will be consulted in the future."

Passed at the CTU Annual General Meeting on 14th April.

Forwarded to: Mr. Barney Hayhoe, MP