

DRAFT MOTION FOR LABOUR CONFERENCE

Conference notes that Social Care in this country is broken.

Conference believes that Social care is underfunded, under resourced and undervalued by those who have the power to change this situation. Its needs have gone unanswered for 75 years

Conference resolves to call upon a Labour Government to provide investment to improve care provision within the public sector, delivering a National Care and Support Service for Independent Living (NaCSILS) with nationally mandated standards but designed and delivered locally, which is:

- co-produced with service users
- guided by a taskforce on independent living led by those who use the services
- democratically accountable
- publicly funded
- publicly provided
- free at the point of use, and
- not for profit.

There will be national, objective assessment criteria to avoid any post code lottery for care.

Staff will have a proper career structure with improved pay, terms and conditions, tackling high vacancy rates and transforming training.

Labour will ensure unpaid family carers get a generous allowance, proper information, advice and breaks and more flexibility in the workplace.

Within the first term of a Labour government, care charging will cease.

The NHS and NaCSILS will not merge, but will work in partnership around users' needs and wants.

The service will be guided by Independent Living principles – it will not be more of the same.