



Constitution of the Labour Campaign for International Development

1. Rules

Rules shall be agreed and may be amended by the National Committee.

These rules will be agreed at the Inaugural General Meeting, after which Rules shall be agreed and amended by two thirds majority of members present at Annual General Meetings.

2. Name

The name of the organisation shall be the *Labour Campaign for International Development* which shall be referred to as LCID.

3. Purpose

LCID brings together Labour Party members and supporters committed to ensuring that the Labour Party acts to support a world without poverty & injustice.

4. Objectives

Labour Campaign for International Development aims to:

- a. Lobby the Labour Party to keep international development high on the agenda, and raise awareness on international development issues among Party members.
- b. Engage people who have turned to single issues campaigns into the Labour Party and the political process, by demonstrating that it is the Labour & Co-operative Parties who can best deliver on international development.
- c. Hold other political parties to account by scrutinising their policies and record.
- d. To provide members with opportunities to network and influence Labour Party policy on international development and in particular, shape the manifesto for the next General Election.

e. To share the ideas & policies, events and campaigns of organisations within the Labour movement working on international development

f. To share the ideas & policies, events and campaigns of civil society organisations working on international development.

g. To support and build links with Labour and Co-operative movements around the globe who are campaigning against poverty.

5. Membership

5.a. Individual Membership

Individual membership shall be open to any Labour Party member or anyone who is eligible for Labour Party membership.

Individual members shall pay an annual subscription if they are waged and a reduced subscription if they are unwaged. The amounts will be determined by the National Executive Committee.

5.b. Affiliated Membership

Membership is open to organisations that support our objectives including Development Organisations, Cooperatives, Constituency Labour Parties and Trade Unions. New affiliations shall be agreed by the National Committee.

Affiliates shall pay an annual subscription based on their membership as follows:

- i. Local Organisations (CLPs, Union Branches, Local Cooperatives): £20
- ii. National Organisations: £500

Organisations may apply to the National Committee for a reduction in the above rates

6. Annual General Meeting

There shall be an Annual General Meeting open to all individual members of LCID to attend and vote and each affiliate will be entitled to send up to two voting delegates.

The Annual General Meeting shall:

- a) Approve an Annual Report, Financial Report and Draft Annual Plan for the coming year
- b) When elections are held, every three years, ratify the results of the National Executive Committee elections.

Notice of the meeting shall be given at least 2 weeks before. The deadline for

the submission of business to the meeting shall be 3 days before the meeting.

7. National Executive Committee of LCID

7.a. Officers of the LCID

There will be 15 Officers of LCID, from which the following positions shall be agreed by the National Executive Committee:

- a. Chair
- b. Vice Chair (Policy)
- c. Vice Chair (Communications and Campaigning)
- d. Secretary
- e. Treasurer
- f. Membership Officer

Officer positions may be held as a job share where agreed by the Executive.

7.b Duration of terms

Members of the National Executive Committee shall serve five year terms.

7.c. Election of the National Executive Committee

The process for the election of the Executive will be as follows:

- i. Notice of the election will be given 4 weeks prior to the AGM. Nominations for election will require the applicant to submit 80 words on their suitability for the Executive.
- ii. Voting for the Executive will take place 1 weeks prior to the AGM. Voting will close 1 day prior to the AGM.
- iii. Voting will take place online. Members will view statements of those standing and vote for up to 15 applicants.
- iv. The results of the election will be ratified at the AGM.
- v. If there is a tie for the final position on the Exec, those candidates tied will both/all be elected.
- v. The National Executive Committee will elect the Officers at the first Executive meeting following the AGM.

7.c. Provision for Additional Officers

Additional positions may be created and agreed by the Executive. Vacancies created as a result, or resulting from the resignation of another Executive member, will be filled by a co-option process:

- i. Vacancies will be advertised to Members 2 weeks before the next Executive meeting.

- ii. Applicants will be required to submit 100 words on their suitability for the role.
- iii. If an election is required, voting will take place at the next Executive meeting. Applicants will be invited to attend the Executive meeting and invited to make a statement of up to 2 minutes on their suitability.

8. Advisory Board

LCID will have an Advisory Board of at least 20 individuals with political and development expertise who will provide the Executive with advice on LCID's policy & strategic direction. The Board will be appointed by the Executive.

9. Honorary Positions

LCID will have 2 Co-Presidents, and at least 10 Vice-Presidents to be appointed by the Executive. Honorary Presidents and Vice-Presidents will be invited to attend all Advisory Board meetings.

10. Dissolution

In the event that LCID is no longer able to function any money or property of LCID shall be transferred to the Labour Party in the United Kingdom.