

## Contemporary Motions 2012

**The deadline for receipt of contemporary motions is 12 noon on Friday 21 September.**

Details on how to submit them may be found at  
<http://www.labouremail.org.uk/emails/9460/2/2816/1441/6611/d5887792e912ec682ba68db0d253a4f0/>

### **Oppose racism, Islamophobia and the far-right**

Conference notes: that through the summer of 2012 violent ‘demonstrations’ against Muslim communities continued to be organised by the EDL in Bristol and Chelmsford, with one planned in Waltham Forest in September.

Conference notes: similar political messages to the far-right are being promoted on the right by the Tories, who are attacking multiculturalism and immigration whilst whipping up Islamophobia. The government is fostering division in society to distract attention from economic policies that are shifting wealth from the bottom and middle to the richest in society.

Conference notes that the BNP has two elected MEPs and agrees to campaign vigorously for their removal at the 2014 European Parliament election.

Conference further notes that both the BNP and EDL achieved their growth of support under the last Labour government and expresses its determination to ensure this cannot happen again.

Accordingly conference believes Labour should promote a policy framework that offers a vision of a united inclusive society that recognises the value of diversity, the economic benefits of immigration and upholds freedom of religious expression.

Conference believes that campaigning with such a positive agenda not only challenges the racism and bigotry promoted by the far-right and right, but will also help Labour build the electoral coalition it needs to win.

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