

Motion to Fund Free Education By Expropriation

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Conference believes:

1. Society benefits from having an educated population.
2. The quantity and quality of education available to the public has always been a general measure of social progress.
3. There have been several attacks on and cuts to education in recent years.¹
4. The quality and availability of education is being limited by these attacks.²

Conference further believes:

1. Education should be free and accessible to everyone, throughout their lives.
2. We have the resources in society to provide free education for all.
3. Profit should have no place in education.

Conference resolves:

1. To campaign for free education, to be funded by taking the entire education sector and the 150 biggest businesses and banks into the democratic ownership of the working class.
2. To campaign for the centralised and democratic planning of education and research based on the needs of society, not the profits of the rich.

¹ <https://www.theguardian.com/education/2019/jan/07/nearly-5000-schools-in-england-not-given-promised-cash-union> <https://www.theguardian.com/education/2018/dec/11/struggling-uk-universities-warn-staff-of-possible-job-cuts>

² <https://www.theguardian.com/education/2017/jun/07/uk-universities-fall-down-global-league-tables-after-budget-cuts> <https://www.theguardian.com/education/2018/dec/11/struggling-uk-universities-warn-staff-of-possible-job-cuts>