

**Minutes of the NEC Disputes Panel  
Labour Head Office, Southside, London  
1pm Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2017**

Attendance:

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In Attendance:

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Apologies for absence:

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**Section 4 - New Matters**

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**DP/19/17 Peter Gates A751876 Rushcliffe CLP**

Following discussion, it was agreed that this case be referred to a hearing of the National Constitutional Committee by a vote of 12 for and 3 against with 5 abstentions.

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Ref: A751876

13 June 2018

Dear Mr Gates,

Further to the hearing in Nottingham on 9 and 10 June 2018 of the disciplinary case brought against you by the NEC, I confirm that the decision of the National Constitutional Committee (NCC) Panel was that all charges as stated on the Charge Sheet were found PROVED.

The NCC Panel consequently determined that the sanction for your breach of Labour Party rules should be that you be excluded from Labour Party membership and not be allowed to apply to re-join the Party as a member or supporter until on or after 11 June 2020, and only then if in the meantime the NEC is satisfied that you have completed a course of anti-bullying and harassment training, to be arranged by the Labour Party.

You have therefore been removed from the Labour Party's national membership list and you are not entitled to attend any Labour Party meetings.

Please note that decisions of the NCC are final and not subject to appeal. On or after the 11 June 2020, you can submit an application to re-join the Labour Party, subject to the usual provisional period applied to all new members. If you apply to re-join you will not be eligible to have your join date backdated to give you continuity with an earlier period of membership. Contact will be made with you shortly regarding the required training.

Should you need any clarification on the terms of the NCC's sanction please do not hesitate to contact me at the Newcastle office.

Yours sincerely,

**Jane Shaw**  
Secretary, NCC

Copies to: NCC Panel  
Rushcliffe CLP  
East Midlands Regional Labour Party



ii.

[REDACTED]

iii. **NEC v Gates** – this is the case in which the charge sheet and supporting bundle was sent out by GLU in July 2017 on Jane’s behalf, but without her agreement when she was on sick leave. After the AGM a hearing was arranged for 9 December, but when the answer to charge was received and the respondent asked to call 15 witnesses to give oral evidence it became apparent that the hearing would take longer than the one day allowed and nobody being able to attend a two day hearing in December it was necessary for the hearing to be postponed. The respondent has been informed that the panel will only hear oral evidence from a maximum of six witnesses called by him.

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- Discussion regarding extending case timetables

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3. Disposing of cases without hearings

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4. Hearing arrangements for charges received by NCC

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5. Any other relevant business

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NCC Phone Meeting 7 June 2018

Attendance: [REDACTED]  
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Apologies: [REDACTED]

1. Continuing cases:

NEC v Peter Gates

Hearing taking place this weekend 9 & 10 June. Tom Wrigglesworth DRD in Yorkshire and the Humber Region is acting as secretary to the panel in place of JS.

(Charges subsequently found proved and decided Respondent to be excluded from membership for 2 years and may only be readmitted after concluding anti-bullying and harassment training.

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2. New Cases:

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3. Imminently expected cases

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## NCC Phone Meeting 10 May 2018

Attendance: [REDACTED]

Apologies: [REDACTED]

### 1. New cases:

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### 2. Continuing cases:

#### NEC v Peter Gates

After Respondent failed to respond to a request for dates when he wouldn't be able to attend a hearing in May and June, notice of a hearing on 9 & 10 June was sent to the respondent and he has now responded with evidence that he has a holiday booked that weekend. Agreed JS will take advice from NCC solicitor.

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### 3. Papers emailed to NCC

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