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**2025 ANNUAL CONFERENCE DATES, PRELIMINARY AGENDA, THE RE-OPENING OF SEVERAL NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS**

**Annual Conference Dates**

The 2025 Annual Delegate Conference will be held in Belfast from 3pm on Friday 23 to 1pm on Sunday 25 May 2025.

The location of conference is:

Hilton Hotel Belfast

4 Lanyon Place

Belfast

BT1 3LP

All documents sent out from Head Office below (except voting papers) shall be published on the TSSA website and sent to Branches, SOGs and delegates when these are known. Documents will be sent out via email only.

- The Preliminary Agenda shall be issued not later than **Sunday 23 February 2025**
- Voting papers for conference elections shall be issued to Branches not later than **Sunday 23 February 2025**
- Amendments on motions to be sent to Head Office, no later than **Sunday 23 March 2025**
- Notice of Appeals to Annual Conference 2025 must reach Head Office no later than **Sunday 23 March 2025**
- The Executive Committee report and accounts shall be sent to Branches and SOGs no later than **Wednesday 23 April 2025**
- Deadline for receipt of delegate names and addresses no later than **Friday 2 May 2025**
- The final agenda shall be issued and published not later than **Friday 2 May 2025**



- Questions to the Executive Committee's report and accounts shall be submitted to Head Office not later than **Thursday 8 May 2025**
- Voting papers for conference elections must reach Head Office by **Thursday 8 May 2025**
- Emergency motions to be received no later than **Wednesday 14 May 2025**
- Conference packs will be sent to delegates no later than **Friday 16 May 2025**

### **Preliminary Agenda**

Please find attached to this email, the Preliminary Agenda.

Please note that the timings of conference business are subject to change, but the confirmed schedule will be shared in the final agenda prior to the conference.

### **Re-opening of Several Nominations**

Due to several delegate positions not having candidates successfully nominated, the TSSA is re-opening nominations.

Therefore, Branches and SOGs are invited to nominate candidates for:

- 1 delegate for the Labour Party Women's Conference (WOMEN ONLY)
- A further 2 delegates for the TUC Women's Congress 2026 (WOMEN ONLY)

**Nominations must comply to the following criteria:**

- Nominations must reach head office by **Friday 28 March 2025**.
- Nominations must clearly be authorised by two different Branch/SOG officers, this should be done by making sure that two Branch/SOG officers are included in the email (e.g. sent by one officer, with another officer copied in).
- All information required on the form must be provided. Although forms for submission of nominations are included with this Circular, The Scrutineers will not require the use of these forms as long as the information required is included in the email.
- Nominees must send an email to the scrutineers, via [scrutineers@tssa.org.uk](mailto:scrutineers@tssa.org.uk), accepting nomination for the relevant Office/Delegation by **Friday 28 March 2025**.
- Branches should ensure that all nominees know that they have been nominated and should be reminded to submit their email of acceptance.

**Please note failure to meet the above criteria will invalidate nominations.**

**Please email rather than post nominations.**



## Labour Party Women's Conference 2025

The Labour Party arranges a National Women's Conference and a delegation of 2 women members to the Conference is required. As the General Secretary will be attending, we are inviting nominations for 1 delegate. All delegates must be fully paid-up members of the Association and the Labour Party. **Please note nominees must include the following information in their email of acceptance: Labour Party Membership No, Constituency Labour Party to which they are attached and confirmation that they have been in membership of the Labour Party for at least one year. Acceptance emails omitting this information will be declared invalid.**

Nomination forms have been attached to this email.

The nominations for the above positions must be sent to Head Office by **Friday 28 March 2025**.

## Elections

As there were only 3 delegate positions available for the TUC Congress 2025 and 6 candidates were successfully nominated, an election is required to determine who the delegates should be.

The candidates that were successfully nominated, include:

<b>Nominee</b>	<b>Branch</b>	<b>Nominated By</b>
Dave Barnes	Network Rail South London	Anglia General South, London Bus & Rail Operators, London South West & General, Network Rail South London
Duncan Bates	Lancs & Cumbria General	Crewe & Cheshire, Disabled Working Group, Lancs & Cumbria General
Andi Fox	North East Operations	East Midlands, London & Southern Retired, North East Operations, Southeastern Metro, Wales No 1
Hongjian Luo	North East General	North East General
Dean Taylor	Lancs & Cumbria General	Crewe & Cheshire, Disabled Working Group, Lancs & Cumbria General

Simon Turp	Southeastern Metro	East Midlands, North East Operations, Southeastern Metro, Wales No 1
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The voting papers for this election are included in this email.

Voting papers when completed to be e-mailed to [scrutineers@tssa.org.uk](mailto:scrutineers@tssa.org.uk) not later than **Thursday 8 May 2025**.

Similarly, there were more candidates successfully nominated for the Labour Party Annual Conference than there are delegate places - 3 candidates were nominated, but there is only 1 place available.

What is more, the Association was given incorrect delegate entitlement figures from the Labour Party, so this nomination process for the Labour Party Annual Conference, so there will be an election for one delegate place only.

The candidates that were successfully nominated, include:

<b>Nominee</b>	<b>Branch</b>	<b>Nominated By</b>
Frank Ellis	Lancs & Cumbria General	Crewe & Cheshire Disabled Working Group Lancs & Cumbria General
James Kavanagh	Southeastern Metro	Southeastern Metro
Simon Turp	Southeastern Metro	East Midlands, North East Operations Southeastern Metro Wales No 1

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If you have any queries concerning conference, please email me at [supportservices@tssa.org.uk](mailto:supportservices@tssa.org.uk)

Branches and/or SOGs wishing to contact the SOC or Scrutineers directly can do so via:

[SOC@tssa.org.uk](mailto:SOC@tssa.org.uk)



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