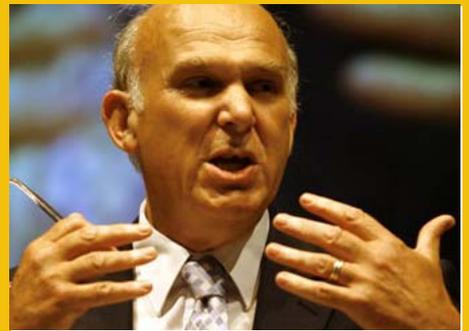


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Economy

In this time of economic catastrophe, Britain needs a party ready to deal with globalisation properly. As a party who saw the recession coming we believe we are the party to lead party to economic security. Public spending is an expensive ordeal, therefore funding is a real problem. We believe that, through a small annual tax of banker bonuses, and an increase of tax of top earners, that we can raise a large funding for essential public spending. We also propose to close tax loops holes on big business. We also understand that taxes are a very important issue very close to everyones heart, therefore we propose to revise the tax system and cut taxes

depending on one's wage. (e.g. cutting the average working age person's income tax bill by £700 and cutting pensioner's income tax bills by £100).

Health

- We all know the original aims for healthcare, to provide for the patients. Therefore, it is a Liberal Democrat promise that, if in power, we plan to reduce; waiting lists, bureaucracy and hospital closures. We believe that local authorities have too much power to close local facilities from the comfort of their offices without meeting the people it affects, we feel that this is a great injustice and therefore, we plan to reduce the power of these local councillors



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and let the public have their say on what happens to their hospital.

Education

The future of Britain's children is vital, therefore we believe that education is amongst one of the top priorities. The state of the education system, we feel, needs to be looked at. One of the necessary issues that we feel needs addressed is class sizes. In order for our children to receive the education they deserve, small classes would allow teachers time to spend more time with each child. Another issues desperately needing addressed is student fees, abolishing these fees would allow for more teenagers from socially deprived backgrounds to apply to university and further their studies.

Crime

Crime and the fear of crime is a big problem facing British citizens, something needing tackled as soon as possible. We believe that reducing police bureaucracy will allow more time on the beat, thus deterring the threat of crime. 3000 more officers will also be assigned to the streets as another way to deter crime. As for the prisoners, we believe that we should be doing whatever is possible to help rehabilitate them. Therefore, we vow to stop the warehousing of prisoners and focus more on making sure that criminals *do not* reoffend

International Relations

With issues such as Globalisation the Liberal Democrats fully believe that it is impossible to remain an strong independent country, therefore, if we take office we plan to work together with the European Union in order to make Globalisation a benefit for us. Another international issue that has entered the public domain is allegations of torture used during interrogations. We are in full support of human rights for everyone and therefore, if we gain power, we plan to hold a full inquiry into the allegations of British government involvement in torture.

Rural Affairs

It is easy to forget about the rural communities when most of the Britain we see is of an urban nature, not for the Liberal Democrats. We have a lot of plans for the vital rural communities of Britain. We plan to provide affordable housing in the rural areas of Britain along with an expanding broadband community. For the workers, we plan to give the local farmers a fair profit for the work that they do and regulate supermarkets more, making it fairer for famers and consumers alike.