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PREFACE

The UK economy is at breaking point. Decline is everywhere. Whole industries and businesses are lost. Social provision has been gutted. Our cities and towns decay. Unemployment, crime, drugs and a breakdown in community affects everyone; both young and old. We need a National Plan for the UK, at the centre of which must be An Alternative Economic Strategy. One that rebuilds Britain's prosperity and puts the wealth into the hands of those who create it. The mantra that "There is no money" is simply false. The problem is that a tiny minority own of most of it. The real problem is that our country lacks resources owing to decades of under investment.

- 1. In the fast changing World, Britain must adapt if it is to regain its position as a progressive, wealthy and constantly developing nation whilst retaining its traditional values which bind society together: a love of country, democracy, openness, free speech, equality before the law, fairness and family. This cannot happen if our country is run in the interests of a tiny, ultra-wealthy few. We don't have a democracy but an oligarchy. We have a society run by and in the interests of this cabal who control the finance sector, politics, media, education and other institutions.
- 2. The greatest treasure any nation or society can have is its people: all of its people, not just a privileged few. The first duty of any government is to ensure all have good housing, a first class health service, excellent education and training facilities geared to creating an advanced, creative and productive country that can as much as possible cater for its own needs.
- 3. But, as long as our country is geared to creating profits for the finance sector this can never happen. We have had over 40 years of an economy that has destroyed public services and industry in order to feed the insatiable appetites of the finance sector and the multi-millionaires and billionaires it serves. We need a publicly owned and decentralised finance sector that serves the needs of the country; not the reverse.
- 4. Mass net migration has long been a tool of finance sector to create a low-wage economy. It has been running at 300,000 per year, i.e. the addition of a city the size of Nottingham every year. We need balanced migration. We need highly-skilled workers when necessary with a focus on domestic training and of course, increased wages. We cannot allow the Globalists to prevent discussion on migration.
- 5. Underlying many of the UK's major economic problems is not just the lack of supply which fuels inflation but the huge unnecessary costs that drag it down. We have a massive lack of supply of housing. Our de-facto unregulated rental sector has seen a huge rise in "landlordism" where private landlords now outnumber teachers. They can demand high rents and ignore safety standards with near impunity. Insecurity of tenure means a complaint equals an eviction. Apart from the appalling conditions millions of British tenants face, this drives up the demands for higher wages and benefits increasing costs for our industries. Worse still, are the vast amount of empty properties calculated at about 1.5 million. If brought into use, along with a house building programme, they

would help solve the housing shortage and remove the necessity of building on so much green land.

- 6. Another factor is the virtually uncontrolled oil/gas energy sector which makes billions in profit thus driving up costs for industry and workers. Again, the latter forced to demand higher wages. Other basics such as transport, water, electricity have all forced up costs as private owners seek to maximise profits. The argument for the municipalisation of housing and nationalisation of infrastructure is now unanswerable. Privatisation has been a catastrophic failure.
- 7. The UK imports around 40% of its food. We need a national agricultural plan to enable us to be more self sufficient and less prone to environmental variations.
- 8. Our atmosphere is our most precious environmental gift. This is not just a national question but one for all humanity. We have to insist the greatest polluters embark on clean policies. The present practice of allowing polluters to buy their way out of their responsibilities is unacceptable.
- 9. We must be able to live with secure lives where the job of the police is to prevent and solve crime and the judiciary to punish and re-educate criminals to become fit and productive members of society.
- 10. We must insist that each member of society finds a creative role and work in which they contribute as well as receive.

To achieve the above we need the following actions:

PROGRAMME

- i. To stop the domination and control of the financial and corporate world on Britain's political, economic and social affairs. To remove any form of foreign control over our military, economy, politics and civil society. We need a policy of national independence. Thus, we need to ensure that the wealth and control of society is in the hands of the productive sector: the skilled workers, technical workers, information workers, professionals and managerial workers and genuine entrepreneurs.
- ii. To institute a national plan based on cost-benefit analysis which integrates and directs the strategic industries for the benefit of the national economy. We need to explore the possibilities and benefits of a circular economy. To this end we need public control over finance including, regional, sectoral, consumer and worker co-operative banking. To ensure a nationally led investment programme, it is essential we have a National Investment Bank and initiate the following measures:

The easing off of using interest rates as controls over inflation. This will prevent viable businesses from being crippled. Instead, look to increasing or decreasing bank currency liquidity reserve ratios as a means of controlling lending and therefore money supply.

iii. Here in point (iii) are some of the proposals, in brief, on finance, we think will help our economy.

- Abolish the offshore banking and tax avoidance/evasion schemes.
- Simplify the tax laws abolish most tax exemptions and stop the abuse of Trusts.
- Institute a progressive wealth tax that ensures the most wealthy are paying their fair share.
- Abolition of National Insurance and raising the tax threshold to £20,000.
- Institute price controls over some necessities.
- Create transaction taxes on asset trading.
- Institute capital controls and take government 'golden shares' in all our strategic industries to prevent their export or decline.
- Establish a publicly owned National Savings Bank.
- Privately-owned SMEs and genuine entrepreneurs need support and protection, especially from punitive changes in interest rates.
- All other banking to be totally separate from speculative (investment) banking.

iv. To create economy that encourages investment in industry, science and infrastructure. An economy that encourages genuine market competition where appropriate (as in consumer goods) whilst bringing natural monopolies like transport and utilities, strategic industries like steel production and the finance sector into public ownership. An economy that has just and transparent taxation. Where necessary, Quantitative Easing can be used to direct money to investment via the proposed National Investment Bank.

v. A major investment in relevant STEM, Artificial Intelligence and managerial skills is necessary to make this happen. Publicly owned, not-for-profit internet providers. Ensure that the benefits of modernisation are not all swallowed up by profits but used for the benefit of investment, wages and the community. Internet provision should be publicly owned as a non-profit company. For this we need a government led, long term investment in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). A modern, efficient and fully integrated transport system is vital to a functioning society. For this to be a success we need to hugely upgrade our education system with a clear aim of preparing our future generation to improve its skills to enable investment to be a success. For this we need to expand the number of jobs that serve society and not just profits. Automation and Artificial Intelligence should be used to decrease working hours and improve quality, conditions and training, not just to boost profits. One major scam is that of internet providers, constantly changing fees and making it near impossible to end a contract.

vi. To ensure every British Citizen has a secure and affordable, quality home. Bring empty properties into use through public ownership. Reduce landlordism. Build new homes where necessary, avoiding green and farming land as much as possible. To end the existing cartel of major building companies. Bring local and direct works builders into a

national house building scheme. All land, except that of working farmers and household owner/occupiers must be publicly owned. Towards this goal, we must end secrecy about land ownership and a compile a complete and free land registry open to all British Citizens. In the UK we can help lead by insisting all commercial and new build are equipped with solar panels. We need a more stringent approach to preserving our oceans from pollution.

vii. The police must never be used to achieve political or ideological aims. Further, our civil rights have been increasingly diminished by successive governments. These must be re-established in law and enshrined in a Civil Rights Charter that upholds liberty, democracy, citizenship and the rule of law that are inalienable to a free society.

viii. To bring the NHS into full public ownership and an end to privatisation of any part of it through PFI or any form of leasing. To end any foreign ownership of any part of the NHS. To ensure the NHS has open and transparent management and its workers rights fully respected. To bring all forms of care together into a coherent whole while decentralising where appropriate.

ix. Universities must be returned to the public sector and polytechnics re-instituted. Educating UK students is a priority for the future. We must provide free courses for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics as well as crucial humanities such as History, Media, English and Foreign languages. All primary and secondary education to be removed from privately-owned academy companies. Parents' elected representatives to have legal rights on school governing boards: to hold a maximum of half the seats on the board. Remove identity politics from schools. Recruit and train more male teachers. Free child-care for all working parents.

- x. To develop national and local programmes of sports and creative arts available to all to enrich the lives of each and all. Reduce the commercialisation of sport.
- xi. To emphasize and develop the unity of our nation and to challenge and remove the ideology of division and differences promoted by corporate/academic identity politics.
- xii. To strengthen civil and social law and institutions as the foundation of a healthy society: chiefly fair democratic representation, free speech, the family, local communities and social organisations/societies.
- xiii. To bring an end to the destructive policies of mass immigration and so called multiculturalism. Instead, to have a stringent immigration policy based on national need and a philosophy of social integration over time, creating a synthesis of what is best in all cultures.
- xiv. To support the continuation of the Union whilst respecting our constituent nations desire for independence should they so wish.
- xv. To protect Britain's sovereignty as a nation state and to pursue a foreign policy that is

in the UK's national interest and benefit To create a military geared to and capable of defending our countries against any form of invasion. A policy of trade and peace respecting the sovereignty of all nations. Recognise the decline of the G7 and EU and ascent of BRICS, ASEAN, SCO, and others as global realities. The UK must have friendly, trading relations with all.

xvi. A national strategy for agriculture and horticulture.

xvii. A key flaw in our democracy is the ownership and control of the media by multi-millionaires, the establishment and the security services: it is utterly biased and increasingly untrue. We will work with others to advance an alternative. We need to reexamine the current media structure and find more democratic and good-faith alternatives.

AIMS

The party sees it's function is to educate, propagate and thus influence popular discourse and politics.

We will campaign to galvanise a broader political movement in support of our aims; cooperating with individuals, groups and even other political parties that share similar ideals whilst holding to our tenets.