

Beyond x CPC23 Beyonders Conference Pack



Fill out our CPC23 Register

Welcome to Conservative Party Conference 2023!

Whether you are uniting with old friends, or new to the Conservative Party and waiting to meet new people this coming few days CPC23 is the perfect place.

Within this pack should hopefully be some useful tips and tricks to help you get ready conference.

All of our other conference resources can be found on our dedicated hub on our website.

CPC is a great place to meet new people, experience new points of view and groups you have never heard of before, and most importantly experience somewhere you may have never visited before.

We hope you all have a great time, and we look forward to seeing you soon.

Blue Beyond Executive.

Blue Beyond Events

Event	Date	Time	Location
Blue Beyond: After	Saturday 30/9	9pm	The Paramount
Midnight			
Natter and Network	Sunday 1/10	2:30pm	YC Stand
University Societies and YC	Monday 2/10	4pm	Turtle Bay
Associations Drinks			
YC Association	Tuesday 3/10	3pm	YC Stand
Brainstorming Session			

You can order your tickets on our CPC23 hub.

You can also find Blue Beyond Exec & Beyonders on the following panels:

- Future Leaders: Careers in Politics, YC Theatre, Monday 2nd October at 12pm
- The Long-Term Plan For Housing, YC Theatre, Tuesday 3rd October at 12pm
- Justice for the Young, CPS Theatre, Tuesday 3rd October at 6:30pm

What to Wear

What to wear at conference is a debate as old as the Party itself. With some people being dedicated to wearing a suit, some people choosing the 'jeans and a nice top' option.

Jokes aside, comfort is key. Days and nights are long, and with lots of moving and walking around the last thing anyone wants is to be uncomfortable.

Wear something clean and respectable. It would also be a good idea to wear a jacket, that you can take off easily, isn't too bulky, but will keep you relatively warm.

Best advice is to go smart casual, and whatever you feel comfortable in, especially when it comes to footwear. However, if you are attending conference for work purposes, then your employer will provide guidance on this. If you are meeting someone, then remember to dress for your audience.

<u>Tickets</u>

If you have any issues with your tickets, you can contact the conference <u>registration</u> <u>team</u>. If you haven't received your pass or have received your pass and it is wrong contact the team and they will send you to the accreditation office.

The accreditation office is located at The Edwardian Manchester, a Radisson Collection Hotel, Free Trade Hall, Peter Street, Manchester, M2 5GP.

Opening Hours			
Friday 29th September	13.00 - 18.00		
Saturday 30th September	10.00 - 18.00		
Sunday 1st October	09.00 - 21.00		
Monday 2nd October	07.00 - 20.00		
Tuesday 3rd October	09.00 - 20.00		
Wednesday 4th October	08.00 - 12.00		

Safety at Conference

This year for CPC23, Blue Beyond have consulted various charities and non-profit groups to provide Beyonders with advice and guidance on safety at CPC23 following feedback given last year.

Spiking

Blue Beyond spoke to with <u>Stamp Out Spiking</u>, a charity to tackle the incidents of increased spiking in the UK and across the world. We spoke to them on what Beyonders can do if they get spiked, how to prevent this, and what to do if someone they are with gets spiked.

Resources can be found on the Stamp Out Spiking webpage. These including various <u>products</u> to prevent products being spiked, the organisation provides excellent advice on what to do and what to look out for on the <u>FAQs page</u>.

Stamp Out Spiking also provide <u>training course</u>s, for a variety of stakeholders.

Tips and Tricks

Conference can be a daunting, stressful, and even frustrating event if you haven't been before. Hopefully this list will give you some tips and tricks to help!

- 1) Don't be afraid to reach out to people you know through twitter. Conference is about networking and meeting new people, don't be afraid to say hi.
- 2) Keeping going. Conference can be a busy time, between meeting so many new people, fringe events, speeches, and receptions it can be easy to get wrapped up in it all and struggle to find time out of the conference centre. Keeping a snack handy means you don't have to miss out on anything if you are struggling to make time for food.
- 3) Bring multiple portable chargers. The last thing anyone wants is to run out of phone battery especially if you are at a reception in the evening, had too much to drink and need to order an Uber. Have one portable charger on charge, and one to use and rotate throughout conference.
- 4) Don't want to drag round a water bottle, and save your money for alcohol? If you are looking for an environmentally friendly way to stay hydrated but also want to travel light a <u>collapsible water bottle</u> is a good option, or <u>mini water</u> <u>bottles such as these from Asda</u> saves you from dragging around a water bottle. Conference can involve some long days and even longer nights, so remember to stay hydrated. The conference centre does water stations.
- 5) Find the receptions that will save you money. Some receptions will provide free food and/or drink, taking advantage of these can be an easy cost saving technique.
- 6) **Re-fill the tank.** Conference can be a heavy shift. Make sure you eat and keep your body fuelled. Food in the secure zone can be expensive, however there are lots of cheaper and quicker options near to the centre:
 - a. Wetherspoons: The Paramount
 - b. Sainsburys: Deansgate
 - c. Pizza Express: Oxford Street
- 7) **Prep work is strategic.** Bring a small first aid kit with you (paracetamol, plasters, Rennie's) for when you have had a bit too much at a reception. Also buy cold and flu remedy and leave this at home, for when you return from conference. Conference flu is a harsh reality.
- 8) Marathon, not a sprint. There are so many different things at conference that you will want to attend and there will be clashes with events, have a flexible plan so that you don't end up burning out.
- 9) **Don't be a cliché**. Meeting an MP or political commentator can be exciting and asking for a picture can be tempting. These people will most likely only have a

few minutes to spare in-between meetings and events, instead of asking for a picture ask them an interesting question on policy or ask to see if they can visit your sixth form, university society or local association or host a virtual event with them. Please do not be rude or touch them without consent.

- 10) Fringes are in. Fringe events can be some of the best events at conference and usually outside of the conference hall but within the secure zone. See our recommendations further down.
- 11)Pace yourself. Free booze is always great, however it's not a race of how much you can drink, and generally not the best quality.
- 12) Get some boots that were made for walking. Comfortable shoes are a must for conference, and even to be on the safe side bring blister plasters.
- 13) **Rain is inevitable.** It always rains in Manchester. Prep with a waterproof jacket or umbrella.
- 14)Safety first. Don't wear your lanyard outside the secure zone, it may open you up to unwanted abuse from protestors or thieves. Keep your belongings close, and safe. Also keep your drinks covered and don't leave them unattended, spiking happens frequently at conference.
- 15)Check what you can/ cannot bring in. This year CCHQ have given a long list of what they will not allow into the conference centre due to protests in previous years. This can be found on the conference website.

Blue Beyond Members Register

(Liv will provide full list on Saturday)

Olivia Lever	London	
James Render	York	
Braiden Smith	Aberdeen	
Ben Harley	Edinburgh	
Eitan Godsi	Aberdeen	
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Edward Howard	Bishop's Stortford	
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Charlie Douglas	Portsmouth	
Bailey Nash-Gardner	Hertford, hertfordshire	
Thomas Athey	Newcastle	
Robert Scott	Crewe	
Owen Cartey	Southend	
Luke Robert Black	London	
Helena Penfold	South Devon	
Benjamin Hobbs	Manchester	
Caden Lunness	Liverpool	
Ted Grainger	Nottingham	
Greg Oxley	London	
Jake Enea	Cardiff	
Felix Powell	Durham	
Alice Gregory	Falmouth, Cornwall	
Thomas Clowes-Pritchard	Tunbridge Wells	
Lucy Aspinall	London	
Casey Bryne	Reading	
Jake Gilbert	Derbyshire	
Adam Limb	Somerset	
Edward Todd	North London	
Alex Cobb	Maidenhead	
Connor Mulhall	Leeds	
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Sam Worthington	Congleton	
Tyler Chambers	Rhayader	
Amber Dunbar	Moray	
Nicole Richer	Leeds	

Soundtrack to your Conference

Back by popular demand we have a new collaborative playlist for Conservative Party Conference 2023.

Click the link below to add your music!

Beyond at CPC23: the vibe setter

Blue Beyond Conference Groups

- Register for WhatsApp Chat
- Facebook: <u>Tips and Tricks & Travel and Accommodation</u>
- Facebook: Media Opportunities

<u>Travel</u>

- There is a train strike planned for Saturday 30th September and Wednesday 4th October, information on the strike can be found on <u>Trainline</u> and <u>National Rail</u> website.
- TransPennine Express are running <u>discounted tickets</u> with the code CPCTPE for 20% off.
- Nearest tram stop is St Peter's Square, more information on the Manchester Trams can be found on the <u>GM Transport website</u>.
- A <u>free 'hop on, hop off' service</u> linking all of the main rail stations, business areas and city centre districts. There are services which operate on circular routes

Official Party Agenda

The official Party agenda can be found on the <u>Conference website</u>, or you can pick up hard copies in the MCCC.

Below are Blue Beyond endorsed events – these are events <u>you cannot miss</u>! Kindly suggested by our partner groups.

Below these are recommended events. These events are fringe events we believe you as members would be interested.

Blue Beyond Endorsed Events - These are the ones you cannot miss!

Event	Organiser	Time	Location	
Sunday 1 st October				
2030: HIV Times Up! Drinks Reception	LGBT+ Conservatives	5pm	The Tea Rooms	
Pride Reception	LGBT+ Conservatives	6pm	Exchange 4-5	
	Monday 2 nd October			
Future leaders: careers in politics	Young Conservatives	12pm	YC Theatre	
The Future Of Conservatism	Young Conservatives	1pm	YC Theatre	
Tackling intergenerational unfairness: How can we make the housing market work for all	ConservativeHome in partnership with HBF	1.30pm - 2.30pm	ConservativeHome Marquee	
What have the Tories ever done for us?	Centre for Policy Studies	18:30pm-19:30pm	CPS Theatre	
TRG Midnight Reception (have to be a TRG member)	Tory Reform Group	10:30 pm - 12:00 am	Petersfield Suite	
	Tuesday 3 rd October			
Young Conservative Breakfast	Young Conservatives	10:30am	YC Theatre	
The Long-Term Plan For Housing	CYW	12pm	YC Theatre	
Can building more sustainable homes turn NIMBYs to YIMBYs?	Conservative Environment Network	2pm	Central Rooms 3-4	
Young Conservatives Reception	Young Conservatives	5pm	The Tea Rooms	
Justice for the Young!	Centre for Policy Studies	18:30pm-19:30pm	CPS Theatre	
Youth reception: empowering young people through the Duke of Edinburgh's Award	ConservativeHome in partnership with the Duke of Edinburgh's Award	7.15pm-8.30pm	Central 5	
CEN's Quiz of the Year	Conservative Environment Network	8pm	Central Rooms 3-4	
The LGBT+ Conservatives Closing Party	LGBT+ Conservatives	9pm – 3am	ТВС	

Recommended Events

Event	Organiser	Time	Location
	Sunday 1 st October		
LGBTQ+ Networking Brunch	LGBT Foundation	11am	Manchester Central Library, St Peter's Square Manchester M2 5P
Scottish Conservative and Unionist Fringe	Scottish Conservatives	1pm	Charter 4
Student Success: What do students need to survive and thrive at university?	Staffordshire University and the Purpose Coalition	1pm	Victoria Suite, Midland Hotel
How to Drive Economic Growth	IEA & TPA	3:15pm	ThinkTent
Is the UK a safe space for free speech?	IEA & TPA	4:30pm	ThinkTent
The Girls' Attitudes Survey 2023: How have girls' lives changed over the last 15 years?	GirlGuiding	4:30pm	Youth Zone
Scottish Conservative and Unionist Reception	Scottish Conservatives	брт	Charter 3
Women2Win Reception	Women2Win	6pm	Charter 4
Welsh Conservatives Reception	Welsh Conservatives with UK Hospitality	8:30pm	Exchange 9
Northern Reception	Northern Conservatives	9pm	Charter 1 & 3
	Monday 2 nd October		
Young Conservatives Breakfast	Young Conservatives	10:30am	YC Theatre
How do we fix the housing crisis?	Centre for Cities & Leeds Building Society	11:30am	Room G1, Friends' Meeting House Manchester
Great British Growth Rally	QLT Strategic	12pm	Trafford Room

Is the Online Safety Bill a threat to free speech?	The Spectator	12:30pm	Exchange 6-7
Can the Tories Win?	Bruges Group	1pm	Friends' Meeting House, 6 Mount Street Manchester M2 5NS
Is Girls' Education really a silver bullet for UK Foreign Policy?	Coalition for Global Prosperity	2:30pm	Exchange 2-3
Conservative Voice Fringe Meeting - 'Going for Growth'	Conservative Voice	3pm	Thatcher Theatre
Going private: reforming the UK's rental market	Bright Blue	4pm	Central 6
Battle of the Think Tanks: Should we reduce Immigration	IEA & TPA	5:45pm	ThinkTent
NRG Manifesto Launch: Stronger North, Stronger Britain	ConservativeHome in partnership with the Northern Research Group	7:30pm	Central 5
Next Gen Tories Drinks Reception	Next Gen Tories	10:30pm	Victoria Suite, Midland Hotel
Ocean Reception: Celebrating the Blue Belt Programme	Conservative Friends of the Ocean	11pm	Lancaster Suite, Midland Hotel
	Tuesday 3 rd October		
International Conservatives Breakfast	International Conservatives	9am	Hilton Manchester Deansgate
Young Conservatives Breakfast	Young Conservatives	10:30am	YC Theatre
In conversation with Lee Anderson MP	ConservativeHome in partnership with UK in a Changing Europe	1:30pm	ConservativeHome Marquee
Young people at the heart of the Conservative General Election Plan	YMCA England and Wales	1:45pm	Central 6
In conversation with Mayor Andy Street	Centre for Cities	3:30pm	Room G1, Friends' Meeting House Manchester
Online Safety: What should Ofcom's guidance about the safety of women and girls online say?	Digital Tories and Conservative Young Women with Conservative PCCs	5:30pm	Central 6

Fraser Nelson in conversation with Kemi Badenoch	The Spectator	6:30pm	Exchange 11
The Northern Ireland Conservative Chairman's Reception	NI Conservatives in association with Retail NI Capita & Heathrow	7pm	Heathrow Lounge - Level 0 Foyer
Common Sense Group and Blue Collar Conservatives Joint Reception (sponsored by the Daily Express)	Blue Collar Conservatives Common Sense Group Daily Express	8:30pm	Exchange 9
Yorkshire Reception	Yorkshire Conservatives	9:30pm	Chester Suite, Midland Hotel



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