

The Leeds People's Charter, 14.10.17

Welfare and Services

- Everyone has their material, health, social, cultural and economic needs met in a rights-based system responsive to individual and community diversity
- The welfare system guarantees all people a good standard of living, including the resources to have adequate, secure housing
- “A good standard of living” comprises of:
 - not being dependent on the labour market for survival
 - time and energy for relationships, creativity, meaningful personal activity
 - dignity and respect as standard
 - freedom from violence and discrimination
- All public services put out to tender, MUST be open to an Equality Impact Assessment
- A free and reliable public transit system for the Leeds / West Yorkshire area, which is democratically accountable

Migrant rights

- Equal Access – same rights as residents – education, healthcare, jobs, benefits
- Translation – ensuring that all migrants are able to access a translator if they need one
- Simplification of documents
 - Stopping the hate peddled by the media:
 - Islamophobia / other religious discrimination
 - Making it clear what is acceptable & what is not
 - Stopping the spreading of inaccurate info
- Stop people acting as informants
- STOP VIEWING PEOPLE AS NUMBERS

Education Reform

- Abolition of all special schools
- Compulsory awareness training only from people with life experience
- Make all schools inclusive, including universities
- That the university concede to the UCU and drop the sackers' charter
- Grants to be brought back
- Scrapping of fees
- Stopping of the privatisation of higher education
- An accountable face

Land Reform

- Community Land trusts – empowers and brings together people, acts against gentrification
Peston model of cooperative municipal development
- People's PPE is brought to Leeds to build collective community conscious, to overthrow the idea that there is no alternative; to show people that empowering democratic life is possible

Power

- Develop a social, economic and political struggle that is beneficial and fair for all the people of Leeds.
- Make people in power accountable