CSPA WIRRAL GROUP SUMMER AUTUMN NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2025

Dear

Following the Spring Newsletter, I am very pleased to report a positive response to

a) the appeal for funds and b) an update on members email database.

The Group extends its sincere thanks to all the members who have made valuable donations thus ensuring the Group's financial security. Further donations may be made to Sort Code 30-95-11 Account 02349648.

At the Group's meeting in June, it was decided to send a motion to the AGM noting with dismay the Bank's imposition of monthly charges and asking the Executive Council to negotiate more favourable terms.

At the same meeting, it was proposed that we should endeavour to resurrect the **Christmas luncheon**. Pre-Covid, this was always a very friendly gettogether with more than 20 members attending and assisting the Group's finances. When you've read this Newsletter, could you kindly email myself or Tina as to whether you are willing to attend a Christmas luncheon on 9th December and if so kindly suggest a venue.

Tina and I attended the Northwest Regional meeting on 25th June at Liverpool Central library. Also attending were Group representatives from Liverpool & District, Greater Manchester and Chester. David Luxton DGS gave a detailed address covering many of the current campaigns and membership benefits. He also provided updates on organisation and recruitment matters. During the session, there were lively debates on the winter Fuel allowance, civil Service, state pension increases and health issues.

The WASPI campaign has secured a judicial review of the government's decision not to pay the compensation. The campaign is alive and kicking.

I thought you might be interested in some statistics from the General Election last year in the Parliamentary Constituencies covered by the Wirral Group area.

Constituencies	Elected and 2 ^{ndplace}	Party	Votes
Birkenhead	1 Alison McGovern	Labour	22468
	2 Tony Stanley	Reform	6142
Ellesmere Port	1 Justin Madders	Labour	24186
&Bromborough	2 Michael Aldred	Reform	7278
Wallasey	1 Dame Angela Eagle	Labour	24674
	2 David Burgess-Joyce	Conservative	6678
Wirral West	1 Matthew Patrick	Labour	23156
	2 Jenny Johnson	Conservative	13158
Chester North	1 Samantha Dixon	Labour	22258
& Neston	2 Simon Eardly	Conservative	10388

The average turnout across these constituencies was 59%

Please contact your MP on any issue that concerns you. MP's listen more to their Constituents rather than an organisation.

Our Group meeting attendances are very poor, but we do have 177 registered members. It would be quite an achievement if we could get 10% to attend. Please give serious consideration to whether you could contribute to the Group business activity. The next meeting is **on Tuesday 9**th **September 2025 at Upton Victory Hall, Salacre Lane, Upton, Wirral. CH45OTL at 10.00am**. Tea/Coffee will be available. The meeting will consider all the motions for the AGM and give a mandate to our delegate – Tina Haslam.

Having read this Newsletter please repair to your PC and email your Christmas preferences.

Yes I will attend or Sorry unable to partake and Suggested venue.

Feed back comments on these Newsletters would also be appreciated.

With best wishes and pleasant summer holidays to you all.

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