

'A Citizens Manifesto' - Ten Steps To A Better Britain

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1. Reform **party funding**.
2. Convert the **Palace of Westminster** into a museum of pre-21st century life in Britain and symbol of a bygone age.
3. Move **Parliament** to a building with a layout more conducive to constructive political exchange - after all, what are we going to do with all the Olympic sites after 2012?
4. Abolish the disgracefully tribal format of the weekly 'Prime Ministers Questions' - it's easier for the public to **respect politicians** when they are seen to respect each other.
5. Strengthen the independence and power of **Parliamentary committees** to hold government and its agencies to account.
6. Stop the unnecessary and expensive spread of the '**Big Brother**' Surveillance State - even without ID cards, the databases are growing and are being linked to new (forgeable) biometric passports serving as surrogate cards. The problem is the database, not the card.
7. Ban **GM food** and instead invest in modern agricultural biotechnologies which are more publicly acceptable and practically effective, such as 'genomics' based plant breeding.
8. Provide '**Consciousness Based Education**' (CBE) for pupil, student, and adult learning, to transform the economic and social well-being of the country, including health and crime.
9. Deploy 'CBE' in Foreign Policy to dissolve political and religious tensions in the **Middle East** and other troubled regions to secure a less fearful hate-filled world for all.
10. Withdraw Britain from the counterproductive **NATO** (aka '**Need Another Transit-route for Oil-and-gas**') alliance, and stop the futile sacrifice of our troops, whose proper role is to defend the country, not make us more enemies - and invest the money saved in creating jobs in renewable **technology** to make Britain genuinely more **energy** secure.

"[P]assports from 2011 will have the same things as ID cards.... [they] can certainly scrap the little plastic card which calls itself a British ID card. However, what they can't scrap is the **database** because that's going to be used to store details of people who have got passports... ten years after 2011 you will have 80% of the population with their details on a **database** - whatever you call it - and **stored in the same way that you would have with ID cards.**"

[BBC Radio 4 Today Programme, 6 May 2009 - 06:32 am](#)

"New microchipped passports designed to be foolproof against identity theft **can be cloned and manipulated in minutes** and accepted as genuine by the computer software recommended for use at international airports... travellers [will be] vulnerable to identity theft when they surrender their passports at hotels or car rental companies."

[Times, 6 August 2008](#)

"Our privacy is being invaded by the world's security services in every second of every day, **as a routine matter**. Vast quantities of information are collected by commercial enterprises such as Google or Tesco. Against these invasions of our privacy we have little or no protection."

[Times, 25 July 2008](#)

More Information

Why The World Needs A Ban On GM Food

www.bangmfood.org

Acceptable Genomics Based Biotechnology For Agriculture

www.greenpeace.org/international/press/reports/smart-breeding

Consciousness Based Education

www.davidlynchfoundation.org