

by Mark Pack 6 years ago

Nick Clegg gives the William Beveridge lecture

Speaking at the at Social Liberal Forum Conference 2012 on Saturday morning, Deputy Prime Minister Nick Clegg gave the William Beveridge memorial lecture. Here are my tweets of the event, interspersed with some links to older blog posts that expanded on some of the issues which came up.

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Impressively large turnout at [#slfconf](#). Well done Mary + colleagues.

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.@nick_clegg praises Social Liberal Forum for its role in generating policy and promoting liberalism [#slfconf](#)

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.@nick_clegg I am not an economic liberal, a social liberal or a classical liberal. I am a Liberal Democrat #slfconf

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.@nick_clegg Agrees with Beveridge's aims but 21st century liberalism should rely less on centralised top-down solutions #slfconf

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.@nick_clegg Wrestles every day with being progressive when big deficit + junior partner in a coalition #slfconf

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.@nick_clegg Govt is more fair, more socially liberal because Lib Dems in government #slfconf

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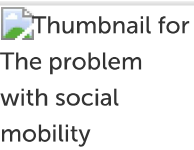
.@nick_clegg By 2015 public spending as % GDP will still be higher than most of years under Labour #slfconf

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.@nick_clegg Social mobility at heart of his beliefs + work #slfconf

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 **The problem with social mobility**

The problem with social mobility

Nick Clegg often talks about social mobility, but is it the right focus for the party's social efforts? The day after he was elected Libe...

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.@nick_clegg Need to ensure health system incentivises health professionals to keep people healthy + out of hospital #slfconf



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.@nick_clegg ... And that means health + social care systems need to be integrated. Major problem with the Beveridge system #slfconf



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Thumbnail for Paul Burstow outlines plans for social care reform

Paul Burstow outlines plans for social care reform

Earlier this evening I headed off to Alexandra Palace to go past the spectacular views and hear Paul Burstow talk about his plans for soc...



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.@nick_clegg There is vast social housing crisis. Hints at major new policies. Notable housing is 2nd topic for speech after health #slfconf



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.@nick_clegg Wants to use government balance sheet to sort financing problems for social housing building #slfconf



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.@nick_clegg Sounds very like Paddy used to eulogising spending on early years education to give kids best chances in life #slfconf



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.@nick_clegg Wants to dramatically simplify welfare system + always give a big financial benefit from moving into work #slfconf

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.@nick_clegg 2008 killed Lab+Con govts model of financial innovation generating tax revenues to pay for social policies #slfconf

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.@nick_clegg Need new model of regional + sector balanced growth with major new infrastructure + skills training #slfconf

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.@nick_clegg Environmental damage was the big want Beveridge did not mention #slfconf

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As at party's spring conference @nick_clegg works in significant praise for @ChrisHuhne environmental record as a minister #slfconf

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.@nick_clegg repeats the David Owen style appeal - party needs to mix economic credibility + social fairness #slfconf

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**MP** MARKPACK**Newsletter 11 is out: Liberal Democrat conference preview**

You can now read the latest edition of my email newsletter about the Liberal Democrats here, a special Birmingham Lib Dem conference prev...

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.@nick_clegg attacks impact of inflation on poorest. Obv not won over by Nick Crafts/CentreForum argument for higher inflation #slfconf



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Three cheers for
inflation?

Three cheers for inflation?

Economist and economic historian Nicholas Crafts is back in the public eye with a new pamphlet for CentreForum. Those with long memories ...



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.@nick_clegg Gove idea on O Level / 2 tier return is potty but are some areas exam reform should be considered #slfconf



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.@nick_clegg ends speech with appeal to knock on doors - "we are a campaigning party or we are nothing" #slfconf



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Heard Clegg's policy speech, now off to do a campaign briefing in Sutton #BalancedPolitics
4sq.com/Oo7SBZZ



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