Tuesday 11 June

11am – 12.30pm
Film: Unsung Hero - The Jack Jones Story Pavilion Theatre (Ground Floor)
Introduced by Bill Moores, Chair, National Pensioners’ Education and Welfare Centre
A documentary about the NPC’s founder. Jack took on four of the great evils of modern times: poverty, fascism, worker exploitation and pensioner poverty - and took them on with so much conviction that at one point, the public voted him the most powerful man in Britain.

1pm assemble for 1.15pm
March to the Winter Gardens from Adelaide Street West (back of Blackpool Tower)

2-4pm
- Official opening of the NPC Pensioners’ Parliament, Pavilion Theatre by Cllr Fred Jackson
- Rally chaired by Ron Douglas (President, NPC) with the following speakers:
  - Gillian Kelly Environmental Campaigner
  - Professor Adrian Favell University of Leeds
  - Zita Holbourne Vice President, PCS
  - Dave Ward General Secretary, CWU
  - Jan Shortt General Secretary, NPC

4.15-5.30pm
- **Film: Pensioners United** Pavilion Theatre (Ground Floor)
  Hosted by the Merseyside Pensioners Association
- **Fringe Meeting: Justice for Windrush** Derham Lounge (Ground Floor)
  Speaker: Zita Holbourne PCS Vice President. Hosted by PCS Association of Retired Members

Wednesday 12 June

Morning sessions 10am-12noon
- Housing: older people and fuel poverty (Pavilion Theatre, Ground Floor)
  Chair: Rosie Macgregor Speakers: Dr Vikki McCall (Stirling University) and Ruth London (Fuel Poverty Action Group) This session will look at the call for a housing policy that includes the needs of older people, as well as tackling the problem of fuel poverty among many pensioners.
• Tackling intergenerational unfairness (Derham Lounge, Ground Floor)
  Chair: Brian Sturtevant Speakers: Rhiannon Taylor (Cheshire Labour Party) and Neil Duncan-Jordan (NPC)
  This session will discuss the current debate surrounding intergenerational fairness.

• No Kidding? Ageing without children (Renaissance Room, First Floor)
  Speakers: Sue Lister and Ann Murray (Ageing Without Children York)
  This session will explore how it feels to be ageing without the support of any nearby children or family. The session will use extracts from the Real People Theatre show No Kidding? as a springboard for discussion.

Lunchtime Events 12.30-1.45pm
• The impact of local government cuts on women: Speaker: Anita Wright, President, National Assembly of Women hosted by the NPC Women’s Working Party (Renaissance Room, First Floor)
• Solidarity Singing Workshop: hosted by Unite the Union Glasgow RMA (Pavilion Theatre, Ground Floor)
• Walking Football with Blackpool Senior Seasiders: hosted by the Ron Todd Foundation (Arena)

Afternoon sessions 2-4pm
• How do we solve the social care crisis? (Pavilion Theatre, Ground Floor)
  Chair: Jan Shortt Speakers: George McNamara (Independent Age) and Heather Wakefield (Visiting Fellow Greenwich University)
  This session will look at the current crisis in social care and what a future Green Paper should contain.
• Why public transport is good for all (Derham Lounge, Ground Floor)
  Chair: Tony Donaghey Speakers: Pascale Robinson (We Own It) and Peter Rayner (NPC)
  This session will consider the economic and social benefits of public transport and the case for greater public ownership.
• Tackling digital exclusion (Renaissance Room, First Floor)
  Chair: Norman Jemison Speaker: Derek Walker (Wales Co-operative Centre)
  This session will look at the challenges facing older people who find they are digitally excluded from society and what can be done to tackle the problem.

Evening Social, Empress Ballroom, 7-11.30pm
  Bill Barrow Band
  Abba Tribute Act
  Disco

Thursday 13 June
Closing session 10am-12noon Panel Discussion and Q&A (Pavilion Theatre, Ground Floor)
• Jan Short: NPC General Secretary
• Eddie Lynch: Commissioner for Older People for N Ireland
• Emma Lewell-Buck: MP for South Shields

Close of Pensioners’ Parliament 2019
  Keep right on to the end of the road
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  Tho’ the way be long, let your heart be strong
  Keep right on to the end
  Tho’ you’re tired and weary still journey on,
  Till you come to your happy abode
  Where all you love, you’ve been dreaming of
  Will be there, at the end of the road

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