

When will Labour learn that it can never out Reform Ref...

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The [Guardian](#) has this headline this morning:

Blue Labour group urges ministers to 'root out DEI' to win over Reform voters

Faction influencing No 10 says government should legislate against DEI in hiring, sentencing and 'wherever else'

The story begins by saying:

The Labour faction influencing Downing Street's pitch to Reform UK voters has urged ministers to "root out DEI".

*An article from the Blue Labour campaign group, titled *What is to be Done*, calls for the government to legislate against diversity, equity and inclusion, echoing the rightwing backlash from Donald Trump and Nigel Farage.*

Once upon a time, from 1918 until Blair came along, the purpose of Labour was defined by Clause 4 of its constitution, [which said during that period](#):

To secure for the workers by hand or by brain the full fruits of their industry and the most equitable distribution thereof that may be possible upon the basis of the common ownership of the means of production, distribution and exchange, and the best obtainable system of popular administration and control of each industry or service.

I do not think that was realistic, or even desirable, as I am committed to a mixed economy, but equity was right there in the middle of this.

Blair changed this to:

The Labour Party is a democratic socialist party. It believes that by the strength of our common endeavour we achieve more than we achieve alone, so as to create for each of

us the means to realise our true potential and for all of us a community in which power, wealth and opportunity are in the hands of the many, not the few, where the rights we enjoy reflect the duties we owe, and where we live together, freely, in a spirit of solidarity, tolerance and respect.

If anyone can reconcile that with a policy that is opposed to diversity, equity and inclusion, I cannot. What Blue Labour is proposing is the promotion of intolerance, abuse and exclusion, leading to exploitation.

I am sure Starmer will lap up all they have to say, like the good puppy that he is.

When will they learn that Labour will never outdo Reform, and what they need is a philosophy of their own?